Schedule of amendments made to the SA Update 2017 (and included in the SA Update 2018), following the advice and recommendations provided by Land Use Consultants to Mid Devon District Council

January 2018

The modifications below are expressed either in the conventional form of strikethrough for deletions and <u>underlining</u> for additions of text, or by specifying the modification in words in italics. The page numbers and paragraph numbering below refer to the **SA Update 2017**, and do not take account of the deletion or addition of text.

Ref	Page	Paragraph	Amendment
SA1	2	Para 1	Reason: To set out the context of the SA Update 2018
			"Mid Devon District Council commissioned consultants LUC to undertake an independent review of the Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) that was prepared by Mid Devon District Council in relation to proposed modifications to the Local Plan Review. The recommendations from LUC have been applied in this Sustainability Appraisal Update. For a full account of the LUC review and MDDC responses please refer to the 'Review of Sustainability Appraisal Update for the Mid Devon Local Plan Review: Review of Legal Compliance (January 2018)' and 'Mid Devon District Council response to the Review of Sustainability Appraisal Update for the Mid Devon Local Plan Review: Review of Legal Compliance (January 2018)'."
SA2	2	Para 2	Reason: To update the context of the SA Update 2017 Amend paragraph as follows: "Theis 2017 update to the Sustainability Appraisal has been was undertaken to take into account comments made at the 2015 Proposed Submission Stage consultation and proposed modifications to the Local Plan Review. The Local Plan Review: Proposed Submission Consultation Sustainability Appraisal (2015) and Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) is are available on the website at www.middevon.gov.uk/localplanreview and the main Council office, Phoenix House, Tiverton.
SA3	2	Para 3	Reason: In response to LUC recommendation to provide additional text prior to the contents section of the update to provide a clearer explanation of work carried out during the SA Update. Add new paragraph / text and :

			"Consultation feedback from the 2015 consultation included general comments on the SA as well as specific issues related to individual policies. Responses to general comments relating to contents of the SA text, methodology and cumulative impacts are set out in Annex 1. Proposals for alternative policy options, including proposed modifications, are assessed alongside new information and comments on the scoring of the 2015 SA in Annex 2. Only proposed alternatives deemed 'reasonable alternatives' are considered as part of the SA update; for example, this excludes alternatives considered in previous iterations of the SA and where only minor amendments are proposed. A summarised re-assessment is included in Annex 2. Where there are distinct alternatives proposed, significant new information or substantial changes to the SA scoring a full appraisal is included in Annex 3, with amended SA scoring where applicable. The main body of this SA Update is accompanied by the following three annexes:"
SA4	2	Following Para 3	Reason: In response to LUC recommendation to provide a clearer explanation of work carried out during the SA Update stage of the SA at the front of the SA Update. Move references to Annexes 1, 2 and 3 to the front of the SA Update: "Annex 1 – Sustainability Appraisal text, methodology and cumulative impact comments (p.67-80) This annex sets out comments from the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission Consultation (2015) on the contents of the sustainability appraisal (SA) text, methodology and cumulative impacts. Annex 2 – Further reasonable alternatives, new information and comments on the sustainability appraisal of policies and sites (p.81-222) This annex provides a summary of additional reasonable alternatives considered and proposed changes to the sustainability appraisal for example through new information. Minor proposed changes to the Local Plan have not been assessed as these were deemed to not give rise to significant effects. Annex 3 – Additional Reasonable Alternative Appraisals (p.223-395) This annex provides the full appraisals used to assess reasonable alternatives where deemed necessary as summarised in Annex 2."
SA5	2	Following Para 3	Reason: In response to LUC recommendation to provide a summary of revised appraisal work carried out in the SA Update.

			Add paragraphs providing a summary why additional SA work was carried out in the 2017 SA Update:		
			"Summary of Sustainability Appraisal work carried out in Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017)		
			Arising from the SA Update (2017), a number of alternatives were identified through comments on the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission Consultation (2015) or new information. A number of modifications were also proposed through the SA Update. For a full account of proposed modifications to the Local Plan Review, including minor amendments not considered to give rise to reasonable alternatives, reference should be made to the Schedule of proposed modifications published in November (2016). This provides a list of proposed modifications following in the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (incorporating proposed modifications). The schedule of proposed modifications published in March (2017) provides a list of proposed modifications following the 2017 consultation on the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (incorporating proposed modifications). These documents are available on the Council's website (see paragraph 2 above). A number of comments were received at each stage of the Local Plan Review process; all representations received are available to view in full on the Mid Devon District Council website (as before). Furthermore a summary of representations received is provided for each stage of the Local Plan Review process. The 2015 and 2017 Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (February 2015) Consultation Summary Documents set out responses from Mid Devon District Council to each comment received.		
SA6	2	Following Para 3	Reason: In response to LUC recommendation to provide a summary of revised appraisal work carried out in the SA Update.		
			Add Table 1:		
			"Table 1 – summary of 2017	SA appraisal work	
			Policy	Revised SA appraisal work	
			Strategic Policies		
			S2 Amount and distribution of	Alternative(s) proposed New information	

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development	Comments on the Sustainability Appraisal
S3 Meeting housing needs	Alternative(s) proposedNew information
S4 Ensuring housing delivery	Alternative(s) proposedNew information
S5 Public open space	Alternative(s) proposed
S6 Employment	Alternative(s) proposed
S10 Tiverton	Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects
S12 Crediton	New information
S13 Villages	Alternative(s) proposed
S14 Countryside	New information
Sites	
<u>Tiverton</u>	
TIV1-TIV6 Eastern Urban Extension	 Alternative(s) proposed New information
TIV7 Town Hall/St Andrew Street	New information
TIV8 Moorhayes Park	New information
TIV12 Phoenix Lane	Alternative(s) proposed
TIV13 Tidcombe Hall	 Alternative(s) proposed New information Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
TIV14 Wynnards Mead	 Alternative(s) proposed New information
OTIV2 Hartnoll Farm	Comment on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects Alternative(s) proposed
OTIV4 Blundells School (Proposed for allocation TIV16)	 New information Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal

OTIV13 Exeter Hill	Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
OTIVNEW New site land at Seven Crosses Hill	Alternative(s) proposed
Cullompton	
CU1-CU6 North West Cullompton	 Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects Alternative(s) proposed New information Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
CU7-CU12 East Cullompton	 Alternative(s) proposed New information Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
CU13 Knowle Lane	 Comment on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
CU14 Ware Park and Footlands	 Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects New information Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
CU15 Land at Exeter Road	 Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects New information Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
CU16 Cummings Nursery	 Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
CU17 Week Farm	 Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects Alternative(s) proposed
CU18 Venn Farm	Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects Alternative(s) proposed
CU19 Town Centre Relief Road	New information
CU20 Cullompton Infrastructure	Alternative(s) proposed

OCUNEW Tiverton Road	Alternative(s) proposed
CU21 Land at Colebrook CONTINGENCY SITE	 Alternative(s) proposed Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
Crediton	
CRE1 Wellparks	New information
CRE2 Red Hill Cross, Exhibition Road	New information
CRE3 Cromwells Meadow	New information
CRE4 Woods Group, Exeter Road	New information
CRE5 Pedlerspool	 Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects Alternative(s) proposed New information Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
CRE6 Sports fields, Exhibition Road	Alternative(s) proposedNew information
CRE7 Stonewall Lane	Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects New information
CRE9 Alexandra Close	Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
CRE10 Land south of A377	Alternative(s) proposed New information
CRE11 Crediton Infrastructure	Alternative(s) proposed
Options to the West of Crediton – OCRE10 Westwood Farm and OCRE11 Land at Chapel Down Farm	Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
Junction 27	
Land at Junction 27	 Comment(s) on secondary/ cumulative/ synergistic effects Alternative(s) proposed New information Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal

Rural areas	
BA1 Newton Square, Bampton	New information
School Close, Bampton (proposed for allocation BA4)	Alternative(s) proposed
BO1 Land adjacent to Hollywell, Bow	New information
BO2, West of Godfrey's Gardens, Bow	New information
BR1 Hele Road, Bradninch	New information
CH1 Barton, Chawleigh	New information
CB1 Land off Church Lane, Cheriton Bishop	New information
CF1 Barnshill Close, Cheriton Fitzpaine	New information
CF2 Land adjacent school, Cheriton Fitzpaine	 New information Comments on the Sustainability Appraisal
OCF2 Landboat Farm, Cheriton Fitzpaine	Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
OCFNEW Bramble Orchard, Cheriton Fitzpaine	Alternative(s) proposed
HA1 Land adjacent Fishers Way, Halberton	New information
OHA1 Land at Blundells Road, Halberton	Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
OHANEW The Pethers, Halberton	Comment(s) on the Sustainability Appraisal
HE1 Depot, Hemyock	New information
NE1 Court Orchard, Newton St Cyres	New information
ONENEW New Estate Site A,	Alternative(s) proposed

			Newton St Cyres	
			ONENEW New Estate Site B, Newton St Cyres	Alternative(s) proposed
			OSP1 Higher Town, Sampford Peverell (Proposed for allocation SP2)	 Alternative(s) proposed New information
			SA1 Fanny's Lane, Sandford	New information
			SI1 Land at Old Butterleigh Road, Silverton	New information
			SI2 The Garage, Silverton	New information
			TH1 South of Broadlands, Thorverton	Alternative(s) proposed
			OTHNEW Land north east of Silver Street, Thorverton	Alternative(s) proposed
			OTHNEW Land to the west of Lynch Close and Cleaves Close, Thorverton	Alternative(s) proposed
			OUF3 Land West of Uffculme	 Alternative(s) proposed Comments on the Sustainability Appraisal
			WI1 Land east of M5, Willand	Alternative(s) proposed
			WI2 Willand Industrial Estate	Alternative(s) proposedNew information
			Development Management Policies	
			DM28 Other protected sites	Alternative(s) proposed
SA7	2	Following Para 3	Reason: In response to LUC table setting out a summary of	recommendation to provide a of reasonable alternatives.
			Add paragraph summarising considered:	
			"Summary of reasonable a	Iternatives considered
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			The following table sets out the considered through the 2017	
SA8 2		Following Para 3	Reason: In response to LUC table setting out a summary of Add Table 2: "Table 2: Summary of reason"	
			through the 2017 SA update	
			Local Plan Policy	Summary of Reasonable Alternative Options considered by SA update (2017)
			Strategic Policies	
			S2: Amount and distribution of development S3: Meeting housing needs	- Amount of housing: six alternative options for total housing numbers were considered in range 7200 – 8800 over plan period, including the Council's preferred option of 7860 Distribution of housing: rural distribution, Tiverton and Crediton focussed alternatives were considered Amount of commercial development: higher growth scenario including J27 option 35% affordable housing target Remove the requirement to provide 5% of serviced plots for self-build Alternatives for the distribution of gypsy and traveller pitches: town focussed urban extensions and rural distribution.
			S4: Ensuring housing delivery	- Delete the policy.
			S5: Public open space	- Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDs) to be considered as public open space. - The provision of open space
				should be applied to towns rather

		than parishes.
	S6: Employment	- Small scale allocations in rural locations.
		- Allocation for major tourism and leisure.
	S13: Villages	- Edge of village development.
	Site Allocations	
	TIV1-5: Eastern Urban Extension	- Range of dwellings (1580 – 1830)
	TIV12: Phoenix Lane	- Delete policy.
	TIV13: Tidcombe Hall	- Delete policy.
		- 8.4ha with 200 dwellings.
	TIV14: Wynnards Mead (Contingency site)	- Delete policy.
	OTIV2: Hartnoll Farm	- 1000 dwellings and 20,000sqm employment.
	OTIV4: Blundells School (proposed for allocation TIV16)	- Reconsider site in light of EA and HEA evidence: allocate for 200 dwellings.
	OTIVNEW: New site at Seven Crosses Hill	- 7.69ha for 184 dwellings.
	CU1-CU6: North West Cullompton	- Include education provision as part of the commercial floorspace allocation.
		- Extend site area, incorporating all 'Growen Farm' land.
	CU7-CU12: East Cullompton	- No quantum of green infrastructure and public open space should be specified.
		- Proposed land swap; 'land at Newland Persey' replaced by

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		'land at Cooke'.
		- Land at Aller Barton Farm/
		south of Honiton Road, 181ha
		<u>site.</u>
	CU15: Land at Exeter Road	- Reduce allocation to 24
		<u>dwellings.</u>
	CU17: Week Farm	- Include space for larger retail outlets.
		outions.
	CU18: Venn Farm	- Extend allocation area to 8ha.
	CU21: Land at Colebrook	- Include full site area proposed
	(Contingency Site)	at options stage: 19.3ha, 400 dwellings.
	OCUNEW: Tiverton Road	- New site proposed for up to 19 dwellings.
	CRE6: Sports fields, Exhibition	- Alternative to proposed
	Road	allocation: 2.8ha with 50 dwellings.
	CRE10: Land south of A377	- Extension of settlement limit to
		include all land within 2009 planning permission.
	CRE11: Crediton	- Include provision of works to
	Infrastructure	reduce flood risk in policy.
	J27: Land at Junction 27	- Proposed allocation of 71
		hectares between M5 Junction 27 and Willand for mixed
		commercial floorspace including
		a travel hub, agronomy visitor
		centre, outdoor adventure zone and outlet shopping village.
	School Close, Bampton (proposed for allocation BA4)	- Allocate 0.54ha site for 26
	(proposed for allocation BA4)	dwellings (site omitted in error from 2015 proposed submission)
	OCFNEW: Bramble Orchard,	- New alternative site proposed in
	Cheriton Fitzpaine	preference to current plan allocations.

