

# **Warwick District Council**

## Local Development Scheme November 2019

## What is a Local Development Scheme?

- 1.1 This Local Development Scheme (LDS) has been prepared to give the local community and all interested parties information on:
- the **current planning policies** that are being used for deciding applications within Warwick District; and,
  - the **programme for reviewing these policies**.
- 1.2 The Council is required to produce a LDS under the terms of the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The LDS is a three-year programme of work and is reviewed regularly.
- 1.3 The Government is committed to seeing LDS's implemented and in particular to ensure the milestones set out are achieved. The Council will ensure that these targets are met through good project management and annual monitoring.

## Warwick District's Local Development Scheme

- 1.4 Development Services within the Council has prepared this LDS. The overall project manager is the Head of Development Services. Day to day management of the LDS will be by Business Manager, Policy & Delivery. In producing this LDS, the Council is committed to the following:
- **to make the LDS as clear as possible to understand; and,**
  - **to publish the LDS on the Council's web site.**
- 1.5 There are a number of commitments within the Local Plan (2011-2029) to review and/or update a variety of Development Planning Documents (DPD) and Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD), and these are detailed in Appendix 1. These commitments are due over the life of the Plan, and therefore the LDS needs to prioritise which to bring forward first, along with bringing forward documents that arise through other need. The following documents have been produced since the adoption of the Local Plan.

| Title                                    | Details   | Target               | Delivery             |
|--|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| Residential Design Guide SPD             | Sets out design standards for residential developments of all sizes throughout the District (note that this may be supplemented by major site-specific design guidance) | Adoption Q3 2018     | Adopted Q3 2018      |
| Parking Standards SPD                    | Sets out parking standards for residential, commercial and other developments   | Adoption Q3 2018     | Adopted Q3 2018      |
| Air Quality SPD                          | A sub-regionally produced SPD that will set out the requirements with relation to Air Quality issues  | Adoption Q4 2018     | Adopted Q1 2019      |
| East of Kenilworth Development Brief SPD | Site-specific development guidance for the major housing site allocations on the East of Kenilworth   | Consultation Q4 2018 | Adopted Q1 2019      |
| Purpose Built Student Accommodation SPD  | Sets out the relevant policies for the development of purpose built student   | Consultation Q4 2018 | Consultation Q1 2019 |

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|---------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|
|                           | accommodation in the District  |                      |                 |
| Public Open Space SPD     | Sets out the requirements for the provision of public open space within developments   | Consultation Q4 2018 | Adopted Q2 2019 |
| Custom and Self-build SPD | Sets out guidance for the provision of self build and custom build plots and how the authority intends to ensure the meeting of the required volume of plots | Consultation Q4 2018 | Adopted Q2 2019 |

The priorities over the next 3 years (i.e.2019-2021) are:

| <b>Title</b>                                 | <b>Details</b>  | <b>Delivery</b>      |
|--|---|----------------------|
| Canalside DPD                                | Identify areas for regeneration and areas for protection and to set out a framework for development, working in harmony with the adopted Canal Conservation Area  | Consultation Q4 2019 |
| Leamington Town Centre Area Action Plan      | Sets out the planning framework for Leamington Town Centre including identifying areas for changes of use where appropriate. (It should be noted that Leamington Town Council are advanced in the process of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan and that this may render the production of an AAP unnecessary. Furthermore, the Council has received funding from the Government's Future High Street Fund, which may lead to significant projects in Leamington Centre, the nature of which is not yet known. It is expected that one or both of these will be clearer in time for the March 2020 LDS revision, hence the unknown date of delivery for the AAP.) | tbc                  |
| Affordable Housing SPD                       | Details the requirements to meet the affordable housing needs, including housing and tenancy mixes  | Adoption Q1 2020     |
| Development Contributions SPD                | Guidance that sets out developer contributions, including model Section 106 agreements  | Adoption Q1 2020     |
| Climate Change and Sustainable Buildings SPD | Sets out further detail on suitable adaption methods in order to plan for climate change  | Adoption Q4 2020     |
| Health Impacts SPD                           | Sets out the requirements needed to ensure that the health impacts of developments are suitably and effectively mitigated   | Adoption Q3 2020     |
| Gypsy & Traveller Site Allocation DPD        | Identifies sites to provide for housing needs of Gypsy and Traveller Community  | Adoption Q4 2021     |

The anticipated delivery plan for each of these priorities can be found at the end of this document

## Existing Plans

- 2.1 This section provides an overview of the planning documents that cover Warwick District at the present time, including those prepared by other planning authorities.

## Adopted Plans

- 2.2 The Warwick District Local Plan 2011-2029 was adopted by Warwick District Council in 2017 and is the principle document guiding planning decisions in the District.
- 2.3 Policy DS19 of the Local Plan commits the Council to “a comprehensive review of national policy, the regional context, updates to the evidence base and monitoring data before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 to assess whether a full or partial review of the Plan is required”. Therefore, the review work is programmed into the following work schedule, although the conclusion of that work cannot yet be predicted.
- 2.4 Warwickshire County Council is responsible for producing minerals and waste plans. These are specific topic-based Development Plan Documents (DPD) that relate to minerals extraction and dealing with waste development including the use of land for landfill and incineration. More information about these can be found at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/mwds>.

## Neighbourhood Plans

- 2.4 Neighbourhood Plans are brought forward by local Qualifying Bodies, often Town and Parish Councils. These Plans add further local emphasis to the strategic policies of the adopted Local Plan. Following an independent Examination, Neighbourhood Plans undergo a local referendum to gauge public support. If supported the plan is ‘made’ and is used alongside the Local Plan and other relevant DPD/SPDs in determining planning applications. An up-to-date record of ‘made’ Neighbourhood Plans is maintained on our website [[weblink](#)].

