

**Mansfield District Council**

**Local Development Scheme**

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## 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) is the timetable for producing the planning documents that will make up the Local Plan, when documents will be produced and when you can expect to get involved. A LDS is required under Section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011).
- 1.2 The LDS must specify:
- the local development documents which are to be development plan documents;
  - the subject matter and geographical area to which each development plan document is to relate;
  - which development plan documents (if any) are to be prepared jointly with one or more other local planning authorities;
  - any matter or area in respect of which the authority have agreed (or propose to agree) to the constitution of a joint committee;
  - the timetable for the preparation and revision of the development plan documents; and
  - such other matters as are prescribed.
- 1.3 The LDS will be published and kept up to date on the Council's website: [www.Mansfield.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.Mansfield.gov.uk/localplan)
- 1.4 Following changes in Legislation in 2011 and 2012 (through the Localism Act 2011 and new Town and Country (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012), there is no longer a requirement for local planning authorities to specify the timetables for producing other planning documents such as Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD's), the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) in the LDS. However, the Council is aware that this is useful information that should be publicly available. Consequently, a list of those the Council is proposing to prepare and review is included in this document.

## 2.0 The Current Development Plan

- 2.1 The “Development Plan” comprises one or more “adopted “development plan documents”. Planning applications have to be decided in line with the relevant local planning authority’s (LPA) development plan, unless there is a very good reason (material consideration) not to do so.
- 2.2 The statutory development plan for Mansfield is currently comprised of the following:

### **1- Saved Polices of the adopted Mansfield District Local Plan 2008**

As a result of a direction issued by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, from 21 September 2007. The majority of policies in the adopted Local Plan 2008 continue to have effect - these are called saved policies. The planning system allows the Council to ‘save’ existing policies until they are replaced by policies in the Local Plan (although they will continue to have full effect until the Local Plan is formally adopted by the council as the new development plan).

The list of saved policies can be viewed at:

[http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/localplan1998#Saved\\_policies](http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/localplan1998#Saved_policies)

### **2- Nottingham County Council Minerals and Waste Local Plans and saved policies**

#### **Saved policies in the adopted Waste Local Plan January 2002**

Policies in the Waste Local Plan could only be saved beyond 27 September 2007 if directed by the Secretary of State. Following submissions by the County and City Councils the Secretary of State directed that all Waste Local Plan policies be saved until replaced by new adopted policies, with the following three exceptions:

- W2.1 - Hierarchy of Waste Management Options
- W3.2 - Planning Obligations
- W3.24 - Protected Species

The original Waste Local Plan was adopted in January 2002. It is being progressively replaced by the Replacement Waste Local Plan, which is being prepared in two parts; the Waste Core Strategy and the Waste Sites and Policies Document.

#### **Waste Core Strategy-adopted December 2013**

A number of policies have now been replaced following the adoption of the Waste Core Strategy in December 2013. Details are set out in Appendix 1 of the Waste Core Strategy: [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/waste-development-plan/part-1-waste-core-strategy](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/waste-development-plan/part-1-waste-core-strategy)

### **Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan -adopted Dec 2005**

The plan is currently in the process of being replaced by the new Minerals Local Plan.

Policies in the Minerals Local Plan could only be saved beyond 4 December 2008 if directed by the Secretary of State. Following a submission by the County Council, the Secretary of State directed that all Minerals Local Plan policies be saved until replaced by new adopted policies, with a number of exceptions including:

- M3.2 Planning Obligations
- M3.21 Protected Species

## **3.0 Emerging development plan documents**

- 3.1 Work is currently underway on preparing a number of new development plan documents which will form part of the statutory “Development Plan” for the Mansfield District as follows:

### **A-Mineral and waste Local Plans**

Nottinghamshire County Council are responsible for preparing development plan documents covering minerals and waste. The County Council is responsible for preparing a separate local development scheme setting out details for the preparation of Minerals and Waste Local Plans which can be viewed at: <http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/minerals-and-waste-planning-policy/minerals-and-waste-development-scheme>