			OHANEW: The Pethers	- Site put forward in preference to HA1.
			ONENEW: New Estate Site A and B, Newton St Cyres	- New site options (A &B) at Newton St Cyres
			OSP1: Higher Town, Sampford Peverell (proposed for allocation SP2)	- Option site reconsidered; proposed allocation of 6ha, 60 dwellings site.
			TH1: South of Broadlands, Thorverton	- Proposed extension of site to include allotment land; 1.15 ha, 20 dwellings
			OTHNEW: Land north east of Silver Street, Thorverton	- New land submitted for consideration.
			OTHNEW: Land to the west of Lynch Close and Cleaves Close, Thorverton	- New land submitted for consideration.
			OUF3: Land west of Uffculme, Uffculme	- 3.5 ha, 60 dwelling site considered for inclusion in plan following appeal decision (February 2016) granting outline planning permission.
			WI1: Land east of M5, Willand	- Increase area of proposed allocation; 14.8ha, 174 dwellings
			WI2: Willand Industrial Estate, Willand	- Full allocation of 9.2ha 22,000sqm of commercial floorspace
				- Allocate for residential development; 53 dwellings
			Development Management Policies	
			DM28: Other protected sites	- Include compensatory measures as part of policy
SA9	2	Following Para 3		recommendation to provide a ons that have arisen through the

			Add paragraph:	
			"The following table sets out the proposed modifications that have arisen through the 2017 SA update."	
SA10 2		Following Para 3	Reason: In response to LUC recommendation to provide a table the proposed modifications that have arisen through the SA Update (2017). Add Table 3: "Table 3: Summary of proposed modifications set out in the 2017 SA update	
			Local Plan Policy	Summary of Proposed Amendments
			Strategic Policies	
			S2: Amount and distribution of development	Total housing need over plan period increased to 7860 to meet revised need. Amount of commercial development: higher growth scenario to include Junction 27 allocation.
			S3: Meeting housing needs	Increase objectively assessed housing need to 380 per year to reflect SHMA evidence + 260 over plan period for Junction 27 allocation.
			S4: Ensuring housing delivery	Increase objectively assessed housing need (as above).
			S12: Crediton	Additional criterion for community and education facilities.
			S14: Countryside	Remove reference to new traveller sites in open countryside (in response to updated National Policy guidance).
			Site Allocations	
			TIV1-5: Eastern Urban Extension	Amend policy to give range of dwellings (1580 – 1830).
			TIV14: Wynnards Mead	Proposed for deletion.

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(Contingency site)	
OTIV4: Blundells School (proposed for allocation TIV16 Blundells School)	New Policy: New site allocation to meet need arising from J27 employment; reconsidered in light of new Environment Agency (EA) & Historic Environment Appraisal (HEA) evidence.
CU1-CU6: North West Cullompton	Contribution from development towards Town Centre Relief Road/Junction 28 and change in commercial floorspace in line with masterplan. Re-allocation of land to south west of site.
CU7-CU12: East Cullompton	Additional criterion and text in response to HEA.
CU15: Exeter Road	Reduced allocation to 24 dwellings.
CU19: Town Centre Relief Road	Additional criterion and text in response to HEA.
CU20: Cullompton Infrastructure	Additional criterion and text on works to reduce flood risk.
CRE2: Red Hill Cross	Additional supporting text to add context in response to HEA.
CRE3: Cromwells Meadow	Additional criterion and text in response to HEA.
CRE4: Woods Group, Exeter Road	Additional supporting text to add context in response to HEA.
CRE5: Pedlerspool	New primary school included in policy following representation from Devon County Council.
CRE7: Stonewall Lane	Additional supporting text to add context in response to HEA.
CRE10: Land south of A377	Extension of settlement limit to include all land included in 2009 Planning Permission. Amendments to supporting text

	have been made in response to the HEA and latest flood risk information.
CRE11: Crediton Infrastructure	Amend policy to include provision of works to reduce flood risk
J27: Land at Junction 27	New policy: Proposed allocation of 71 ha between M5 Junction 27 and Willand for mixed commercial floorspace, including a travel hub, agronomy visitor centre, outdoor adventure zone and outlet shopping village.
School Close, Bampton (proposed for allocation BA4)	New Policy: 0.54 ha site, 26 dwellings. Site omitted in error from 2015 proposed submission, now included and fully appraised as part of SA.
CH1: Barton, Chawleigh	Additional criterion and text in response to HEA.
CF1: Barnshill Close, Cheriton Fitzpaine	Additional text proposed in response to HEA.
HA1: Land Adjacent Fishers Way, Halberton	Delete reference to archaeological investigation/mitigation following new information from Devon County Archaeology service.
HE1: Depot, Hemyock	Site now won't be available in near future: removed from plan as no longer reasonable alternative.
NE1: Court Orchard, Newton St Cyres	Additional criterion and text in response to HEA.
OSP1: Higher Town, Sampford Peverell (proposed for allocation SP2)	New Policy: 6 ha, 60 dwelling site included in options consultation and 2015 SA; re-considered to meet increased housing need due to J27 employment opportunities, now included as

				proposed modification.
			OUF3: Land west of Uffculme, Uffculme	3.5 ha, 60 dwelling site included as proposed modification following appeal decision February 2016 granting outline planning permission.
			WI2: Willand Industrial Estate, Willand	Proposed to allocate full site area; 9.2 ha site for 22,000
				square metres commercial floorspace.
			Development Management Policies	
			DM28: Other protected sites	In response to Environment Agency comments, proposed policy amendment allows for consideration of compensatory measures where mitigation measures are not possible.
SA11	2	Following Para 3	Environmental Appraisal (SE clarity. Add the following paragraphs the Strategic Environmental Regulations: "Compliance with the Strate Assessment Directive and The Council has a duty to complans through the Planning and 2004 (as amended). It also he Environmental Appraisal (SE contained in the Environmental Programmes Regulations 200 requirements of both pieces of the Sustainability Appraisal (Se following Government guidant The SA is an iterative, ongoing the SA is an iterative.	now the SA has met the Strategic A) Directive requirements for s explaining the compliance with Assessment Directive and segic Environmental Regulations nsider the sustainability of its and Compulsory Purchase Act as to prepare a Strategic A) as a result of requirements tal Assessment of Plans and 04. It is believed that the of legislation have been met by SA), which has been prepared nce. ng process and integral to plan
			making. During the process of	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

			Report and SA Scoping Report, in January 2014 on the Options Report and SA Interim Report, in February 2015 on the Proposed Submission document and the SA Proposed Submission Report and in January 2017 on the Proposed Submission (incorporating proposed modifications) document and the SA Update Report. The interim SA (2014) provided a signposting table in Chapter 1 which set out how the SEA Directive and Regulations requirements were met at the time of publishing the 2014 report. The Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015) provided an updated signposting table in Chapter 1 which set out how the SEA Directive and Regulations requirements had been met at the time of publishing the 2015 report which included compliance with any items not covered by previous iterations of the SA. A further signposting table has been provided in this SA Update. For clarity the inclusion of each stage of the SA process is provided where compliance with the SEA Directive requirement has been met."		
SA12	2	Following Para 3	Reason: In response to LUC recommendation to add a signposting table to identify how the SA has met the Str Environmental Appraisal (SEA) Directive requirements clarity. Add table 4: "Table 4 – Signposting table, 'Information to be included the Environmental Report'		
			SEA Directive	Covered in SA	
			Requirements Information to be included	in the Environmental Report	
			- Article 5 and Annex 1 of		
			a) an outline of the contents, main objectives of the plan, and relationship with other relevant plans and	Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (2013):	
			programmes;	'Chapter 1 Introduction' of this report sets out the contents and main objectives of the plan.	
				'Chapter 2 Relevant plans and programmes' of this report sets out the relationship with other relevant plans and programmes.	
				'Chapter 7 Appendix: Reviewed	

plans and programmes (full list)' provides a full list of reviewed plans and programmes. **Interim Sustainability Appraisal** (2014): 'Chapter 1 Background' of this report sets out an outline of the contents and main objectives of the Local Plan. This chapter also identifies the compliance of report at the time of publication with the SEA Directive and Regulations. 'Chapter 2 Sustainability Context'. This chapter sets out the conclusions from the review of relevant plans and programmes. 'Appendix 1: Full review of plans and programmes'. This appendix provides a full review of plans and programmes. **Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report** (2015): 'Chapter 1 Background' of this report sets out the contents and main objectives of the Local plan. This chapter also identifies the compliance of the report at the time of publication with the SEA Directive and Regulations. 'Chapter 2 Sustainability Context'. This chapter sets out the conclusions from the review of relevant plans and programmes.

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	provides a full review of plans
	and programmes.
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	plan e.g. likely historic trends of
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c) the environmental characteristics of areas likely to be significantly affected;	likely Evolution of the State of the Environment without Implementation of the Local Plan Review is set out in full at para 2.60 and accompanying table. Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (2013): 'Chapter 2 Relevant plans and programmes' of this report sets out the relationship with other relevant plans and programmes which have been grouped into themed areas. This first picks up on the potential impact of the Plan, in particular how the promotion of new development may impact on these themes. 'Chapter 3 Baseline information about Mid Devon' of this report
	considers the relevant aspects of the current state of the environment, it provides some identification of existing environmental characteristics that could be affected by the Plan e.g. Natural England has advised that any development that encourages through-traffic through the A361 may impact on the Culm Grasslands SAC. 'Chapter 4 Sustainability issues and problems' of this report summarises the sustainability issues within Mid Devon identified by the Sustainability Appraisal scoping report. 'Chapter 7 Appendix: Reviewed plans and programmes (full list)'

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'Appendix 1: Full review of plans and programmes' provides a full list of reviewed plans and programmes and provides greater detail on environmental characteristics likely to be affected and therefore which should be considered as part of the Local Plan Review.

Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015):

'Chapter 2 Sustainability context' looks at the relevant aspects of the state of the environment including the consideration of environmental characteristics of areas likely to be significantly affected.

'Appendix 1: Full review of plans and programmes' provides a full list of reviewed plans and programmes and provides greater detail on environmental characteristics likely to be affected and therefore which should be considered as part of the Local Plan Review.

Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017)

The SA Update (2017) is an addendum to the SA work undertaken to date. As such the context and methodology previously set out in the SA still applies. The SA framework objectives borne out of previous iterations of the SA are repeated in the SA Update for clarity.

d) any existing environmental problems which are relevant to **Scoping Report (2013)**: the plan including, in particular, those relating to any areas of a particular environmental importance, such as areas designated pursuant to Directives 79/409/EEC and 92/43/EEC:

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'Chapter 3 Baseline information about Mid Devon' of this report considers the relevant aspects of the current state of the environment, it provides some identification of existing environmental problems which are relevant to the plan including advice from Natural England on the impact of through-traffic on the A361 on the Culm Grasslands SAC.

Interim Sustainability Appraisal (2014):

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which are relevant to the plan
including advice from Natural
England on the impact of
through-traffic on the A361 on the
Culm Grasslands SAC.

e) the environmental protection objectives, established at international, Community or national level, which are relevant to the plan and the way those objectives and any environmental considerations have been taken into account during its preparation;

Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (2013):

'Chapter 2 Relevant plans and programmes' of this report sets out the relationship with other relevant plans and programmes which have been grouped into themed areas. This chapter identifies factors and policy defined by EU or UK legislation, national policies and other plans

and strategies at a local level which are relevant to the plan, including environmental considerations to be taken into account during the Plan preparation.

'Chapter 7 Appendix: Reviewed plans and programmes (full list)' provides a full list of reviewed plans and programmes which is summarised in Chapter 2. The chapter provides sustainability conclusions under each theme which include environmental considerations to be taken into account in the Plan's preparation.

Interim Sustainability Appraisal (2014):

'Chapter 2 Sustainability Context' of this report sets out the relationship with other relevant plans and programmes which have been grouped into themed areas. This chapter identifies factors and policy defined by EU or UK legislation, national policies and other plans and strategies at a local level which are relevant to the plan, including environmental considerations to be taken into account during the Plan preparation.

'Appendix 1 Full review of plans and programmes' provides the full list of reviewed plans and programmes which is summarised in Chapter 2. The chapter provides sustainability conclusions under each theme

which include environmental considerations to be taken into account in the Plan's preparation.

Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015):

'Chapter 2 Sustainability Context' of this report sets out the relationship with other relevant plans and programmes which have been grouped into themed areas. This chapter identifies factors and policy defined by EU or UK legislation, national policies and other plans and strategies at a local level which are relevant to the plan, including environmental considerations to be taken into account during the Plan preparation.

'Appendix 1 Full review of plans and programmes' provides the full list of reviewed plans and programmes which is summarised in Chapter 2. The chapter provides sustainability conclusions under each theme which include environmental considerations to be taken into account in the Plan's preparation.

f) the likely significant effects on the environment, including on issues such as biodiversity, population, human health, fauna, flora, soil, water, air, climatic factors, material assets, cultural heritage including architectural and archaeological heritage, landscape and the interrelationship between the above factors (these effects

Interim Sustainability Appraisal (2014):

'Appendix 2 Sustainability
appraisal of policies and site
options' presents the findings of
appraisal work that has been
carried out. The effects are
illustrated using matrices and
scoring system set out in
'Chapter 3 Sustainability

should include secondary, cumulative, synergistic, short, medium and long-term, permanent and temporary, positive and negative impacts);

appraisal methodology'. The likely significant positive and negative effects are shown by applying the scores +3 and -3 respectively. The SA objectives used throughout the SA process address all the required SEA topics. Appendix 2 also includes secondary, cumulative, synergistic, short, medium and long-term, permanent and temporary impacts.

Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015):

'Appendix 2 Sustainability appraisal of policies and site options' presents the findings of appraisal work that has been carried out. The effects are illustrated using matrices and scoring system set out in 'Chapter 3 Sustainability appraisal methodology'. The likely significant positive and negative effects are shown by applying the scores +3 and -3 respectively. The SA objectives used throughout the SA process address all the required SEA topics. Appendix 2 also includes secondary, cumulative, synergistic, short, medium and long-term, permanent and temporary impacts.

Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017)

Annex 1 'Sustainability Appraisal text, methodology and cumulative

impact comments' updates the cumulative effects noted in appendix 2 of the Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015)

Annexes 2 and 3 in the SA Update present the findings of the additional appraisal work that has been carried out. Effects are illustrated using the same matrices and scoring system that was used earlier in the SA process and that is described in paragraphs 2-9 of the SA Update (2017). As described in paragraph 6, likely significant positive and significant negative effects are shown by applying the scores +3 and -3 respectively. The SA objectives used throughout the SA process address all of the required SEA topics.

Annex 4 in the SA Update (2017) summarises the updated cumulative sustainability effects of the Local Plan review as a whole, taking into account the changes proposed to the Plan.

g) the measures envisaged to prevent, reduce and as fully as possible offset any significant adverse effects on the environment of implementing the plan;

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Interim Sustainability Appraisal (2014):

'Appendix 2 Sustainability
appraisal of policies and site
options' presents the findings of
appraisal work that has been
carried out. Under each appraisal
a summary of recommendations
are made to prevent, reduce or
as fully as possible offset any

significant adverse effects on the environment of implementing the plan.

Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015):

'Appendix 2 Sustainability appraisal of policies and site options' presents the findings of the appraisal work that has been carried out. This updated version of the SA introduces a column considering potential mitigation measures envisaged to prevent, reduce and as fully as possible offset any significant adverse effects on the environment of implementing the plan. The revised scores in the final column of the SA matrices illustrate how the proposed mitigation would affect the SA scores. In a number of places this results in potential significant effects being reduced.

<u>Sustainability Appraisal</u> <u>Update (2017)</u>

Annex 2 considers further reasonable alternatives, new information and comments on the sustainability appraisal of policies and site. Where appropriate measures are recommended as 'Changes to the Plan' to prevent, reduce and as fully possible offset any significant adverse effects on the environment of implementing the plan.

The detailed SA matrices in Annex 3 include a column considering potential mitigation measures, and the revised scores in the final column of the SA matrices illustrate how the proposed mitigation would affect the SA scores. In a number of places this results in potential significant negative effects being reduced.

h) an outline of the reasons for Sustainability Appraisal selecting the alternatives dealt with, and a description of how the assessment was undertaken including any difficulties (such as technical deficiencies or lack of knowhow) encountered in compiling the required information;

Scoping Report (2013)

This appraisal first introduces the proposed framework to assess sustainability in Chapter 5 'A framework to assess sustainability'.

Interim Sustainability Appraisal (2014)

Chapter 3 'Sustainability appraisal methodology' sets out a description of the methodology use to undertake the assessment and the assessment of policy options is undertaken in Appendix 2. Alternatives were not selected at this stage as the report was based on policy options.

Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission (2015)

Chapter 3 'Sustainability appraisal methodology' sets out a description of the methodology use to undertake the

assessment. This chapter also sets out where there were technical deficiencies in which specific data was not available at the time of the SA assessments an uncertain effect was identified in the full appraisals.

Chapter 4 'Reasons for selecting/rejecting policy alternatives' sets out an outline of the reasons for selecting the alternatives dealt with.

Appendix 2 'Sustainability appraisal of policies and site options' provides the full appraisal of policy and site options. The appraisal applies the sustainability appraisal methodology including identifying any difficulties encountered in compiling the required information, where there were technical deficiencies in which specific data was not available at the time of the SA assessments, an uncertain effect was identified in the full appraisals. Page 192 sets out the appraisal guidance followed when applying the premitigation scoring system to potential allocation sites. It's noted that in some cases the scoring could differ from the guidance due to site specific context and a cumulative approach was taken when assessing allocation sites within each objective.

Appendix 3 'Undeliverable site options' sets out the sites which were not deemed deliverable by the SHLAA panel.

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	Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017)
	Paragraphs 2-9 of the SA Update (2017) describe the methodology that has been used throughout the SA process including where there were technical deficiencies in which specific data was not available at the time of the SA assessments an uncertain effect was identified in the full appraisals. The table following paragraph 9 sets out the assumptions that have been applied to the SA of potential site allocations.
	Information about the reasons for selecting additional reasonable options for appraisal is provided in Annex 2 of the SA Update (2017).
i) a description of the measures envisaged concerning monitoring;	Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission (2015)
	Chapter 5 'Monitoring' of the report sets out a description of the measures envisaged concerning monitoring.
j) a non-technical summary of the information provided under the above headings.	Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission (2015) A non-technical summary was published with the full Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015).
The report must include the information that may reasonably be required taking	Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (2013)

into account current
knowledge and methods of
assessment, the contents and
level of detail in the plan or
programme, its stage in the
decision-making process and
the extent to which certain
matters are more appropriately
assessed at different levels in
that process to avoid
duplication of the assessment
(Article 5.2)

Provided an introduction and context of Mid Devon District and the proposed Plan. The Report considered relevant plans and programmes, baseline information about Mid Devon, Sustainability issues and problems and set out a framework to assess sustainability for consultation.

Interim Sustainability Appraisal (2014)

Provided the same provisions as the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (2013) and was updated to demonstrate the latest information available at the time of publication and in response to the initial consultation the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (2013). This report also first introduces the findings of appraisal work on the policies proposed in the Local Plan Review and the likely significant effects. It provides a description of how the assessment was undertaken including any difficulties encountered in compiling the required information. It also makes recommendations for mitigation measures. However decisions for preferred alternatives were not taken at this stage as the Plan was out for consultation on the options for the Local Plan Review. Chapter 1 set out the compliance with the Strategic **Environmental Assessment** Directive and Regulations which identifies three areas that would

be more appropriately addressed at a later stage of the SA process; the outline of the reasons for selecting alternatives dealt with, a description of the measures envisaged concerning monitoring and the non-technical summary.

<u>Sustainability Appraisal</u> <u>Proposed Submission (2015)</u>

Provided the same provisions of the Interim Sustainability Appraisal (2014) and was updated to demonstrate the latest information available at the time of publication. The update also responded to the consultation on the Interim Sustainability Appraisal (2014). This report introduces a mitigation column in the appraisals which sets out revised scores demonstrating how the mitigation proposed could affect the SA scores. The Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission (2015) also sets out an outline of reasons for selecting the alternatives dealt with, a description of the measures envisaged concerning monitoring and provides a non-technical summary. The SA Proposed Submission incorporates all of the information reasonably required.

Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017)

As noted in paragraph 1 of the update report, the update to the

Sustainability Appraisal has been undertaken to take into account comments made at the 2015

Proposed Submission Stage consultation and proposed modifications to the Local Plan Review. The requirements not met in the SA Update (2017) are met in previous iterations of the Sustainability Appraisal.

Who should be consulted during SEA/SA process

Authorities with environmental responsibility, when deciding on the scope and level of detail of the information which must be included in the environmental report (Article 5.4)

Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (2013):

Chapter 6 'Consultation' identifies that the Council provided the opportunity to the three statutory environmental consultation bodies at the time of the scoping report which were Natural England, the Environment Agency and English Heritage (now Historic England). The opportunity to comment on the scope and level of detail of the information contained within the scoping report was also provided to local communities and other bodies on 8 July 2013 for 6 weeks. Every person and organisation including statutory consultees that appeared on the Mid Devon Local Development Framework database at the time of publication was informed of the opportunity to comment on the Local Plan Review Scoping Report and associated documents including the Sustainability Appraisal.

<u>Authorities with environmental</u> responsibility and the public,

<u>Interim Sustainability Appraisal</u> (2014):

shall be given an early and effective opportunity within appropriate time frames to express their opinion on the draft plan or programme and the accompanying environmental report before the adoption of the plan or programme (Article 6.1, 6.2)

Chapter 4 'Next steps' invites representations on the contents of the Local Plan Review and this accompanying Sustainability Appraisal. Consultation was held on 24th January 2014 for 8 weeks. Every person and organisation including statutory consultees that appeared on the Mid Devon Local Development Framework database at the time of publication was informed of the opportunity to comment on the Local Plan Review Options Consultation Report and associated documents including the Sustainability Appraisal.

<u>Sustainability Appraisal</u> <u>Proposed Submission (2015)</u>

Consultation was held on 9th February 2015 for 11 weeks. Every person and organisation including statutory consultees that appeared on the Mid Devon Local Development Framework database at the time of publication was informed of the opportunity to comment on the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission Report and associated documents including the Sustainability Appraisal.

Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017)

Consultation was held on 3rd
January 2017 for 6 weeks. Every
person and organisation including
statutory consultees that

appeared on the Mid Devon Local Development Framework database at the time of publication was informed of the opportunity to comment on the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission Report (incorporating proposed modifications) and associated documents including the Sustainability Appraisal. Not relevant to the SA of the Mid Other EU Member States, where the implementation of Devon Local Plan. the plan or programme is likely to have significant effects on the environment of that country (Article 7) **Decision-making** The environmental report and **Sustainability Appraisal** the results of the consultations | Scoping Report (2013) must be taken into account in decision-making (Article 8) Consultation was undertaken on the Local Plan Review Scoping Report and the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report. **Interim Sustainability Appraisal Report (2014)** The Local Plan Review Options Consultation report was submitted to Cabinet on 9 January 2014 and was agreed for approval for public consultation and authority to be given to the Head of Planning and Regeneration, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning, to make minor editorial changes to the text and maps.

Chapter 3 'Sustainability
appraisal methodology' of the
Interim Sustainability Appraisal
Report (2014) sets out a
summary of the consultation
responses received during 2013
consultation Local Plan Review
Scoping Report and the
Sustainability Appraisal Scoping
Report (2013) and noted that the
SA would be updated following
consultation to take account of
the responses received during
the consultation.

Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015)

The Local Plan Review Proposed Submission report was submitted to three Cabinet meetings for approval for publication and submission subject to confirmation by Full Council by area (West, Central and East) on 27 November, 4 December and 11 December 2014. Relevant extracts from the Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report was provided at each Cabinet meeting. The full Sustainability Appraisal was also made available to members on the Council's website to be considered alongside reports pack. Approval was also sought for the Sustainability Appraisal incorporating the Strategic Environmental Assessment, the **Draft Habitats Regulations** Assessment and other evidence produced in the process of the plan's preparation to be published for consultation alongside the Local Plan. Thirdly

approval was sought for authority given to the Head of Planning and Regeneration, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning, to make minor changes to the text and maps. Final approval by Full Council was made on the 17th December 2014 for consultation in 2015.

Chapter 3 'Sustainability appraisal methodology' of the Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015) sets out a summary of the consultation responses received during the two previous consultations on the Local Plan Review and Sustainability Appraisal and notes that the comments were incorporated into the Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015).

Chapter 4 'Reasons for selecting/rejecting policy alternatives' sets out a summary of the reasons for selecting/rejecting the strategic, allocation and development management policy alternatives.

A statement of consultation
before Local Plan publication was
provided at the same time of
consultation which set out the
main issues raised during
previous consultation and how
these were responded to.
Comments received in previous
consultations and how the
sustainability appraisal results
were taken into account in
decision-making are also

demonstrated through the Local
Plan Review Proposed
Submission (February 2015)
Consultation Summary
Document.

Request for a J27 implications Report (2016)

A request by members was made in 2016 for a J27 implications Report which looked at the implications if members were minded to allocate J27 as part of the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission. This report was taken to Cabinet on the 15 September 2016 which set out the history of the J27 proposal and decisions previously made by members and the implications of allocating J27. The report also identified that if members were minded to make a modification to the plan to allocate land at J27. sites for an additional 260 dwellings will also need to be allocated in the Local Plan. Alternative housing option sites were set out to members based on a selection criteria as follows: sites previously consulted on as part of the Local Plan Review Options consultation (January 2014) or received as a local plan representation; sites considered by the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment Panel; compliance with the Local Plan Review Distribution Strategy; and proximate to the development proposal at Junction 27.

The 2015 SA was publically available at the time the

Implications Report was presented to members in 2016 and the draft 2015 SA was presented to members previously in the 2014 Cabinet (27 November, 4 December, 11 December) and Council meetings (17 December 2014). The Sustainability Appraisal was not mentioned in the Implications Report; however there is an apparent synergy in the reasons set out in the Implications Report and the Sustainability Appraisal (2015).

Cabinet proposed a recommendation to Council that a 6 week consultation period take place prior to the submission of the Local Plan, Land at Junction 27 of the M5 be allocated for leisure retail and tourism development and associated additional housing sites giving the extra provision of 260 additional homes be allocated at Blundells Road, Tiverton and Higher Town, Sampford Peverell. The recommendations of Cabinet as set out above were taken to Council on 22 September 2016 and were approved. The plan as a whole was subsequently considered at the meetings of Cabinet on 21 November and Council 01 December 2016 where it was agreed that the Local Plan Review incorporating proposed modifications be publicised and consulted on for 6 weeks, and that delegated authority be given to the Head of Planning and Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning for the plan's subsequent submission to

the Planning Inspectorate for examination together with its supporting documentation. After consultation, the plan was submitted to the Planning Inspectorate together with supporting documentation on 31st March 2017 under the delegated authority.

Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017)

The Local Plan Review Proposed Submission report (incorporating proposed modifications) was submitted to Cabinet on 21 November 2016 for a recommendation of approval for publication and consultation, and that delegated authority be given to the Head of Planning and Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning for the plan's subsequent submission to the Planning Inspectorate for examination together with its supporting documentation to full Council. The amended Local Plan Review incorporated the recommendations made at Council on 22 September 2016. A summary of the modifications proposed were summarised in the report pack with the full schedule of modifications appended to the report for viewing.

The report references the
Sustainability Appraisal and the
findings of the Sustainability
Appraisal process. The report
notes that the Local Plan Review

has been subject to Sustainability Appraisal during its preparation. The appraisal is an iterative process informing the development of the Local Plan Review and has been published alongside each stage of consultation. The Sustainability Appraisal assesses the likely significant effects of the Local Plan, focussing on the environmental, economic and social impacts. The latest version was updated to consider the latest available evidence including reasonable alternatives proposed through consultation responses. The Sustainability Appraisal Update concludes that the proposals set out in the Local Plan Review together with the schedule of modifications are the most appropriate given the reasonable alternatives available. The report identifies that the Sustainability Appraisal and other updated evidence produced in the process of the plan's preparation will be made available for comment during the Local Plan Review proposed modifications consultation.

The report also makes reference to the Planning Policy Advisory Group which considered all paperwork accompanying the report. The report summarises the considerations of the group and their recommendations to Cabinet. The recommendations to Cabinet on the 21 November 2016 were agreed and were submitted to full Council on 01 December 2016. The submission to full Council included the report pack presented to Cabinet which

contained reference to the Sustainability Appraisal for approval and were agreed.

Para 1 of the Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) sets out that this update to the Sustainability Appraisal has been undertaken to take into account comments made at the 2015 Proposed Submission Stage consultation and proposed modification to the Local Plan Review. The summary matrices in Annex 2 relating to the additional reasonable alternative options considered for each policy topic include a final row which states which option has been taken forward as a proposed change to the Plan if relevant, or if no changes are proposed to the Plan policies, why this is.

Consultation was undertaken on the Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) and the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (incorporating proposed modifications) (2017). A statement of consultation was provided at the same time as this consultation which set out the main issues raised during previous three consultations and how these were responded to. Schedule of Proposed Modifications (Proposed Submission consultation) (November 2016) and the Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) also demonstrate how the results of the consultations were taken into account.

Comments received during this consultation including how the sustainability appraisal results were taken into account in decision-making are demonstrated through the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (January 2017) Consultation Summary Document and the schedule of Proposed Minor Modifications (2017).

Provision of information on the decision

When the plan or programme is adopted, the public and any countries consulted under

Article 7 must be informed and the following made available to those so informed:

N/A – this requirement should be met at a later stage of the SA process.

- the plan or programme as adopted
- a statement summarising how environmental considerations have been integrated into the plan or programme and how the environmental report of Article 5, the opinions expressed pursuant to Article 6 and the results of consultations entered into pursuant to Article 7 have been taken into account in accordance with Article 8, and the reasons for choosing the plan or programme as adopted, in the light of the other reasonable alternatives dealt with; and
- the measures decided concerning monitoring (Article 9)

<u>Monitoring</u>

			Monitoring of the significant environmental effects of the plan's or programme's implementation must be undertaken (Article 10)	Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission (2015) Chapter 5 'Monitoring' sets out how the Plan will be monitored.
SA13	30	Para 12	(2017) Delete the word 'is' and 'as' f "A framework is used to under of the Local Plan Review as of sustainability objectives, e elements against which a poly framework includes all those that will affect the sustainabil is central to the process of S.	factors highlighted within the SA lity of the Local Plan Review and A.
SA14	37	n/a	Reason: Reference to Annex Update in response to LUC relearer explanation of work of stage of the SA at the front of following LUC recommendation conclusions sections in the management of the SA Framework table. "This update to the Sustainal follows: Annex 1 – Sustainability Again cumulative impact comment of the sustainability appraisal (Securoulative impacts. Annex 2 – Further reasonal information and comments appraisal of policies and significant of the sustainability appraisal for explanation proposed changes to the sustainability apprais	c 1-3 now moved to p.2 of the SA ecommendation to provide a carried out during the SA Update of the SA Update. Annex 4 ion is now presented as a main body of the SA Update. The delete the following text: The delete the f

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			Annex 3 – Additional Reasonable Alternative Appraisals
			(p.166 – 337)
			This annex provides the full appraisals used to assess
			reasonable alternatives where deemed necessary as
			summarised in Annex 2.
			Annex 4 – Non technical summary and overall sustainability appraisal of Plan (p.339 – 345)
			This annex summarises the main changes made to the Local Plan Review following the appraisal of alternatives set out in Annex 2 and assesses the overall sustainability of the proposed Local Plan. "
SA15	38	Para 20	Reason: In response to LUC recommendation to provide a
0, 110		1 414 20	brief statement within the SA Update to evidence why
			disaggregated options are not considered as reasonable
			options for the purposes of the SA and how the J27 proposal was selected.
			was scieded.
			Insert the following paragraphs: explaining the Junction 27 proposal and options for disaggregation and location:
			"Junction 27 proposal and options for disaggregation and location
			A key principle of retail planning is that main town centre uses should be allocated on the basis of a sequential test (NPPF paragraph 24). Case law in relation to development management decisions establishes that sequential test site selection must relate to the suitability of a site for the developer's proposal not some alternative (and reduced) scheme which might be suggested by the Planning Authority (or others); see Tesco Stores Ltd v Dundee City Council [2012] UKSC13. This principle has been upheld in subsequent decisions, such as Aldergate Properties Ltd and Mansfield DC and Regal Sherwood Oaks [2016] EWHC1670. The Secretary of State also agreed with his Inspector that there was no requirement to disaggregate a mixed use tourism and retail proposal at "Rushden Lakes, Northamptonshire (APP/G2815/V/12/2190175). In relation to planning policy and plan making the National Planning Guidance provides that the sequential approach requires a thorough assessment of the suitability, viability and availability of locations for main town centre uses. It requires clearly explained reasoning if more central opportunities to locate main town centre uses are rejected. It states:
			Has the need for main town centre uses been assessed? The assessment should consider the current situation, recent up-take of land for main town centre uses, the supply of and demand for land for

- main town centre uses, forecast of future need and the type of land needed for main town centre uses
- Can the identified need for main town centre uses land be accommodated on town centre sites? When identifying sites, the suitability, availability and viability of the site should be considered, with particular regard to the nature of the need that is to be addressed
- If the additional main town centre uses required cannot be accommodated in town centre sites, what are the next sequentially preferable sites that it can be accommodated on? Local Plans should contain policies to apply the sequential test to proposals for main town centre uses that may come forward outside the sites or locations allocated in the Local Plan.

The Junction 27 policy is for the delivery of a major leisure destination providing mixed use development comprising travel hub, agronomy visitor centre, outdoor adventure zone and outlet shopping village. The retail element is integral to the overall proposal. It ensures the development provides a unique multifaceted visitor attraction and assists delivery in terms of viability and the inter-relationship between the elements which is seen as essential.

