

**WAKEFIELD METROPOLITAN
DISTRICT COUNCIL
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK**

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME 2005

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1.0 Introduction

The New Development Plan System

- 1.1 The Government has introduced changes to the way in which local planning authorities prepare the development plan for their area. The content and format of the plan will also be different. Wakefield's Unitary Development Plan First Alteration (UDP), which was adopted by the Council on 17th January 2003, will be replaced by a Local Development Framework (LDF)¹. The new system came into operation when Part 2 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act ('the Act') commenced on 28th September 2004.
- 1.2 Whereas the UDP was a single document, the LDF will be a portfolio of separate Local Development Documents (LDDs) some of which will be part of the statutory development plan (known as Development Plan Documents (DPDs)) whilst others will be non-statutory Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs), replacing current Supplementary Planning Guidance. DPDs will progressively replace the adopted UDP. SPDs include site development briefs and guidance on topics such as affordable housing.
- 1.3 Also, under the new system, the Selective Review of Regional Planning Guidance for Yorkshire & the Humber, issued by the First Secretary of State in December 2004, has become the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS). RSS, together with the UDP, now form Wakefield's statutory development plan, which is the basis upon which all planning decisions are made. New RSS is being prepared by the Yorkshire & Humber Assembly; a draft is due to be submitted to Government in September 2005. In future, new RSS, together with Development Plan Documents in the Council's LDF, will comprise the development plan for the District. It will be necessary for the Council to show that the strategy and policies in the LDF generally conform to those in RSS. Figure 1 shows the relationship between the various documents.
- 1.4 Under the new arrangements there will also be a clear link between the LDF and Wakefield's Community Strategy, *Fast Forward*. The LDF will address the spatial elements of *Fast Forward*, especially those which relate to the use and development of land. It will also need to take full account of the land-use consequences of other policies and programmes of the Council and stakeholders, and will not be restricted to matters which are implemented through the planning system.

The Purpose and Content of the Local Development Scheme

- 1.5 Under the 2004 Act the Council must prepare and maintain a scheme known as the 'Local Development Scheme' (LDS). The purpose of this LDS is to inform the local community about where the Council's current planning policies for the district can be found and to set out publicly the programme showing which Local Development Documents the Council intends to introduce over the next three years to replace and update those policies.

¹ A glossary of the terms used in this document is in Appendix 4.

- 1.6 The LDS provides summary details of the content of each Local Development Document, their relationships to each other and the timetable for their preparation, against which progress can be measured. More details are given in Tables 1 and 2, the Document Profiles in section 3 and supporting statement which appear below.
- 1.7 A draft LDS was approved by the Council in September 2004 and was made available on the Council's web-site. It has been the subject of consultation with the Government Office for Yorkshire & the Humber and the Council has also sought the views of the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) on the timetable for producing Development Plan Documents, particularly the proposed dates for public examinations. This final LDS was submitted to the Secretary of State in March 2005 for consideration and a decision on whether he should direct the local planning authority to amend the scheme.
- 1.8 Progress in delivering the LDS programme will be reviewed annually and the scheme will be rolled forward to reflect the need for new or amended Local Development Documents to be prepared to keep the LDF up to date and relevant (see section 2 below). The Council will continue to keep in regular communication with the Government Office to ensure the next review of the LDS receives prompt consideration.
- 1.9 The Council is committed to the programme set out in this LDS because of the benefits that an up to date and effective development plan and supplementary policies can have, including:
- Support from the local community and stakeholders for the future development of an area;
 - Providing a means for co-ordinating the activities of different Council services, agencies and organisations;
 - The role of plans in promoting regeneration and investment, by creating certainty and commitment to change and improvement;
 - The need to link bids for public funds to a coherent and soundly based strategy for an area;
 - Providing local detail to implement the objectives and policies of the Regional Spatial Strategy;
 - Providing a strongly justified basis for successful negotiations over development proposals and for developer contributions.

Stakeholder and Community Involvement

- 1.10 Stakeholder and community involvement is a fundamental requirement of the planning system. The LDS three-year programme includes "consultation milestones" to inform stakeholders about when consultation will take place and to make clear to the public about opportunities to get involved with the plan-making process and to let them know the likely dates for community engagement.
- 1.11 Once the Secretary of State has considered the LDS and decided that it does not need to be amended, the Council will alert consultation bodies to the timetable to assist with the process of consultation and give them extra time to gear themselves up to respond to future consultations.
- 1.12 Details of how the community and stakeholders will be involved in the preparation of Local Development Documents are contained in a separate document – the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). Details of the timetable for preparing the SCI are contained in Tables 1 and 2, the SCI profile and supporting statement below.