## B-The Mansfield Local Plan 2033

This is the key development plan document for the district

### Scope and content

<b>Mansfield Local Plan 2033</b>	
<b>Overview</b>	
Scope and content	<p>The Local Plan will establish the vision and strategic objectives for the development of Mansfield up to 2033 and a spatial strategy setting out how development will be accommodated across the district.</p> <p>The Local Plan will identify the issues to be addressed and a vision to deliver sustainable housing and employment growth in the district up to 2033. It will set out objectives and explain how key policies will be delivered and monitored.</p> <p>The Local Plan will identify key housing and employment land allocations required to meet the District's objectively assessed needs. It will set out the areas of Mansfield that need protection, including valuable open spaces, areas with high environmental quality and historic value. It will identify the infrastructure needed to make sure that any new developments are sustainable.</p> <p>The Local Plan will contain a policies map of the district showing where land has been identified for different uses such as housing, employment and open space. Planning policies will also be set out to make sure that development which comes forward will be sustainable. The Local Plan, once it has been adopted, will form part of the statutory Development Plan covering Mansfield, which is the basis for all planning decisions.</p>
Geographical	District wide
Chain of conformity	National Planning Policy Framework

**Mansfield Local Plan 2031 timetable**

	<b>Stage</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Progress/ Status</b>
1	Consultation on Local Plan Scoping Report	Summer 2015	<b>Completed</b>  Consultation statement can be viewed here: <a href="http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=8113&amp;p=0">http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=8113&amp;p=0</a>
2	Evidence gathering	Ongoing until early summer 2017	During 2016 and early 2017, we are updating evidence to support the Local Plan. You can view our current evidence here <a href="http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/article/7920/Evidence-to-support-the-Local-Plan">http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/article/7920/Evidence-to-support-the-Local-Plan</a>  See also 5
3	Duty to cooperate	Ongoing	We are engaging our strategic partners including adjoining authorities, and infrastructure providers throughout the development of the Local Plan <a href="http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/planningconsultation">http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/planningconsultation</a>
4	Local Plan Consultation Draft	Spring 2016	<b>Completed</b>  In spring 2016 you were asked for your views on the consultation draft plan over a 6 week formal consultation period. Full details of the consultation opportunities and events were on our web site at: <a href="http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/localplan">http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/localplan</a>
4a		Summer 2016	<b>Completed</b>  In summer 2016 we undertook a further consultation on the local plan and supporting evidence to ensure conformity with the adopted Statement of Community Involvement
5	Considering comments on the Local Plan Consultation Draft	Summer 2016/ to Late 2016	<b>Completed</b>  We reviewed and considered all comments received during stage 4, 4a.  A summary of the representations received and the Council's response will be published on the Council's web site accompanying the consultation on the Preferred Options consultation.

	Stage	Period	Progress/ Status
6	Preparation of the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment	Autumn 2016 – Spring 2017	<p><b>Completed</b></p> <p>Based on the responses received we have carried out Housing and Employment Land Availability Assessment (HELAA) to identify future sources of land to help meet development needs.</p> <p>The HELAA will be updated and published annually and can be viewed at:  <a href="http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/HELAA">http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/HELAA</a></p>
7	Update to evidence to support the Local Plan	Autumn 2016- Ongoing	<p>Based on responses we received to the consultation draft Local Plan and government guidance we commissioned further studies to inform the preparation of the Local Plan including the Employment Land Review, Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Show People Needs Assessment, Retail Study and Mansfield Central Area Flood Risk Review.</p> <p>The website will be kept up to date with evidence as it is updated.  <a href="http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/article/7920/Evidence-to-support-the-Local-Plan">http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/article/7920/Evidence-to-support-the-Local-Plan</a></p>
8	Consultation on the results of the Housing Economic Land Availability Assessment “Preferred Options” Consultation	Autumn 2017	<p>We will ask for your views on the Preferred Options, over a 6 week period. The website will be updated with details of the consultation  <a href="http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/planningconsultation">http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/planningconsultation</a></p>
9	Considering comments on the Local Plan “Preferred Options Consultation”	Winter 2017 – Early 2018	<p>We will review the comments received to the Local Plan Preferred Options Consultation. These comments will be used to revise/update the Local Plan.</p> <p>A summary of the representations received and the Council’s response will be published on the Council’s web site accompanying the consultation on the draft Publication Local Plan consultation.</p>

	Stage	Period	Progress/ Status
10	Update Evidence to reflect the outcome of the Preferred Options Consultation	Early 2018	The transport study, sustainability appraisal, habitats regulation assessment, infrastructure delivery plan and viability study will be updated to reflect the outcome of the Preferred Options Consultation.
9	Consultation on the Draft Local Plan ("Publication" version).	Spring 2018	We will ask for your views on whether the Local Plan meets the government's tests of soundness, over a 6 week period. Comments received will be provided to the Inspector when the Local Plan is submitted for examination.
8	Submission Local Plan	Summer 2018	We will be submitting the Local Plan to the Secretary of State to be examined by an Independent Inspector

### C-Warsop Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan

Since April 2012, local communities have been able to produce Neighbourhood Plans for their local areas, putting in place planning policies for the future development and growth of the neighbourhood. Similar to a local plan, it can contain a vision, aims, planning policies, proposals for improving an area or providing new facilities, or allocation of key sites for specific kinds of development. A neighbourhood plan will be subject to examination and referendum. Where they are brought into force, they will form part of the development plan. This statutory status gives neighbourhood plans more weight than other community documents such as parish plans, community plans and village design statements.