In terms of Sustainability Appraisal, reasonable alternatives must be of a similar size to accommodate the proposed development i.e. around 71 ha. Apart from a "business as usual" option (i.e. not including a major mixed use tourist/retail proposal), smaller areas cannot be considered as reasonable alternatives as they would be too small to accommodate the proposal without disaggregation. It would not be appropriate to require an SA to consider sites that were ruled out as being suitable sequentially preferable sites.

The Council's Hearing Statement on Junction 27 as well as paragraph 3.184c of the Submitted Local Plan indicates that other areas have been considered. CBRE assessed 6 sites within and close to town centres at, Tiverton, Crediton, Taunton and Exeter and Exmouth. However these sites are too small to accommodate the proposal without disaggregation. The Council commissioned Lichfields to consider additional sites which it did not feel were fully assessed by CBRE. These were Exeter Bus and Coach Station, Tiverton Eastern Urban Extension, North West and East Cullompton. Exeter Bus and Coach Station was too small (3.3 ha) and would require disaggregation. It also appeared that the site was being promoted for a different type of development to the J27 proposal. Whilst sites within urban extensions were in principle large enough these are subject to other proposals and are not therefore reasonable

alternatives to Junction 27 (see paragraph 3.15- 3.19 of the Council's Hearing Statement J27 Issue 3 https://www.middevon.gov.uk/media/344022/j27-mddc-2-middevon-council-issues-2-3-4-8-hearing-statement.pdf)

The Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) assessed the proposed modifications of the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission, including J27. It notes (p115-117) that: "On the 22nd September 2016 Full Council resolved to propose an allocation of 71 hectares between M5 Junction 27 and Willand for mixed commercial floorspace including a travel hub, agronomy visitor centre, outdoor adventure zone and outlet shopping village. The policy includes transport provision, environmental protection, a comprehensive phasing programme and public master planning exercise. In comparison to the Proposed Submission Sustainability Appraisal option, this commercial option encompasses a smaller site area, a number of the town centre uses have been withdrawn and new information has been provided to determine the retail impact. Taking the policy amendments and new information into account the allocation has been reappraised".

It reappraised the J27 proposal against the Proposed Submission option, which was the rejected 96ha commercial scheme. The 71ha scheme (26% smaller) was found to perform better than the larger alternative. A summary matrix was presented for the Junction 27 option setting out a summary of the comparison between the 96ha site appraised in the Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission (2015) report and the 71ha scheme appraised in the Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017), this is reflected below.

Summar	y Matrix –	OJ27
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	Preferred	Alternative
Sustainability	Proposed	Proposed
Objective	Modifications	Submission
	Policy 71ha	Option
		96ha
Α	-1	-2/?
В	0/?	0/?
С	-1/?	-1/?
D	-2	⊹3/?
E	+3	+3
F	+3	-3/?
G	0	0
Н	+1	+2
1	+2/?	+2/?

The 2015 Sustainability Appraisal supported the Proposed Submission Local Plan Review (2015). This considered a spatial strategy and site allocations that were at the time the Council's preferred option, and as such constitutes an assessment of reasonable alternative strategies which did not incorporate a major tourism/retail proposal. The assessment from page 30 et seq of the SA sets out why sites were preferred and others rejected including options for potential a new community at Cullompton, Hartnoll Farm and J27 Willand which are assessed at page 35 and Appendix 2 p135 onwards.

A site of 96 ha at J27 is assessed for potential mixed use commercial development in Appendix 2 from p605 onwards and a more extensive urban extension of 104 ha in this location is assessed from p611. Neither of these options were considered sustainable and therefore not at that time included in the Proposed Submission Local Plan Review.

Sites to allocate in relation to the Junction 27 proposal

A request by members was made in 2016 for a J27 implications Report which looked at the implications if members were minded to allocate J27 as part of the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission. This report was taken to Cabinet on the 15th September 2016 and Council on 22nd September 2016 which set out the history of the J27 proposal and decisions previously made by members and the implications of allocating J27. The report also identified that if

members were minded to make a modification to the plan to allocate land at J27, sites for an additional 260 dwellings will also need to be allocated in the Local Plan. Alternative housing option sites were set out to members based on a selection criteria as follows: sites previously consulted on as part of the Local Plan Review Options consultation (January 2014) or received as a Local Plan representation; sites considered by the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment Panel; compliance with the Local Plan Review Distribution Strategy; and proximate to the development proposal at Junction 27. Individual sites were considered at an officer level where they met the selection criteria. These where then presented to members at Cabinet on 15th September and Council on the 22nd September 2016 in a collated format. Not all sites or all village locations that were considered at an officer level were referred to in the committee paperwork on the 15th or 22nd September 2016. However the reasons for rejecting site options set out in the Implications Report and the Sustainability Appraisal (2015) are broadly the same. The 2015 SA was publically available at the time the Implications Report was presented to members in 2016 and the draft 2015 SA was presented to members previously in the 2014 Cabinet (27 November, 4 December, 11 December) and Council meetings (17 December 2014). Following the recommendations undertaken on the 15th and 22nd September, a report was presented to Cabinet on 21st November 2016 and full Council 1st December 2017 which sought approval for publication of the Local Plan Review including main modifications and supporting evidence. This report makes reference to the Sustainability Appraisal Update and that the Planning Policy Advisory Group which considered all paperwork accompanying the report and provided their recommendations to the 15th September Cabinet. The report summarises the considerations of the group and recommendations. The tables below sets out a summary of the site option areas and the site options that met the criteria identified in the Implications Report. Sites with planning permission or which are already proposed for allocation are not considered as reasonable alternatives for the additional dwellings." SA16 41 In response to LUC recommendation to collate work n/a undertaken to date to be used to inform a review of the decision making process regarding which sites to allocate in relation to Junction 27. Add Table 5 as follows:

Site option area	Reason
Cullompton	Cullompton is the main fo
	growth during the plan pe
	significant amount of
	development is already
	programmed for Cullompt
	during this period. Analys
	forms part of the Local Pl
	Review Evidence base co
	the level of infrastructure
	improvements, in particu
	strategic highways work
	would need to be delive
	accommodate the propo
	of growth. The required
	infrastructure improvem
	be delivered in line with
	phased delivery of the l
	strategic housing alloca
	planned for Cullompton
	additional development
	the current Local Plan
	would therefore not be
	appropriate until longer
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	development to meet the
Villages proximate to J27	Culmstock
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	Kentisbeare

		Proximate is considered to be: 30 minutes of J27 by walking, cycling or public transport	Sampford Peverell Uffculme Willand
		Villages proximate to J27 and referred to in committee paperwork on 22 nd September 2016	 Hemyock Kentisbeare Sampford Peverell Uffculme Willand
		Villages not proximate to J27	The following villages were not considered as proximate to J27 and therefore were not to be considered as reasonable alternatives for additional residential development to meet this need:
			 Bampton Bow Bradninch Chawleigh Cheriton Bishop Cheriton Fitzpaine Copplestone Lapford Morchard Bishop Newton St Cyres Sandford Silverton Thorverton Yeoford
		Areas not consistent with the proposed Local Plan Review distribution strategy	The following areas were not considered as consistent with the proposed Local Plan Review distribution strategy as they are not defined as villages in S13 and therefore were not considered as reasonable alternatives for additional residential development to meet this need:
			 Bickleigh Butterleigh Burlescombe Colebrooke Oakford Shillingford
SA17 43	3 n/a	In response to LUC recomme	endation to collate work

undertaken to date to be used to inform a review of the decision making process regarding which sites to allocate in relation to Junction 27.

Add Table 6 as follows:

"Table 6 – Site options which meet the selection criteria as set out in the Implications Report $\,$

Site options considered during the SA process for the Local Plan Review	Reasonable alternative option for additional site allocations?	Location of site appraisal matrix	Reason for selecting / rejecting option for additional housing allocation
	Sites at	<u>Tiverton</u>	
Hay Park	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Rejected: This option has not been taken forward as development would result in the loss of historic barns (to ensure adequate access visibility displays) and has surface water flooding issues associated with the water course on site.
Blundells School	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Selected: The site is proposed to be taken forward as an allocation and addressed in the Sustainability Update through policy TIV16. The

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			site was	
			considered as	
			part of the J27	
			Implications	
			Report	
			presented to	
			Cabinet 15 th	
			September	
			2016 and Full	
			Council 22 nd	
			September	
			2016. It was	
			noted at this	
			time that the	
			site is currently	
			allocated in	
			the adopted	
			Local Plan for	
			200 dwellings	
			and was due	
			to be deleted	
			in the Local	
			Plan Review	
			as the site had	
			not come	
			forward.	
			However	
			officers now	
			understand	
			that the land is	
			available and	
			developable.	
			The site is	
			significantly a	
			brownfield site	
			which is	
			accessible	
			from Tiverton	
			town centre.	
			Development	
			of the site	
			provides the	
			opportunity for	
			remodelling of	
			the site to	
			reduce flood	
			risk	
			downstream.	
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						Whilst it is	
						located further	
						from J27 than	
						some other	
						<u>assessed</u>	
						sites, it is on a	
						bus route that	
						serves both	
						the Tiverton	
						town centre	
						and J27, and	
						the sites	
						<u>otherwise</u>	
						<u>sustainable</u>	
						location is	
						considered to	
						outweigh the	
						issue of	
						distance from	
						<u>J27.</u>	
			Leat Street	Yes	SA Report for	Rejected: In	
			<u> </u>	100	the Local Plan	the	
					Review	Sustainability	
					(Proposed	<u>Appraisal</u>	
					Submission	Proposed	
					consultation)	Submission	
					February 2015	Report (2015)	
					Appendix 2	it is noted in	
						Chapter 4	
						'Reasons for	
						selecting/reject	
						ing policy	
						alternatives'	
						that this option	
						had not been	
						taken forward	
						as it is an	
						existing show	
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						<u>allocation</u>	
						would result in	
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						land. A large	
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		Exeter Hill	Yes			

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				(Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2 The SA Update in 2017 also included a revised appraisal of this site to take into account a consultation comment received.	site with large views of Tiverton and would be highly visible from the town. Although the level of development is relatively low, development of the site is still likely to result in a negative impact on the character of the landscape. It was rejected as an option for the additional housing allocation as the site would be more intrusive than other allocations.	
		Land at Bampton Street/William Street Car Park (mixed use)	<u>Uncertain</u>	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Rejected: Although in sustainability terms the sites regeneration would be positive, the SCLAA panel has raised deliverability concerns. Whilst the site may be a reasonable alternative, however it is in	

				different ownerships, which is not being actively promoted. The uncertainty over deliverability resulted in its rejection. However it is a town centre site and could be developed as a windfall site, should a proposal come forward.
	Hartnoll Farm (considered for both housing or mixed use)	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2 The Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) included revised appraisal work to consider the site as a revised mixed use allocation.	Rejected: The full site area would extend Tiverton to the East substantially on the valley floor which would significantly close the gap between urban areas and nearby villages, especially Halberton. It would also increase the distance from the town centre and services, resulting in increased car use and reduced sustainability. The majority of

the site is classed as agricultural grade 1 land development could impact on the Grand Western Canal Conservation Area to the South and the East of the site which is also classed as a County Wildlife Site and Local Nature Reserve. The Sustainability <u>Appraisal</u> <u>Update (2017)</u> <u>included</u> revised appraisal work to consider the site as a revised mixed use allocation which was proposed through the Sustainability **Appraisal** (2015)consultation. It was rejected as an option given the issues around the protection and promotion of a quality built and historic environment in which the coalescence of

