

Malvern Hills District Local Plan

List of Local Plan policies to be saved beyond July 2009

Policy Ref	Policy name/purpose	Use of policies July 2006- Dec 2008	Request to save policy beyond July 2008 Yes/No	How policy meets PPS12 para 9.2 criteria	Other reason for saving beyond 3 years	What will replace saved policy
Development Strategy						
DS1	The Location of Development Key policy giving policy guidance on settlement pattern	Sometimes	yes	Central to our location strategy -will be replaced by Core strategy, but required till then.		Core Strategy
DS3	Generic Development Requirements Site specific criteria that we will assess in development applications	Frequent	Yes	It relates to all areas of the District where significant change or conservation issues will arise	Policy well used- although some parts of it covered in PPS's, policy is more site specific and flags up all areas relating to development that applicants should address. No replacement DPD is envisaged	None
DS4	Meeting the Strategic Housing Requirement	Sometimes	Yes	Still relevant and relates to other Local	Is relevant until RSS housing	Core Strategy

	Explains Structure Plan housing requirement to 2011 that still forms part of 5-year land supply			Plan policies (DS5 & DS6) central to strategy that distribute housing requirement	targets for Districts adopted, therefore retain till then	
DS5	Housing Sites within the Malvern Urban Area Site allocations	Sometimes	Yes	Central to Local plan location strategy	Allocated housing sites, so relevant until all are implemented	Site Specific Allocations DPD
DS7	North Site Major housing allocation and guiding policy	Seldom following grant of Outline Planning permission and legal agreements secured.	Yes	Relates to the largest Housing allocation- still being implemented therefore central to location strategy	Linked to Development brief adopted in 2004 –	Site Specific Allocations DPD
DS8	The Strategic Employment Land Requirement Explains Structure Plan employment requirement that is still relevant	Sometimes	Yes	Still relevant and relates to other Local Plan policies (DS9 & DS10) central to strategy that distribute employment requirement	Is relevant until RSS housing targets for Districts adopted, therefore retain till then	Core Strategy
DS9	Meeting the Strategic Employment Land Requirement Site allocations	Sometimes	Yes	Central to Local plan location strategy and relates to Local plan policy DS8	Allocated sites, so relevant until all are implemented	Core Strategy
DS10	Development Associated with the A38 Technology Belt Site allocations	Sometimes	Yes	Related to sites within CTB therefore Central to strategy/ Economic development	Site specific re allocations	Site Specific Allocations DPD
DS11	Rural Settlements Defines settlement hierarchy	Frequent	Yes	Relates directly to location strategy	Relates to specific settlement hierarchy that will	Core Strategy

					need retaining until Core Strategy replaces	
DS12	Housing in Category 1 - 4 Settlements Key policy for assessing applications in these settlements	Frequent	Yes	Relates directly to location strategy	Relates to above policy	Core Strategy
DS13	Employment Development within or immediately adjacent to Rural Settlements Key policy for assessing applications in relation to settlement hierarchy	Frequent	Yes	Relates directly to central location strategy	Relates to specific settlement hierarchy that will need retaining until Core Strategy replaces	Core Strategy
DS14	Housing Development in the Open Countryside Key policy for assessing housing in relation to settlement boundaries	Frequent	Yes	Relates directly to central location strategy	Covered partly by PPS7 paras 8-11, but refers to settlement boundary more specifically. Will be replaced by Core Strategy	Core Strategy
DS15	Employment Development in Category 3 Settlements and Open Countryside Key policy for assessing employ apps against settlement hierarchy	Frequent	Yes	Relates directly to central location strategy	Related to specific settlement hierarchy	Core Strategy
DS17	Significant Gaps Areas protected from	Sometimes	Yes	Important re location strategy and relates to	Retain until Core Strategy adopted	Core Strategy