- 1.13 This LDS is publicly available from the Council or via the Council's web-site at www.wakefield.gov.uk/ldf. Its availability will be advertised in the local press and in the Council's newspaper 'The Citizen'.

2.0 Proposed Local Development Documents

Saved Plans

- 2.1 In the period between commencement of the new development plan system and the completion of the first Local Development Documents, the legislation allows local authorities to 'save' automatically policies and proposals in existing development plans for a period of three years, until September 2007.
- 2.2 The Council's current planning policies and proposals for the district are contained in the Wakefield Unitary Development Plan First Alteration (UDP), which was adopted by the Council in January 2003. The UDP is considered still to be relevant and up-to-date and the Council proposes that the majority of its policies and proposals should be 'saved' initially until April 2008, so that the UDP will form part of the LDF and, along with RSS, will continue to be the statutory development plan for Wakefield Metropolitan District. The UDP comprises:

Volumes 1 & 2 – Part 1 Development Strategy and Policies and Part 2 Policy Reasoned Justification
Volume 3 – Part 2 Northern Area
Volume 4 – Part 2 South East Area
Volume 5 – Part 2 Western Area

The full plan text and maps can be viewed on the Council's web-site at www.wakefield.gov.uk. Alternatively, copies can be obtained from the Council at a cost of £7.50 per volume.

- 2.3 The Council will bring forward Development Plan Documents (DPDs) to replace different parts of the UDP, in accordance with the details and timetable set out in Tables 1 and 2, the Document Profiles in section 3 and supporting statement in this document. Appendix 1 lists the policies and proposals in the UDP and shows how these are to be replaced, deleted or merged through the preparation of DPDs.
- 2.4 Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) does not form part of the adopted UDP but amplifies particular policies or proposals in the Plan. SPG cannot be saved under the new system but the items listed in Appendix 2 will continue to be a material consideration when planning applications are determined until they are replaced by new Development Plan Documents or Supplementary Planning Documents. Appendix 2 also shows the saved UDP policies/proposals to which each item of SPG relates.

New Local Development Documents

- 2.5 Table 1 lists the new Local Development Documents (LDDs) which Wakefield Metropolitan District Council proposes to produce initially, together with their roles, chains of conformity and the main milestones during preparation. Table 2 is a simple Gantt chart providing an overview of the timetable and project management for preparing the new LDDs. Section 3 provides a profile of each document. Tables 1 and 2 and the profiles highlight the key milestones from the point when each document will be first in the public domain through to its adoption. The LDDs are:

Development Plan Documents

- Core Strategy
- Site Specific Policies & Proposals
- Development Control Policies
- Waste
- Central Wakefield Area Action Plan

Supplementary Planning Documents

- Designing for Community Safety Guide

Non-Development Plan Local Development Document

- Statement of Community Involvement

- 2.6 Tables 1 and 2 and the profiles show that two important DPDs, Site Specific Policies & Proposals and Development Control Policies DPDs, are not due to be adopted until December 2007 and April 2008 respectively, after the end of the three year saving period. It is therefore proposed that the policies and proposals in the UDP to be replaced by these DPDs be saved for a period of three years and seven months, until April 2008, to allow these documents to be completed.
- 2.7 It is not intended that the documents listed above will replace all the existing policies and proposals in the UDP. Following discussions with the Government Office, it is proposed that the Site Specific Policies & Proposals DPD and Development Control Policies DPD should not include leisure and retailing. Policies and proposals in the UDP relating to these topics will be saved for a longer period (see Appendix 3 for details) and in due course new Development Plan Documents (DPDs) will be prepared to replace the relevant parts of the UDP. Discussions will continue with Government Office about the timetable for these documents. Details will be included in a future annual review of the Local Development Scheme.
- 2.8 Eventually, it will be necessary to prepare Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) to replace some or all of the Supplementary Planning Guidance listed in Appendix 2. Also, it may be appropriate to prepare new SPDs for sites proposed for development in the saved UDP or in new DPDs if development on these sites is imminent. This will be addressed in the annual review of the Local Development Scheme.
- 2.9 In addition to the document itself, the following supporting documents or statements will be published for each Local Development Document:
- a statement of conformity with the Regional Spatial Strategy;
 - a report of the Strategic Environmental Assessment / Sustainability Appraisal undertaken;
 - an explanation of the steps taken to ensure that the document has been produced in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement.
- All these will be available publicly.
- 2.10 The process for preparing all Local Development Documents (LDDs) is similar except that those which are Development Plan Documents (DPDs) will be the subject of an independent public examination held by a Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State to test the soundness of the document and to hear objections made during the formal public consultation period. The Council will be obliged to accept any changes identified in the Inspector's report before adopting the DPD. Non-statutory Supplementary Planning Documents will not require a public examination, but they will be the subject of consultation and public engagement by the Council before they are adopted.