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			the village of	
			Halberton	
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			2016, options	
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			included an	
			addition of 480	
			dwellings	
			which could be	
			provided within	
			the existing	
			planned for	
			infrastructure	
			<u>constraints</u>	
			recognised in	
			the existing	
			adopted Local	
			Plan site	
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			Eastern Urban	
			Extension. The	
			report notes	
			that if the	
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			Eastern Urban	
			Extension site	
			which is	
			currently	
			allocated in	
			the Local Plan	
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			extended to	
			allow for the	
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				would be	
				logical for this	
				to include land	
				at Hartnoll	
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				current urban	
				extension.	
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				of the Hartnoll	
				Farm site	
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				Review	
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				Sustainability	
				<u>Appraisal</u>	
				Proposed	
				Submission	
				Report (2015).	
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				of the site	
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				views. This	
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				that if members were minded to allocate some land at the Hartnoll Farm an option 200 dwellings should be proposed to allow flexibility for the further refinement of densities at the Tiverton Eastern Urban Extension should this be necessary. This site was not preferred at the Full Council meeting on 22nd September	
	Land at Seven Crosses Hill	<u>No</u>	The Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) included appraisal work	therefore not taken forward as a proposed allocation for the additional dwellings. Rejected: This site came forward during the consultation on the Local	
			to consider the site.	Plan Review Proposed Submission (2015) but it was rejected as a housing allocation as there were a number of	62

			constraints to the site including topography and highways access. The site is to the south west of Tiverton and is steeply sloping. It is 7.69 ha and would therefore be too large to meet the identified need.
	Sites at th	e Villages	
Culmstock Glebe and Rackfields, Culmstock	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Rejected: The two sites 'Glebe and Rackfields' and 'The Croft' in Culmstock were not preferred as they were within the elevated southern part of the village, with greater potential for landscape and visual impacts. This part of the village also contains the core of the conservation area, which is focussed around All Saints Church. There is

	The Croft, Culmstock	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed	greater potential for the impact on the conservation area should either of these sites be developed which can be avoided by selecting others. In addition these two sites in the village received the greatest level of objection of all the village's sites during the Options consultation. Rejected: The two sites 'Glebe and Rackfields'
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		Land at Blundells Road, Halberton	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Rejected: The site is within the conservation area with the potential for negative impacts which can be avoided by allocated other sites. Land at Blundells Road was also not favoured by the Parish Council. The Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) refers to a

				number of consultation comments relating to this site but no changes have been made to the SA work undertaken previously and it remains rejected as a site option.
	New Site: The Pethers, Halberton	Yes No	This site came forward during the consultation on the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (2015). The Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017) included appraisal work to consider the site.	Rejected: The site is rejected as a preferred site. The site was put forward as an alternative to Policy HA1 in Halberton with a capacity of up to 10 dwellings in 2015. It has outline permission (17/0019/OUT) for 5 dwellings. It is therefore too small to be a reasonable alternative for additional site allocation to meet the need for J27.
	Land South West of Conigar Close, Hemyock	<u>No</u>	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015	The site now has planning permission (17/00746/MA RM for 22 dwellings 23/08/2017)

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				- Appendix 2	so is no longer a reasonable option for meeting the additional housing need, but will instead be part of the general local plan requirement.	
		Culmbridge Farm, Hemyock	Yes Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Rejected: The four alternative sites presented in Hemyock are all greenfield sites within the location of the Blackdown Hills AONB and the impact on the special qualities of the landscape designation is a factor to consider. The four greenfield sites all have the potential for some landscape and visual impact in the context of the Blackdown Hills AONB and therefore are not preferred. The site was considered as part of the J27 Implications Report	
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					Cabinet 15th September 2016 and Full Council 22nd September 2016. It was noted that sites in Hemyock were not favoured owing to their scale and impact on the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.
		Land north of Culmbridge Farm, Hemyock	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Rejected: The four alternative sites presented in Hemyock are all greenfield sites within the location of the Blackdown Hills AONB and the impact on the special qualities of the landscape designation is a factor to consider. The four greenfield sites all have the potential for some landscape and visual impact in the context of the Blackdown Hills AONB and therefore are not preferred.

		Land adj. cemetery, Hemyock	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	The site was considered as part of the J27 Implications Report presented to Cabinet 15th September 2016 and Full Council 22nd September 2016. It was noted that sites in Hemyock were not favoured owing to their scale and impact on the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Rejected: The four alternative sites presented in Hemyock are all greenfield sites within the location of the Blackdown Hills AONB and the impact on the special qualities of the landscape	
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		Land by Kentisbeare Village Hall, Kentisbeare (mixed use)	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Rejected: This site received a number of objections during the Options Consultation. Although it is an existing allocation, it has not come forward since being allocated in 2010, for these reasons it is not proposed to be retained in the Local	

			Plan Review.
			The site was
			considered as
			part of the J27
			<u>Implications</u>
			Report
			presented to
			Cabinet 15 th
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			2016 and Full
			Council 22 nd
			<u>September</u>
			2016. It was
			noted that land
			was previously
			included in the
			Local Plan at
			<u>Kentisbeare</u>
			next to the
			Village Hall as
			an affordable
			housing
			allocation for
			20 dwellings.
			This was
			removed owing to a lack
			of impetus in
			the site
			coming
			forward for
			affordable
			housing and
			due to strong
			objection from
			the Parish
			Council.
			However if
			allocated for a
			mix of market
			and affordable
			housing it is
			considered
			that it would
			come forward
			<u>for</u>
			development.
			This site was

				not supported by the Planning Policy Advisory Group and was not preferred.	
	Higher Town, Sampford Peverell	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Selected: In the Sustainability Appraisal Proposed Submission Report (2015) it is noted in Chapter 4 'Reasons for selecting/reject ing policy alternatives' it is stated that this option was not preferred because it had the potential for greater landscape or visual impacts. As set out in the Sustainability Appraisal Update (2017), criteria have now been included in the policy to ensure landscaping and design respects the setting and character of the area, conservation area and listed	

			building.
			The site is
			proposed to be
			taken forward
			as an
			additional
			allocation and
			addressed in
			the
			Sustainability
			Appraisal (2015)
			<u>Update (2017)</u>
			through policy
			SP2. The site
			was
			considered as
			part of the J27
			Implications Deport
			Report
			presented to
			Cabinet 15 th
			September
			2016 and Full Council 22 nd
			September 2016. It was
			noted at this
			time that Land
			at Higher
			Town could
			provide 60
			dwellings. The
			site is elevated
			and would
			require careful
			landscaping
			and mitigation
			measures.
			The
			development
			<u>is</u>
			proportionate
			to the scale of
			the existing
			village. The
			<u>Highway</u>
			Authority has
			advised that
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any development of the site should be phased until after improved access to the A361. The J27 <u>Implications</u> Report presented to Cabinet 15th September 2016 and Full Council 22nd September 2016 noted that other potential sites in Sampford Peverell were not considered to be of an appropriate scale or would impact adversely on <u>heritage</u> assets. Several of the sites in Sampford Peverell are <u>reasonable</u> alternatives, and have similar landscape or <u>heritage</u> characteristics. They have an advantage of being slightly closer to J27 than Higher Town.

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			However, they	
			are part of	
			more	
			extensive	
			tracts of land,	
			and their	
			allocation	
			would result in	
			larger housing	
			sites than the	
			identified	
			additional	
			need for 60	
			dwellings. It	
			would not be	
			realistic to	
			seek to	
			artificially	
			subdivide sites	
			to limit the	
			number of	
			units that are	
			developed. As	
			such,	
			development	
			of a number of	
			potentially	
			suitable sites	
			in Sampford	
			Peverell would	
			result in much	
			more	
			significant	
			expansion of	
			the village This	
			would be	
			contrary to the	
			<u>spatial</u>	
			strategy in	
			Policy SP2 of	
			the Local Plan	
			Review, which	
			concentrates	
			development	
			in the three	
			main towns	
			and has	
			limited	
			development	
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	Land off	Yes	SA Report for	in other settlements aimed at meeting local needs and promoting vibrant communities. Conversely SP2 is a naturally enclosed site, bounded by hedgerows and road, and its development would be of a scale acceptable within the parameters of Policy S2 and local infrastructure constraints. The location of the site on the west of the village is considered to be only a minor disadvantage compared to the other sites in the village. The site is being actively promoted and is deliverable.	
	Land off Whitnage Road, Sampford Peverell	<u>Yes</u>	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission	Rejected: This option is located adjacent to the A361, sharing	

			consultation)	a long
			February 2015	boundary with
			- Appendix 2	this busy road.
				Such a site
				therefore has
				greater
				potential for
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				negative
				impacts from
				noise on the
				general
				amenity of
				<u>future</u>
				<u>residents</u>
				which can be
				avoided by
				allocating
				<u>alternative</u>
				sites.
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				The J27
				<u>Implications</u>
				Report
				presented to
				Cabinet 15 th
				September
				2016 and Full
				Council 22 nd
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				2016 noted
				that other
				potential sites
				in Sampford
				Peverell were
				not considered
				to be of an
				appropriate
				scale or would
				impact
				adversely on
				heritage
				assets.
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	Land at	Yes	SA Donort for	Pojected: This
	Land at	169	SA Report for	Rejected: This
	Mountain Oak		the Local Plan	option is a
	Farm,		Review	large site
	Sampford		(Proposed	slightly
	Peverell		Submission	divorced from
			consultation)	the main body

			February 2015	of the village,
			– Appendix 2	and does not
				offer the most
				logical
				extension to
				the built
				extent.
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				The J27
				Implications
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				Cabinet 15 th
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				2016 and Full
				Council 22 nd
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				potential sites
				in Sampford
				Peverell were
				not considered
				to be of an
				<u>appropriate</u>
				scale or would
				<u>impact</u>
				adversely on
				<u>heritage</u>
				assets.
				Coo obovo
				See above
				under the
				rationale for
				selecting
				Higher Town.
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	Morrells Farm,	<u>Yes</u>	SA Report for	Rejected: This
	Sampford		the Local Plan	option is a
	Peverell		<u>Review</u>	very large site
	(SHLAA site 6)		(Proposed	which has a
			<u>Submission</u>	poor spatial
			consultation)	relation with
			February 2015	the village, it is
			– Appendix 2	out of scale
				with the
				settlement and
				divorced from
				the main built

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					extent of	
					Sampford	
					Peverell.	
					Although a	
					smaller	
					element of the	
					site could be	
					allocated there	
					is currently	
					very little	
					development	
					in the vicinity	
					of the site and	
					as such there	
					is the greater	
					potential for	
					landscape and	
					visual impacts.	
					The J27	
					<u>Implications</u>	
					Report	
					presented to	
					Cabinet 15 th	
					September	
					2016 and Full	
					Council 22 nd	
					September	
					2016 noted	
					that other	
					potential sites	
					in Sampford	
					Peverell were	
					not considered	
					to be of an	
					<u>appropriate</u>	
					scale or would	
					impact	
					adversely on	
					heritage	
					assets.	
					See above	
					under the	
					rationale for	
					selecting	
					Higher Town.	
		Morrollo Carro	Voc	CA Danart fair	Deigeted: This	
		Morrells Farm	<u>Yes</u>	SA Report for	Rejected: This	
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	adj. the main	the Local Plan	option would	
	road,	Review	likely have an	
	Sampford	(Proposed	impact on the	
	<u>Peverell</u>	<u>Submission</u>	Grade II	
	(SHLAA site	consultation)	farmhouse,	
	3&4)	February 2015	and would	
		– Appendix 2	have a	
			<u>detrimental</u>	
			impact on the	
			significance,	
			character and	
			appearance of	
			the	
			conservation	
			area,	
			particularly as	
			the proposed	
			access point	
			requires	
			demolition of a	
			stone frontage	
			wall and a	
			group of	
			traditional farm	
			buildings (all	
			within the	
			conservation	
			area).	
			The J27	
			<u>Implications</u>	
			Report	
			presented to	
			Cabinet 15 th	
			<u>September</u>	
			2016 and Full	
			Council 22 nd	
			September	
			2016 noted	
			that other	
			potential sites	
			in Sampford	
			Peverell were	
			not considered	
			to be of an	
			<u>appropriate</u>	
			scale or would	
			<u>impact</u>	
			adversely on	

				heritage
				assets.
				See above
				under the
				rationale for selecting
				Higher Town.
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	Land adjoining	Yes	SA Report for	Rejected: This
	Poynings,		the Local Plan	option is
	<u>Uffculme</u>		Review	located within
			(Proposed	an area of the
			Submission	village which is
			consultation) February 2015	elevated and has a more
			- Appendix 2	distinctly rural
				character, with
				fewer buildings
				and with
				access being
				from the
				generally narrow Chapel
				Hill. The
				potential for
				change in
				character and
				visual and or
				<u>landscape</u>
				impacts
				determined the decision not to
				allocate this
				site.
				The J27
				Implications Report
				presented to
				Cabinet 15 th
				September
				2016 and Full
				Council 22 nd
				<u>September</u>
				2016 noted that sites in
				Uffculme were
				considered,
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			however were not proposed as allocations for the additional housing as the sites were not deemed to be appropriate extensions to the village, had access difficulties and some were in Minerals Safeguarding Areas.
Land adjacent Sunnydene, Uffculme	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	Rejected: This option is located at the edge of the settlement where the nearest dwellings are very low density and is accessed off the narrow Clay Lane. Although technically deliverable, the nature of the location of the site at some distance along the single carriageway lane is considered sufficient basis not to allocate. The J27 Implications Report

				presented to Cabinet 15th September 2016 and Full Council 22nd September 2016 noted that sites in Uffculme were considered, however were not proposed as allocations for the additional housing as the sites were not deemed to be appropriate extensions to the village, had access difficulties and some were in Minerals Safeguarding Areas.	
	Land off Chapel Hill, Uffculme	No	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015 – Appendix 2	This option has been confirmed as unavailable since the inclusion in the Local Plan Review Options Consultation (2014). Therefore this site is not a reasonable alternative to consider.	
	Land off Ashley Road, Uffculme	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed	Rejected: This option has planning permission on	0.1