	inappropriate development in the rural areas			proposals map designations		
DS18	Planning Obligations Policy for securing planning obligations to mitigate the effect of development	Sometimes	Yes	Supports the delivery of infrastructure related to housing	Will be covered by Core Strategy and PPS's/ circulars- but SPD is related so needs to be retained	Core Strategy and updated Developer Contributions SPD
Economic Prosperity policies						
EP1	Protection of Existing Employment Land and Uses Key policy guidance safeguarding employment sites	Sometimes	Yes	Important to economic development strategy	Retain until replaced by Core Strategy adopted	Core Strategy
EP2	The Redevelopment or Expansion of Employment Sites and Buildings Key policy on applications on employment sites	Sometimes	Yes	Important to economic development strategy	Retain until replaced by Core Strategy policies	Core Strategy
EP6	The Re-use of Rural Buildings Key guidance re applications on rural buildings	Frequent	Yes	Very relevant to development in a largely rural district, subject to many development pressures.	Adds more detail than PPS7 and related to existing SPD	None
EP7	Farm Diversification Guidance on applications for farm diversification	Sometimes	Yes	Important to economic development strategy	Expands on PPS7 paras 30 & 31 and is more	None

	proposals				site specific for dev control purposes.	
EP8	Agricultural and Forestry Development Guidance on agric/ forestry development that requires planning permission	Frequent	Yes	Relevant to development in a largely rural district, subject to many development pressures.	Covered in principle by Local plan policy DS3 and PPS7 but a) and b) is additional and useful as relates to function.	None
EP9	Town and District Centres Key policy for development and land uses permitted in centres.	Frequent	Yes	Related to specific centres in the District that are subject to development pressures	Locally relevant, more detailed and specific than PPS6	Core Strategy
EP10	Primary and Secondary Shopping Frontages Designation of frontages and policy associated.	Frequent	Yes	Related to specific centres in the District that are subject to development pressures	Locally specific to centres within the District	Site Allocations DPD
EP12	Upper Floors in Town Centres	Sometimes	Yes	Important re economic development and regeneration	Covered by PPS6 para 2.21 in part but b) is additional re protection of upper floor uses.	None
EP13	Garden Centres and Farm Shops Collective policy for garden centre and shops	Seldom	Yes	Related to specific pressures in a largely rural District	Partly covered by PPS6 (re affecting viability), PPS7 para 30 & 31, DS3 (design landscape) - and	None

					QL24 and Structure Plan policy D36 but is more specific in relation to acceptable sites.	
EP14	Visitor Accommodation Criteria for assessing proposals for range of tourist/visitor accommodation	Frequent	Yes	Important re economic development strategy	More detailed than Structure Plan policy RST 16. Not covered by Planning Policy Statement- [only Good Practice Guidance 2006]	None
EP15	Static and Touring Caravans, Chalets and Camping Sites Criteria for assessing applications	Frequent	Yes	Important re tourism strategy	Retain- not covered elsewhere. Structure Plan policies not detailed enough	None
EP16	Marinas, Moorings and Unpowered Boating Facilities Criteria for assessing applications	Sometimes	Yes	Important re tourism strategy / economic development	Retain- not covered elsewhere	None
EP17	Edith Walk, Great Malvern Site allocation	Sometimes	Yes	Relevant to economic development strategy and regeneration	Retain- related to existing site allocation	Site Specific Allocations DPD
EP18	Tenbury Cattle Market/Teme Street Site allocation	Sometimes	Yes	Relevant to economic development strategy and regeneration	Retain- related to existing site allocation	Site Specific Allocations DPD