- 2.11 The Proposals Maps (with inset maps) are currently the three area maps in the adopted Wakefield UDP First Alteration, but these will be replaced when new DPDs are adopted and then kept up to date whenever a further DPD is adopted.

Monitoring & Review

- 2.12 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) will be kept up to date and will be reviewed at least annually. The Council is required to prepare an Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) showing how effective its policies and proposals are in meeting the vision and the Core Strategy DPD (when prepared). The report must be submitted to the Secretary of State by the end of December each year, reflecting the situation at the end of the previous March and will be available publicly. The first AMR is due to be published by December 2005.

- 2.13 The Council will assess:

- whether it is meeting, or is on track to meet, the policy targets set out in its Local Development Documents (LDD) and, if not, the reasons why;
- what impact LDD policies are having on other targets set at national, regional or local level;
- whether any policies need to be replaced to meet sustainable development objectives;
- what action needs to be taken if policies need to be replaced or altered to reflect changes in national or regional policy.

As a result of monitoring, the Council will consider what changes, if any, need to be made to its LDDs and will bring forward these changes through the annual review of the LDS.

- 2.14 The AMR will also assess progress in preparing LDDs over the year compared to the targets set out in the LDS. If the Council is falling behind schedule or has failed to meet a target, the AMR will set out the reasons for this. If the timetable needs to be changed, or if a document is no longer required, or if a new document is to be produced, the LDS will be updated to include the necessary changes at the same time as it is rolled forward each year.
- 2.15 There may also be a need to make changes to the LDS in the period between annual reviews if the LDF programme is amended or where a need to revise and/or prepare a new LDD is identified. The Government Office will be consulted about proposed changes to the LDS.