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			Submission	the southern
			consultation)	extent and the
			February 2015	northern
			Appendix 2	extent is within
				the Hillhead
				Quarry
				Consultation
				Zone. The
				northern
				extent is also
				elevated in
				comparison
				with the
				adjacent
				housing to the
				east which
				could result in
				overlooking.
				For these
				reasons, the
				site is not
				preferred.
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				<u>The J27</u>
				<u>Implications</u>
				Report
				presented to
				Cabinet 15 th
				<u>September</u>
				2016 and Full
				Council 22 nd
				<u>September</u>
				<u>2016 noted</u>
				that sites in
				Uffculme were
				considered,
				however were
				not proposed
				as allocations
				for the
				<u>additional</u>
				housing as the
				sites were not
				deemed to be
				<u>appropriate</u>
				extensions to
				the village,
				had access
				difficulties and
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					some were in
					<u>Minerals</u>
					Safeguarding
					Areas.
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		Land west of	Yes	SA Report for	The
		Uffculme,		the Local Plan	development
		Uffculme		Review	of this site
				(Proposed	would extend
				Submission	the pattern of
				consultation)	the village in a
				February 2015	linear fashion
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				– Appendix 2	along the
					<u>B3440. It</u>
					would also
					result in long
					walking
					distances to
					the village's
					facilities, in
					particular the
					primary and
					secondary
					schools. In
					addition,
					inspectors
					<u>have</u>
					previously
					<u>drawn</u>
					attention to the
					present
					boundary of
					the village, to
					the front of
					Harvester,
					being a
					defined feature
					beyond which
					the village
					should not be
					extended.
					Further to a
					subsequent
					<u>appeal</u>
					decision and
					<u>alternative</u>
					inspector's
					comments, the
					majority option
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site area now has planning permission. The area with planning permission is now included in the Local Plan Review to reflect the decision at appeal. The option is therefore no longer reasonable. The J27 **Implications** Report presented to Cabinet 15th September 2016 and Full Council 22nd September 2016 noted that sites in Uffculme were considered, however were not proposed as allocations for the additional housing as the sites were not deemed to be <u>appropriate</u> extensions to the village, had access difficulties and some were in <u>Minerals</u> Safeguarding Areas.

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	Quicks Farm,	<u>Yes</u>	SA Report for	Rejected:	
	Willand		the Local Plan	Although the	
			Review	site scores	
			(Proposed	favourably in	
			Submission	the SA, it	
			consultation)	received the	
			February 2015	greatest level	
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			– Appendix 2	of objection of	
				all sites in the	
				village during	
				the Options	
				<u>consultation</u>	
				and therefore	
				was not	
				preferred at	
				the time. The	
				<u>J27</u>	
				Implications	
				Report	
				presented to	
				Cabinet 15 th	
				September	
				2016 and Full	
				Council 22 nd	
				September	
				2016 noted	
				that sites in	
				Willand were	
				considered.	
				Although there	
				<u>were</u>	
				<u>developable</u>	
				sites in the	
				<u>village, sites in</u>	
				Willand were	
				<u>not</u>	
				<u>recommended</u>	
				as Devon	
				<u>County</u>	
				Council had	
				advised that	
				development	
				of these sites	
				would	
				exacerbate	
				traffic	
				problems prior	
				to planned	
				future	
				<u>latare</u>	

				improvements.
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	Dean Hill	<u>Yes</u>	SA Report for	Rejected: The
	Road, Willand		the Local Plan	site is divorced
			Review	from the main
			(Proposed	body of
			Submission	Willand by the
			consultation)	motorway.
			February 2015 - Appendix 2	The J27 Implications
			- Appendix 2	Report
				presented to
				Cabinet 15 th
				September
				2016 and Full
				Council 22 nd
				September
				2016 noted
				that sites in
				Willand were
				considered.
				Although there
				<u>were</u>
				<u>developable</u>
				sites in the
				village, sites in
				Willand were
				not
				recommended
				as Devon
				County Council had
				advised that
				development
				of these sites
				would
				exacerbate
				traffic
				problems prior
				to planned
				<u>future</u>
				improvements.
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	Land NE of	<u>Yes</u>	SA Report for	Rejected: The
	Four Crosses		the Local Plan	site is very
	Roundabout,		Review	large which
	Willand		(Proposed	would expand
			Submission consultation)	the village
			consultation)	beyond the

			February 2015 – Appendix 2	boundary currently delineated by the busy roads of the B3181 and B3440. The J27 Implications Report presented to Cabinet 15th September 2016 and Full Council 22nd September 2016 noted that sites in Willand were considered. Although there were developable sites in the village, sites in Willand were not recommended as Devon County Council had advised that development of these sites would	
				advised that development	
	Lloyd Maunder Way, Willand	Yes	SA Report for the Local Plan Review (Proposed Submission consultation) February 2015	Rejected: The site is divorced from the main body of Willand by the motorway. The J27 Implications	00

			- Appendix 2 Report presented to Cabinet 15th September 2016 and Full Council 22th September 2016 noted that sites in Willand were considered. Although there were developable sites in the village, sites in Willand were not recommended as Devon County Council had advised that development of these sites would exacerbate traffic problems prior to planned future improvements.
SA18	60	Para 32	Reason: In response to LUC recommendation to present Annex 4 which includes a summary of updated SA findings could usefully be presented as a conclusions section in the main body of the SA Update. Move Annex 4 to the main body of the report and re-title 'Summary and Conclusions'. "Summary and Conclusions This chapter summarises the main changes made to the Local Plan Review following the appraisal of alternatives set out in Annex 2 and assesses the overall sustainability of the proposed Local Plan. The development of the Local Plan Review has been an on-going and iterative process with key

pieces of evidence influencing the selection and rejection of options. Through the Local Plan Review Proposed
Submission Consultation (2015) a number of alternatives were proposed, along with the presentation of new information. As a result a number of modifications to the proposed policies and supporting text of the plan are proposed. The full details of these proposed alternatives and new information are provided in annex 2 and 3. Annex 2 also sets out the reasons for selecting/rejecting the alternatives proposed. This annex summarises the main changes to the Local Plan Review following the appraisal of alternatives set out in annex 2, and assesses the overall sustainability of the Local Plan Review.

Strategic Policies

Policy S2: Amount and Distribution of development

An alternative to amend the dwelling target to 7,860 to meet the objectively assessed housing need (OAN) with the additional housing requirements of Junction 27 is preferred due to new information presented in the finalised Strategic Housing Market Area report which became available during the consultation on the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (2015) and following the Council decision on 22nd September 2016 to propose to allocate land at Junction 27 for a strategic scale employment site. Similarly the higher commercial growth scenario including the Junction 27 option is proposed as a modification to the plan.

Policy S3: Meeting housing needs

<u>Updates to the policy are proposed given the change to the OAN suggested in policy S2.</u>

Policy S4: Ensuring housing delivery

<u>Updates to the policy are proposed given the change to the OAN suggested in policy S2.</u>

Policy S5: Public open space

A change to the wording is proposed to clarify that the policy refers to the parish boundaries of the settlements noted.

Policy S12: Crediton

An additional criterion is proposed in the policy which is as follows 'community and education facilities and other infrastructure to support the development proposed' to reflect the need for a new primary school in Crediton.

Policy S14: Countryside

The removal of reference to the provision of gypsy and traveller accommodation in this policy is proposed to ensure the Plan is in conformity with national policy in which the 'Planning Policy for Traveller Sites' (2015) which requires that new sites for travellers should be very strictly limited in open countryside that is away from existing settlements or outside areas allocated in the development plan.

Site Allocations

Tiverton

TIV1-TIV5 Eastern Urban Extension

The policy is proposed to be amended to consider a housing range of 1580-1830 which reflects the permissions granted on area A and the potential for increased density in area B.

TIV14 Wynnards Mead

The policy is proposed to be deleted to reflect new information regarding the historic environment and flood risk.

OTIV4 Blundells School (Proposed for allocation TIV16)

This site is proposed to be allocated following the Council decision on the 22nd September to allocate land at Blundells School for residential development. New information provided includes the support of developing the site from the Environment Agency which has resulted in this proposed policy scoring more positively than the option considered in the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission consultation (2015).

<u>Cullompton</u>

CU1-CU6 North West Cullompton

Contributions from development to the Town Centre relief road and Junction 28 are proposed as modifications to the policy. In-line with the adopted North West Cullompton masterplan a change to the total commercial floorspace is proposed. The re-allocation of land to the south west of the site is also proposed.

CU7-CU12 East Cullompton

An additional criterion is proposed to ensure the setting of listed buildings adjoining the site is respected.

CU19 Town Centre Relief Road

Two additional criteria are proposed to ensure the protection of the setting of listed buildings and conservation area, and the provision of archaeological investigation and mitigation.

CU20 Cullompton Infrastructure

An additional criterion to state 'provision of works to reduce flood risk' has proposed as a modification to the plan.

Crediton

CRE2 Red Hill Cross, Exhibition Road

Additional supporting text is proposed to reflect the recommendation in the HEA to provide appropriate mitigation for Shobrooke Park to the east.

CRE3 Cromwells Meadow

Additional supporting text is proposed to reflect the recommendation in the HEA to provide appropriate mitigation for Shobrooke Park to the east. An additional criterion is also proposed to ensure archaeological investigation and mitigation.

CRE4 Woods Group

Additional supporting text is recommended which identifies non-listed heritages within the site.

CRE5 Pedlerspool

Amendment to the policy is made which includes the provision of a new school but removes the extra care scheme element in the policy.

CRE7 Stonewall Lane

A change to the supporting text of the Plan is recommended to ensure that adequate landscaping is provided to protect the heritage assets associated with the adjoining Creedy Park.

CRE10 Land south of A377

A change to the policy is proposed to include a small area to the south of the allocation up to the edge of the swale, covered by recent consent sought by Mole Avon. Although the scoring is lower for the pre-mitigation score of objective c) mitigating the effects of climate change, it is considered

appropriate and reasonable to allocate the original site area which has outline consent. Detailed design to mitigate flood risk will be considered at the reserved matters planning application stage. Mitigation through sensitive design with appropriate choice of materials and landscaping is also recommended for inclusion within the policy. An amendment to the supporting text is further proposed to make reference to the latest flood data and implications from redevelopment with mitigation measures such as layout, site and flood levels.

CRE11 Crediton Infrastructure

The following criterion is proposed for inclusion 'provision of works to reduce flood risk'.