EP20	Seaford Court, (Malvern Community Hospital) Site allocation	Frequent	Yes	Allocation for community hospital- now has approved Govt funding –reflects Council’s priorities	Retain until allocation implemented	None
EP21	Three Counties Showground Relates to operation/ development of key site	Sometimes	Yes	Relevant to economic development strategy and regeneration/ tourism	Site specific allocation- Will be in Site allocations DPD	Site Specific Allocations DPD
Quality of Life policies						
QL1	Design of New Buildings and Related Development Criteria for assessing design in planning applications	Frequent	Yes	Reflects how important design considerations are for the District	Very well used- more specific than PPS1 – related to Local plan policy DS3	None
QL2	Protection and Enhancement of Greenspace in and adjacent to Malvern Criteria based policy	Frequent	Yes	Relates to specific sites in the District that are subject to development pressures	Important policy for protection of urban Greenspace	Core Strategy and Site Specific Allocations DPD
QL3	Shopfronts Criteria based policy relating to shopfront design/ conservation	Sometimes	Yes	Provides additional protection for existing shopfronts, relevant to good conservation policy/ regeneration/ economic development	Additional to DS3, QL1, and PPG15 (latter is only guidance, not policy)	None
QL4	Advertisement Signs	Sometimes	Yes	Relevant to conservation policies for the whole area	Part 1 covered by national legislation. Part 2 important to	None

					retain re conservation areas and illuminated signs	
QL5	Walls, gates, Fences or Other Means of Enclosure Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Sometimes	Yes	Particularly important with regard to conservation policy	Criteria a) and b) particularly important and additional to DS3 and QL1 and PPG15 (latter is only guidance, not policy).	None
QL6	Telecommunications Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Sometimes	Yes	Important re impact of new technology on land use, and esp regarding conservation areas.	Principles covered in PPG8 although this is only guidance, not policy.	None
QL7	New Development in Conservation Areas Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Often	Yes	Particularly important with regard to conservation policy	More specific than PPG15 and Structure plan CTC20	None
QL9	Settings of Conservation Areas Principle of protection of conservations areas in relation to development.	Often	Yes	Important with regard to conservation policy	Altho' basic principle contained in PPG15, this is only guidance, not policy	None
QL8	Demolition of Buildings in Conservation Area Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Often	Yes	Particularly important with regard to conservation policy	PPG15 only guidance whereas this is policy.	None
QL10	Alterations and	Often	Yes	Particularly important	PPG15 only	None

	Extensions to Listed Buildings Criteria based policy for assessing applications			with regard to conservation policy	guidance whereas this is policy.	
QL11	Demolition of a Listed Building	Often	Yes	Particularly important with regard to conservation policy	PPG15 only guidance whereas this is policy.	None
QL12	Alternative Uses for Listed Buildings Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Often	Yes	Particularly important with regard to conservation policy	More detailed than Structure Plan policy CTC21. PPG15 only guidance	None
QL13	New Development Affecting the Setting of listed Buildings Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Often	Yes	Particularly important with regard to conservation policy	Altho' basic principle contained in PPG15, this is only guidance, not policy	None
QL13A	Enabling Development Relating to heritage/ including buildings, landscape, archaeology, biodiversity.	Sometimes	Yes	Policy relates to conservation of heritage, including buildings, landscape, archaeology, biodiversity	English Heritage statement relates but it is only guidance whereas this is policy.	None
QL14	Scheduled Ancient Monuments and other Archaeological Sites Refers to sites of National Importance and other significance	Sometimes	Yes	Policy relates to conservation of archaeological assets.	PPG16 on Archaeology only guidance whereas this is policy	None
QL15	Historic Parks and	Sometimes	Yes	Specific to		None, but

	Gardens Policy principle of protecting historic parks and gardens			conservation of particular historic parks and gardens, which have no statutory protection		PPS15 may cover this when released.
QL16	SSSI's Criteria based policy relating to nationally designated sites	Sometimes	Yes	Covers more detail than PPS9 or Structure Plan policy CTC11- allows for impacts from beyond SSSI as well as within it.		None
QL17	Sites of Regional or Local Wildlife Importance Compliments QL6 but for local sites of importance	Sometimes	Yes	Relates to locally important wildlife sites not covered by statutory protection.		None
QL19	Protection of Wider Biodiversity Policy principle of protection for wider sites, and corridors	Often	Yes	Reflects PPS9 but widens the protection to biodiversity generally, with partic. ref to wildlife corridors. Adds to para 12 of PPS9		None
QL20	Creation of Habitats Proactive policy for creation of new habitats and developer contributions	Sometimes	Yes	Adds to PPS9 and links in developer contributions as well.		None
QL21	Landscaping	Often	Yes	Additional to Local Plan		None