Currently there is one Neighbourhood Development Plan under preparation in the District. The Warsop Parish NDP is being prepared by Warsop Parish Council.

<b>Warsop Neighbourhood Development Plan 2016-2033</b>	
<b>Overview</b>	
Scope and content	The Warsop NDP is being prepared by Warsop parish Council and will set out relevant planning policies for the Parish.
Geographical	Warsop Parish
Chain of conformity	National Planning Policy Framework, Mansfield Local Plan/ Saved Policies.

### Warsop NDP timetable

There is no requirement to publish a timetable for preparing the NDP. Further information can be found at: <http://www.warsopparishcouncil.co.uk/>

## 4.0 Other Planning Policy Documents

- 4.1 In addition to the Local Plan the council is also preparing other planning policy documents which will supplement the policies and assist the delivery of the Local Plan:

**Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD's):** These documents provide further guidance and information relating to one or more specific policies or proposals set out in the Local Plan. Although they are not part of the statutory development plan they will be a material consideration in considering relevant planning proposals.

- 4.2 Whilst the LDS is not required to programme the preparation of SPDs the Council considers it important to set out its current intentions as set out below:

### Current proposed SPDs

Document	Period	Purposes
Draft Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document	Ongoing	This document will provide detailed information on planning obligations required under particular Local Plan policies, including affordable housing and open space
Draft Parking Standards Supplementary Planning Document	Ongoing	This document will set out the proposed car/ bicycle and HGV, parking standards to be met in new residential and commercial developments
Draft Green Infrastructure and Biodiversity Supplementary Planning Document	Ongoing	This document will guide the implementation of environmental policies related to green infrastructure and biodiversity.

- 4.3 The Council also produces the following documents which do not contain planning policies but which national planning policy and legislation requires the council to produce:
- 4.4 Statement of Community Involvement (August 2017) –The purpose of the document is to set out how we will work with local communities and stakeholders to develop planning policy documents such as the Mansfield Local Plan or guidance on specific issues.
- 4.5 You can view the SCI on the Council's website:  
<http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/planningconsultation>

- 4.6 The Council may update the Statement of Community Involvement from time, and will undertake consultation on a draft document before adoption.
- 4.7 Annual Monitoring Reports – The Council produces a number of annual monitoring reports covering a Housing, employment and retail. See [http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/planningpolicy\\_info](http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/planningpolicy_info)

## 5.0 Monitoring and Review

- 5.1 This LDS will be reviewed and updated regularly to maintain a flexible and realistic timetable for document production, ensuring that production programmes are aligned with resources. Updates will be published on the Mansfield Council website and progress on delivery of plans will be tracked through the Annual Monitoring Reports. To check for the latest update to the LDS at any time and key updates to specific stages in the preparation of the Local Plan visit the council's website: <http://www.mansfield.gov.uk/NLP>

## 6.0 Potential Risks to Local Plan Programme

### Internal Resources

- 6.1 Ensuring an adequate budget to retain and recruit staff and pay for consultants to complete specialist aspects of evidence gathering is a key risk in meeting the timetable of the LDS. This risk can be partly managed through the consideration of seconding staff from elsewhere within the Council to support the Policy Team when appropriate, and ensuring the correct skills are developed in house and budgets are kept under review as work progresses on the Local Plan.
- 6.2 The remit of the Policy Team dealing with the Local Plan. The work, and staffing in the team, both in terms of number of staff and expertise, will be monitored carefully to ensure that the work programme remains realistic and achievable.

### Soundness / Legal Challenge

- 6.3 Unexpected and untimely changes in Government guidance or the interpretation of legislation by practitioners and PINS, usually demonstrated through other Examinations and sources is a key risk to the adoption of a Local Plan. To mitigate this risk, PINS will continue to be kept informed of Mansfield's progress with its emerging Local Plan so that they can alert the Council to any concerns regarding its soundness. In this context the Council will seek an advisory visit by PINS prior to the publication of the Draft Local Plan (publication Version). In addition, decisions issued by PINS and commentary within the industry and government will be monitored to ensure soundness is maintained.

## 7.0 Further information

7.1 If you want to find out more, please contact us

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