Junction 27

Junction 27, M5 Motorway

An additional policy is proposed to reflect the Council decision on 22nd September 2016 to allocate land for tourism, leisure and retail at Junction 27 of the M5 motorway. Changes to the policy are reflected in the sustainability appraisal.

Rural Areas

School Close, Bampton

An allocation for 0.54(ha) 26 dwellings is proposed as a modification to the Plan. The site is currently allocated and was omitted in error as some of the site has been built out. For consistency, similar to other sites in the plan, the remaining area of the allocation which has not yet been built is proposed to remain as an allocation in the Plan.

CH1 Barton, Chawleigh

An additional criterion to state 'design solutions which respects the setting of the conservation area and listed building' is proposed. An amendment to the supporting text is also proposed to ensure appropriate landscaping to mitigate any potential impact on the conservation area and listed buildings.

CF1 Barnshill Close, Cheriton Fitzpaine

An additional criterion to minimise the impact on the conservation area and listed building is proposed.

HA1 Land adjacent Fishers Way, Halberton

An amendment to policy HA1 is proposed to delete reference to the need to 'archaeological investigations and appropriate mitigation measures' given the new information provided by the Devon County Council Archaeology Team that the proposed allocation will not impact on any known heritage assets and state that they would not need to be consulted should an application come forward. The addition of a criterion to ensure mitigation through appropriate design, materials and landscaping is proposed to protect the setting of Halberton conservation area is also proposed.

HE1 Depot, Hemyock

This site is proposed for deletion given the representations made during the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (2015) consultation raises an issue with the deliverability of the site during the plan period and is therefore no longer considered a reasonable alternative. The site will have a limited impact on the Local Plan as a whole given its size of 10 dwellings and may still come forward as a windfall site as it falls within the settlement limit.

NE1 Court Orchard, Newton St Cyres

A change to the policy and supporting text is proposed to ensure design which respects the setting of the conservation area.

OSP1 Higher Town, Sampford Peverell (Proposed for allocation SP2)

This site is proposed to be allocated following the Council decision on the 22nd September to allocate land at Higher Town for residential development. Since the proposed submission SA there has been confirmation that access is achievable and therefore the uncertainty has been removed.

OUF3 Land west of Uffculme (Proposed for allocation UF1)

A change to the plan is proposed to allocate this site given a 2016 appeal decision (APP/Y1138/W/15/3025120) allowing outline planning permission for a site of 3.49ha with 60 dwellings. Conclusions in the inspectors report have fed into the sustainability appraisal in which objectives b) built and historic environment and h) ensuring community health and wellbeing score more positively.

WI2 Willand Industrial Estate

The full allocation of 9.2ha, 22,000sqm of commercial floorspace is proposed to be allocated given that the

Council's original reasons for not allocating the full site have been addressed as the remainder of the site is now deliverable.

Managing Development

DM28 Other protected sites

The inclusion of reference to compensatory measures is proposed as a change to the policy to raise that in some cases where mitigation measures are not possible then compensatory measures may be appropriate.

Secondary/Cumulative/Synergistic impacts

Tiverton

Additional detail has been provided in the supporting text of S10 to reflect the cumulative traffic impacts on Junction 27 to be considered.

Cullompton

Additional criterion and supporting text has been included under a number of Cullompton allocation policies to reflect the cumulative impact on the road network.

Crediton

Additional text is provided in CRE7 is recognise the need for a Transport Assessment that will comprehensively assess the transport issues related to the development of the site, taking into account the potential cumulative impact of nearby allocations.

J27 Commercial Development

Additional evidence since the previous SA was commissioned specifically to examine the potential related housing implications of the proposed strategic scale employment site at Junction 27 on the M5 motorway. The results suggest a need of an additional 260 dwellings within Mid Devon District Council over the plan period. A Habitat Regulations Assessment of the Mid Devon Local Plan Review including Junction 27 has been undertaken which concludes that the J27 site allocation, alone or in combination with the Local Plan proposals, will not have an adverse effect on the integrity of the Culm Grasslands SAC.

Overall Sustainability of the Local Plan Review

In this latest update to the SA, changes to the Plan are

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			Strategic Policies
			Policy S2: Amount and Distribution of development
			An alternative to amend the dwelling target to 7,860 to meet the objectively assessed housing need (OAN) with the additional housing requirements of Junction 27 is preferred due to new information presented in the finalised Strategic Housing Market Area report which became available during the consultation on the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (2015) and following the Council decision on 22nd September 2016 to propose to allocate land at Junction 27 for a strategic scale employment site. Similarly the higher commercial growth scenario including the Junction 27 option is proposed as a modification to the plan.
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			Updates to the policy are proposed given the change to the OAN suggested in policy S2.
			Policy S4: Ensuring housing delivery

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Policy S5: Public open space

A change to the wording is proposed to clarify that the policy refers to the parish boundaries of the settlements noted.

Policy S12: Crediton

An additional criterion is proposed in the policy which is as follows 'community and education facilities and other infrastructure to support the development proposed' to reflect the need for a new primary school in Crediton.

Policy S14: Countryside

The removal of reference to the provision of gypsy and traveller accommodation in this policy is proposed to ensure the Plan is in conformity with national policy in which the 'Planning Policy for Traveller Sites' (2015) which requires that new sites for travellers should be very strictly limited in open countryside that is away from existing settlements or outside areas allocated in the development plan.

Site Allocations

Tiverton

TIV1-TIV5 Eastern Urban Extension

The policy is proposed to be amended to consider a housing range of 1580-1830 which reflects the permissions granted on area A and the potential for increased density in area B.

TIV14 Wynnards Mead

The policy is proposed to be deleted to reflect new information regarding the historic environment and flood risk.

OTIV4 Blundells School (Proposed for allocation TIV16)

This site is proposed to be allocated following the Council decision on the 22nd September to allocate land at Blundells School for residential development. New information provided includes the support of developing the site from the Environment Agency which has resulted in this proposed policy scoring more positively than the option considered in the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission consultation (2015).

Cullompton

CU1-CU6 North West Cullompton

Contributions from development to the Town Centre relief road and Junction 28 are proposed as modifications to the policy. In line with the adopted North West Cullompton masterplan a change to the total commercial floorspace is proposed. The re-allocation of land to the south west of the site is also proposed.

CU7-CU12 East Cullompton

An additional criterion is proposed to ensure the setting of listed buildings adjoining the site is respected.

CU19 Town Centre Relief Road

Two additional criteria are proposed to ensure the protection of the setting of listed buildings and conservation area, and the provision of archaeological investigation and mitigation.

CU20 Cullompton Infrastructure

An additional criterion to state 'provision of works to reduce flood risk' has proposed as a modification to the plan.

Crediton

CRE2 Red Hill Cross, Exhibition Road

Additional supporting text is proposed to reflect the recommendation in the HEA to provide appropriate mitigation for Shobrooke Park to the east.

CRE3 Cromwells Meadow

Additional supporting text is proposed to reflect the recommendation in the HEA to provide appropriate mitigation for Shobrooke Park to the east. An additional criterion is also proposed to ensure archaeological investigation and mitigation.

CRE4 Woods Group

Additional supporting text is recommended which identifies non-listed heritages within the site.

CRE5 Pedlerspool

Amendment to the policy is made which includes the provision of a new school but removes the extra care scheme

element in the policy.

CRE7 Stonewall Lane

A change to the supporting text of the Plan is recommended to ensure that adequate landscaping is provided to protect the heritage assets associated with the adjoining Creedy Park.

CRE10 Land south of A377

A change to the policy is proposed to include a small area to the south of the allocation up to the edge of the swale, covered by recent consent sought by Mole Avon. Although the scoring is lower for the pre-mitigation score of objective c) mitigating the effects of climate change, it is considered appropriate and reasonable to allocate the original site area which has outline consent. Detailed design to mitigate flood risk will be considered at the reserved matters planning application stage. Mitigation through sensitive design with appropriate choice of materials and landscaping is also recommended for inclusion within the policy. An amendment to the supporting text is further proposed to make reference to the latest flood data and implications from redevelopment with mitigation measures such as layout, site and flood levels.

CRE11 Crediton Infrastructure

The following criterion is proposed for inclusion 'provision of works to reduce flood risk'.

Junction 27

Junction 27, M5 Motorway

An additional policy is proposed to reflect the Council decision on 22nd September 2016 to allocate land for tourism, leisure and retail at Junction 27 of the M5 motorway. Changes to the policy are reflected in the sustainability appraisal.

Rural Areas

School Close, Bampton

An allocation for 0.54(ha) 26 dwellings is proposed as a modification to the Plan. The site is currently allocated and was omitted in error as some of the site has been built out. For consistency, similar to other sites in the plan, the remaining area of the allocation which has not yet been built is proposed to remain as an allocation in the Plan.

CH1 Barton, Chawleigh

An additional criterion to state 'design solutions which respects the setting of the conservation area and listed building' is proposed. An amendment to the supporting text is also proposed to ensure appropriate landscaping to mitigate any potential impact on the conservation area and listed buildings.

CF1 Barnshill Close, Cheriton Fitzpaine

An additional criterion to minimise the impact on the conservation area and listed building is proposed.

HA1 Land adjacent Fishers Way, Halberton

An amendment to policy HA1 is proposed to delete reference to the need to 'archaeological investigations and appropriate mitigation measures' given the new information provided by the Devon County Council Archaeology Team that the proposed allocation will not impact on any known heritage assets and state that they would not need to be consulted should an application come forward. The addition of a criterion to ensure mitigation through appropriate design, materials and landscaping is proposed to protect the setting of Halberton conservation area is also proposed.

HE1 Depot, Hemyock

This site is proposed for deletion given the representations made during the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (2015) consultation raises an issue with the deliverability of the site during the plan period and is therefore no longer considered a reasonable alternative. The site will have a limited impact on the Local Plan as a whole given its size of 10 dwellings and may still come forward as a windfall site as it falls within the settlement limit.

NE1 Court Orchard, Newton St Cyres

A change to the policy and supporting text is proposed to ensure design which respects the setting of the conservation area.

OSP1 Higher Town, Sampford Peverell (Proposed for allocation SP2)

This site is proposed to be allocated following the Council decision on the 22nd September to allocate land at Higher Town for residential development. Since the proposed submission SA there has been confirmation that access is achievable and therefore the uncertainty has been removed.

OUF3 Land west of Uffculme (Proposed for allocation UF1)

A change to the plan is proposed to allocate this site given a 2016 appeal decision (APP/Y1138/W/15/3025120) allowing outline planning permission for a site of 3.49ha with 60 dwellings. Conclusions in the inspectors report have fed into the sustainability appraisal in which objectives b) built and historic environment and h) ensuring community health and wellbeing score more positively.

WI2 Willand Industrial Estate

The full allocation of 9.2ha, 22,000sqm of commercial floorspace is proposed to be allocated given that the Council's original reasons for not allocating the full site have been addressed as the remainder of the site is now deliverable.

Managing Development

DM28 Other protected sites

The inclusion of reference to compensatory measures is proposed as a change to the policy to raise that in some cases where mitigation measures are not possible then compensatory measures may be appropriate.

Secondary/Cumulative/Synergistic impacts

Tiverton

Additional detail has been provided in the supporting text of S10 to reflect the cumulative traffic impacts on Junction 27 to be considered.

Cullompton

Additional criterion and supporting text has been included under a number of Cullompton allocation policies to reflect the cumulative impact on the road network.

Crediton

Additional text is provided in CRE7 is recognise the need for a Transport Assessment that will comprehensively assess the transport issues related to the development of the site, taking into account the potential cumulative impact of nearby allocations.

J27 Commercial Development

Additional evidence since the previous SA was commissioned specifically to examine the potential related housing implications of the proposed strategic scale employment site at Junction 27 on the M5 motorway. The results suggest a need of an additional 260 dwellings within Mid Devon District Council over the plan period. A Habitat Regulations Assessment of the Mid Devon Local Plan Review including Junction 27 has been undertaken which concludes that the J27 site allocation, alone or in combination with the Local Plan proposals, will not have an adverse effect on the integrity of the Culm Grasslands SAC.

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