	Criteria based policy to assess new development			policy DS3 in that it's specific to <u>landscaping schemes</u> as opposed to landscape generally		
QL22	Protection of Trees, Woodland and Hedgerows	Sometimes	Yes	Partly covered by other national legislation and Structure Plan CTC5 but more detail.	Reasoned Justification gives important background for developers.	None
Sustainable Transport policies						
ST1	Safeguarding Land for Transport Infrastructure Site designations	Sometimes	Yes	Site specific to safeguard future transport strategy	Safeguards specific sites	Site Allocations DPD
Community Needs policies						
CN1	Dwelling Mix Threshold and criteria for dwelling mix	Frequent	Yes	Related to local threshold and flags up local housing needs evidence	Retain until Core Strategy in place	Core Strategy
CN2	Providing Affordable Housing in New Housing Development Threshold and criteria for assessing affordable housing in applications.	Frequent	Yes	This is a specific local affordable housing threshold related to local needs.	Retain until Core Strategy in place	Core Strategy
CN3	Rural Exception Sites Criteria for assessing in relation to settlement hierarchy	Frequent	Yes	Relates exception sites to local rural settlement hierarchy	Retain as linked to settlement hierarchy	Core Strategy
CN4	Rural Workers Dwellings Criteria based policy for	Sometimes	Yes	More detailed than PPS7 and relates to		None

	assessing applications			functional requirements of landuse		
CN5	Removal of Rural Workers Occupancy Conditions Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Sometimes	Yes	Partly covered by PPS7 Annex A, but more specific, e.g. regarding RSL's		None
CN7	Sub-division of Existing Dwellings Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Frequent	Yes	Partly covered by DS3 and PPS3 but allows for smaller dwellings to be permitted in countryside		None
CN8	Replacement Dwellings in the Open Countryside Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Frequent	Yes	Quite specific- more detailed than PPS7 para 19 and PPS3		None
CN9	Extension and Alterations to Dwellings and the Erection of Outbuildings within the Domestic Curtilage Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Frequent	Yes	Relates to local circumstances- helps contain stock of small buildings		None
CN10	Dependant Relatives Accommodation Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Sometimes	Yes	Relates to policies for appropriate standards of accommodation	Not covered by other legislation	None
CN12	Provision of Public	Frequent	Yes	Specific to Local plan		Core Strategy

	Open Space Outlines adopted standards and criteria re location			thresholds/ standards for the District		
CN13	Protection of Open Space, Sport and Recreational Facilities Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Frequent	Yes	Specific to sites in the District subject to development pressures and relates to the proposals map		Site allocations DPD
CN14	Recreation, Sports and Leisure Facilities Criteria based policy for assessing applications and related to settlement hierarchy	Sometimes	Yes	Specific to District re settlement hierarchy		Site allocations DPD
CN15	Provision of New Local Shopping Facilities Criteria based policy for assessing applications	Sometimes	Yes	Partly covered by PPS6 para 2.60 but more specific and R.J. defines "small scale" in terms of the policy		Core Strategy
CN16	Provision of New Community Facilities Criteria based policy for assessing applications to ensure appropriate provision	Sometimes	Yes	Not covered by other legislation- supports community strategy	Not covered by other legislation	None
CN17	Retention of Local Facilities Criteria based policy for assessing applications to	Sometimes	Yes	Safeguards local services- not well covered by other legislation (PPS6 partly		None

	ensure retention of important local community/ retail/ service facilities			covers retail uses)		
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