Figure 1. Wakefield Initial Local Development Framework and Development Plan

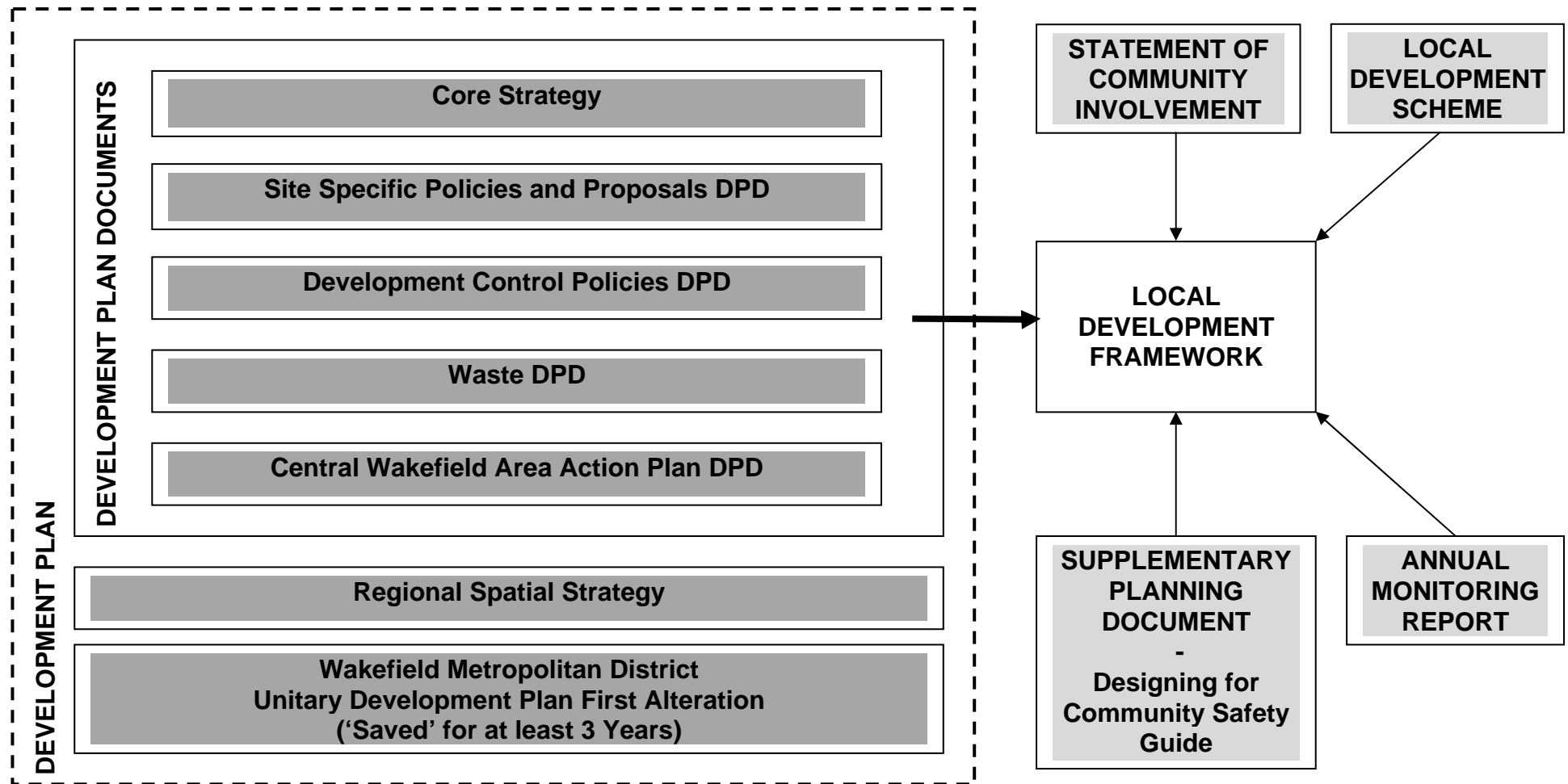


TABLE 1 – SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS

Document Name	Status	Role and Content	Chain of Conformity	Early Community Engagement	Pre-Submission Consultation – Issues & Options	Pre-Submission Public Participation – Preferred Options Report and Sustainability Report	Publication of Draft (SPDs only) Pre-Adoption Consultation & Public Participation	Submission to Secretary of State – Formal Consultation Period	Start Date for Public Examination	Receipt of Inspector's Binding Report	Estimated Date of Adoption by Council
Core Strategy	Development Plan Document	Sets out the district-wide vision, objectives and spatial development strategy to deliver the Community Strategy.	Must be in general conformity with RSS. All other LDDs to be in conformity with core strategy.	July 2004 to December 2004	January 2005 to February 2005	August 2005 to September 2005	N/A	March 2006 to April 2006	November 2006	April 2007	June 2007
Statement of Community Involvement	Non Development Plan Local Development Document	Sets out the vision and standards for community engagement on LDDs and planning applications.	Must be in conformity with regulations.	Scoping & Consultation on Preparation of Draft September 2004 to March 2005		Pre-submission Public Participation on Draft April 2005 to May 2005	N/A	July 2005 to August 2005	November 2005	December 2005	January 2006
Site Specific Policies and Proposals	Development Plan Document	Provides details of sites allocated for specific purposes and related policies.	With Core Strategy	July 2004 to December 2004	January 2005 to February 2005	February 2006 to March 2006	N/A	January 2007 to February 2007	September 2007	February 2008	April 2008
Development Control Policies	Development Plan Document	Provides the framework for development control and replaces saved UDP policies.	With Core Strategy	July 2004 to December 2004	January 2005 to February 2005	November 2005 to December 2005	N/A	September 2006 to October 2006	May 2007	October 2007	December 2007

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Central Wakefield Area Action Plan	Development Plan Document	Provides the framework for urban renaissance and guidance on key development opportunities.	With Core Strategy	September 2004 to February 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	January 2006 to February 2006	N/A	September 2006 to October 2006	May 2007	October 2007	December 2007
Waste DPD	Development Plan Document	Provides the framework for the management and disposal of waste.	With Core Strategy	June 2006 to July 2006	August 2006 to September 2006	February 2007 to March 2007	N/A	September 2007 to October 2007	May 2008	October 2008	December 2008
Designing for Community Safety Guide	Supplementary Planning Document	Shows how good design can help create safe, sustainable communities.	With Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	Being carried out by Leeds City Council on behalf of 4 West Yorkshire local authorities.	N/A	N/A	Being carried out by Leeds City Council on behalf of 4 West Yorkshire local authorities.	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not known