## Authority’s Monitoring Report (AMR)

- 2.5 The Council is required to monitor both the implementation of the LDS and the extent to which its planning policies are being implemented. For the purposes of this report, the policies of the adopted Warwick District Local Plan (2011-2029) are monitored.
- 2.6 It should be noted that the AMR is not a Local Development Document (LDD) and therefore is not included within the following workplans. The AMR will, however, be included within the LDF and be published on our website.

## Political Management of the Local Development Framework

- 2.7 The Council’s decision making arrangements are as follows.

| <b>Document</b>                       | <b>To include</b>   | <b>To be approved by</b>                              |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| All Development Planning Documents    | Local Plan and all other DPDs that are subject to full public examination as required by the Act.         | Full Council following a recommendation by Executive. |
| Statement of Community Involvement    |   | Executive   |
| Local Development Scheme              |   | Executive   |
| Supplementary Planning Documents      | Supplementary guidance, development briefs and other documents identified in this and future LDSs as SPD. | Executive   |
| Annual Monitoring Report              |   | Published on website                                  |
| Custom and Self-build Progress Report |   | Published on website                                  |

## Contact details

2.8 For more information about any of the matters raised in this Local Development Scheme please contact:-

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2.9 This document, together with all other Local Development Documents produced by Warwick District Council will be made available on the [Council's website](#).

## Local Development Document commitments

The commitments made within the Local Plan 2011-2029 form the basis of this table, with additional documents added as such requirements develop.

| Document Title                                       | Status | Role and contents   | Coverage  | Proposed Timetable       |
|--|--------|---|---|--------------------------|
| <b>1. Leamington Town Centre Area Action Plan</b>    | DPD    | Sets out the planning framework for Leamington Town Centre including identifying areas for changes of use where appropriate   | Leamington Town Centre                              | tbc                      |
| <b>2. Canalside Development Plan</b>                 | DPD    | Identify areas for regeneration and areas for protection and to set out a framework for development   | The District's canal network and immediate environs | Adoption – Q3 2020       |
| <b>3. Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocation Plan</b>   | DPD    | Identifies sites to provide for housing needs of Gypsy and Traveller Community  | District-wide                                       | Adoption – Q4 2021       |
| <b>4. Climate Change and Sustainable Buildings</b>   | DPD    | Sets out additional policy and requirements in relation to climate change mitigation and the development of sustainable buildings                                       | District-wide                                       | Adoption – Q4 2020       |
| <b>5. Purpose Build Student Accommodation</b>        | DPD    | Sets out the relevant policies for the development of purpose built student accommodation in the District   | District-wide                                       | Adoption – Q2 2022       |
| <b>6. Parking Standards</b>                          | SPD    | Sets out parking standards for residential, commercial and other developments   | District-wide                                       | <b>Adopted – Q3 2018</b> |
| <b>7. Residential Design Guide</b>                   | SPD    | Sets out design standards for residential developments of all sizes throughout the District (note that this may be supplemented by major site-specific design guidance) | District-wide                                       | <b>Adopted – Q3 2018</b> |
| <b>8. Affordable Housing</b>                         | SPD    | Details the requirements to meet the affordable housing needs, including housing and tenancy mixes  | District-wide                                       | Adoption – Q1 2020       |
| <b>9. Public Open Space</b>                          | SPD    | Sets out the requirements for the provision of public open space within developments  | District-wide                                       | <b>Adopted – Q2 2019</b> |
| <b>10. Health Impacts</b>                            | SPD    | Sets out the requirements needed to ensure that the health impacts of developments are suitably and effectively mitigated   | District-wide                                       | Adoption – Q3 2020       |
| <b>11. Custom &amp; Self-build</b>                   | SPD    | Sets out guidance for the provision of self-build and custom build plots and how the authority intends to ensure the meeting of the required volume of plots            | District-wide                                       | <b>Adopted – Q2 2019</b> |
| <b>12. East of Kenilworth Development Brief</b>      | SPD    | Site-specific development guidance for the major housing sites on the East of Kenilworth  | East of Kenilworth                                  | <b>Adopted – Q1 2019</b> |
| <b>13. Developer Contributions</b>                   | SPD    | Sets out the contributions developers are likely to need to make, along with template agreements  | District-wide                                       | Adoption – Q1 2020       |
| <b>14. Air Quality (Coventry &amp; Warwickshire)</b> | SPD    | Joint-working SPD covering the sub-region that will set out the requirements relating to Air Quality  | District-wide                                       | <b>Adopted – Q1 2019</b> |

# Delivery Plan

| Year   | 2019 |   |   |   | 2020 |   |   |   | 2021 |   |   |   |
|--|------|---|---|---|------|---|---|---|------|---|---|---|
| Quarter                                      | 1    | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1    | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1    | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Canalside DPD                                |      |   |   | C | S    |   | A |   |      |   |   |   |
| Purpose Built Student Accommodation DPD      |      |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |      |   | C |   |
| Climate Change and Sustainable Buildings DPD |      |   |   |   | C    | S |   | A |      |   |   |   |
| Affordable Housing SPD                       |      |   |   | C | A    |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |
| Health Impacts SPD                           |      |   |   |   |      | C | A |   |      |   |   |   |
| Developer Design Guidance                    |      |   |   | A |      |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |
| Developer Contributions SPD                  |      |   |   | C | A    |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |
| Gypsy & Traveller DPD                        |      |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |      |   | C |   |
| Local Plan evidence base Review              |      |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |

## Key

Quarters

1 = January – March

3 = July – September

2 = April – June

4 = October – December

Production

Publication



C = Consultation

S = Submission

A = Adoption