3.0 PROFILES OF EACH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENT

Document Details	
Title.	Core Strategy
Role and Subject	Strategic document setting out the vision and spatial strategy for meeting known and anticipated development requirements to 2021. It will include strategic policies and a statement of the number of dwellings required. It will not include details of land allocations nor primary development control policies – these will be in separate documents.
Coverage	District-wide
Status	Development Plan Document
Chain of Conformity	With existing and emerging new Regional Spatial Strategy.
Timetable	
Pre-Production and Early Community Engagement	July 2004 to December 2004
Pre-Submission Consultation – Issues & Options	January 2005 to February 2005
Pre-Submission Public Participation – Preferred Options Report and Sustainability Report	August 2005 to September 2005
Consideration of Representations, preparation of Submission DPD and any amendments to Sustainability Report	October 2005 to February 2006
Submission of DPD and Sustainability Report to Secretary of State	March 2006
Formal Consultation on Submission DPD and Sustainability Report	March 2006 to April 2006
Pre-examination Consideration of Representations	May 2006 to October 2006
Pre-examination Meeting	August 2006
Public Examination Period	November 2006 to December 2006
Receipt of Inspector's Binding Report	April 2007
Estimated Date of Adoption and Publication of DPD by Council	June 2007
Arrangements for Production	
Lead within the Council	Head of Regeneration & Economic Development
Management Arrangements	Officer Steering Group with advice from LDF Sounding Board (Members).
Political Management	Decisions for all pre-submission stages delegated to Deputy Chief Executive after considering the views of the LDF Sounding Board. Full Council Resolution required for submission and adoption stages.
Council resources required to produce the DPD	Spatial Policy Manager and Land Use Strategy Team in consultation with other services and with corporate support.
Community & Stakeholder Involvement	See Statement of Community Involvement
Post Production	
Monitoring and Review	Annual Monitoring Report

Document Details	
Title.	Statement of Community Involvement
Role and Subject	Council's vision and standards for engagement with stakeholders and the community on Local Development Documents and planning applications.
Coverage	District-wide and involving organisations external to the district.
Status	Non-Development Plan Local Development Document
Chain of Conformity	Must at least meet minimum requirements in the regulations and will comply with the Council's Community Engagement Framework.
Timetable	
Scoping and Consultation on preparation of Draft SCI	September 2004 to March 2005
Pre-submission Public Participation on Draft SCI	April 2005 to May 2005
Consideration of Representations, preparation of Submission SCI	May 2005 to June 2005
Submission of SCI to Secretary of State	July 2005
Formal Consultation on Submission SCI	July 2005 to August 2005
Pre-examination Consideration of Representations	September 2005 to October 2005
Public Examination Period	November 2005
Receipt of Inspector's Binding Report	December 2005
Estimated Date of Adoption and Publication of SCI by Council	January 2006
Arrangements for Production	
Lead within the Council	Head of Corporate Communications – to reflect the need to integrate with the Council's Community Engagement Framework.
Management Arrangements	Officer Steering Group with advice from LDF Sounding Board (Members).
Political Management	Decisions for all pre-submission stages delegated to Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with Cabinet Member/Spokesperson after considering the views of the LDF Sounding Board. Full Council Resolution required for submission and adoption stages.
Council resources required to produce the LDD	Research & Information Manager in consultation with Land Use Strategy Team and Development Control.
Community & Stakeholder Involvement	The Council has approved a Community Engagement Framework. It proposes to carry out consultation and engagement on the draft SCI using appropriate methods from the Framework including consultation with residents, members of the Wakefield District Partnership and specific consultation bodies defined in Regulations.

Document Details	
Title.	Site Specific Policies and Proposals
Role and Subject	To provide a set of site-specific policies and proposals to meet the aims of the Core Strategy for promoting certain types development and for conserving the natural and built environment in specific locations To include land allocations for housing, employment and mixed use to meet anticipated development needs. These policies and proposals will replace those in the saved Wakefield Metropolitan District Unitary Development Plan First Alteration. Separate Development Plan Documents for leisure and retailing will be prepared at a later date to replace site specific policies and proposals in the UDP relating to these topics.
Coverage	District-wide
Status	Development Plan Document
Chain of Conformity	With Core Strategy, existing and emerging new Regional Spatial Strategy, and national planning policy statements and guidance.
Timetable	
Pre-production and Early Community Engagement	July 2004 to December 2004
Pre-Submission Consultation – Issues & Options	January 2005 to February 2005
Pre-Submission Public Participation – Preferred Options Report and Sustainability Report	February 2006 to March 2006
Consideration of Representations, preparation of Submission DPD and any amendments to Sustainability Report	April 2006 to December 2006
Submission of DPD and Sustainability Report to Secretary of State	January 2007
Formal Consultation on Submission DPD and Sustainability Report	January 2007 to February 2007
Pre-examination Consideration of Representations	March 2007 to August 2007
Pre-examination Meeting	June 2007
Public Examination Period	September 2007 to October 2007
Receipt of Inspector's Binding Report	February 2008
Estimated Date of Adoption and Publication of DPD by Council	April 2008
Arrangements for Production	
Lead within the Council	Head of Regeneration & Economic Development
Management Arrangements	Officer Steering Group with advice from LDF Sounding Board (Members).
Political Management	Decisions for all pre-submission stages delegated to Deputy Chief Executive after considering the views of the LDF Sounding Board. Full Council Resolution required for submission and adoption stages.
Council resources required to produce the DPD	Spatial Policy Manager and Land Use Strategy Team in consultation with other services and with corporate support.
Community & Stakeholder Involvement	See Statement of Community Involvement
Post Production	
Monitoring and Review	Annual Monitoring Report

Document Details	
Title.	Development Control Policies
Role and Subject	To provide a set of generic development control policies to guide development for which locational or site-specific provision has not been made in other Development Plan Documents. These will replace policies in the saved Wakefield Metropolitan District Unitary Development Plan First Alteration. Separate Development Plan Documents for leisure and retailing will be prepared at a later date to replace policies in the UDP relating to these topics.
Coverage	District-wide
Status	Development Plan Document
Chain of Conformity	With Core Strategy, existing and emerging new Regional Spatial Strategy, and national planning policy statements and guidance.
Timetable	
Pre-Production and Early Community Engagement	July 2004 to December 2004
Pre-Submission Consultation – Issues & Options	January 2005 to February 2005
Pre-Submission Public Participation – Preferred Options Report and Sustainability Report	November 2005 to December 2005
Consideration of Representations, preparation of Submission DPD and any amendments to Sustainability Report	January 2006 to August 2006
Submission of DPD and Sustainability Report to Secretary of State	September 2006
Formal Consultation on Submission DPD and Sustainability Report	September 2006 to October 2006
Pre-examination Consideration of Representations	November 2006 to April 2007
Pre-examination Meeting	February 2007
Public Examination Period	May 2007 to June 2007
Receipt of Inspector's Binding Report	October 2007
Estimated Date of Adoption and Publication of DPD by Council	December 2007
Arrangements for Production	
Lead within the Council	Head of Regeneration & Economic Development
Management Arrangements	Officer Steering Group with advice from LDF Sounding Board (Members).
Political Management	Decisions for all pre-submission stages delegated to Deputy Chief Executive after considering the views of the LDF Sounding Board. Full Council Resolution required for submission and adoption stages.
Council resources required to produce the DPD	Spatial Policy Manager and Land Use Strategy Team in consultation with other services and with corporate support.
Community & Stakeholder Involvement	See Statement of Community Involvement
Post Production	
Monitoring and Review	Annual Monitoring Report

Document Details	
Title.	Central Wakefield Area Action Plan
Role and Subject	Provides framework for urban renaissance and guidance on key development opportunities. It will replace policies and proposals in Volume 5 of the saved Wakefield Metropolitan District Unitary Development Plan First Alteration.
Coverage	Central Wakefield
Status	Development Plan Document
Chain of Conformity	With Core Strategy, existing and emerging new Regional Spatial Strategy, and national planning policy statements and guidance.
Timetable	
Pre-Production and Early Community Engagement	September 2004 to February 2005
Pre-Submission Consultation – Issues & Options	June 2005 to July 2005
Pre-Submission Public Participation – Preferred Options Report and sustainability Report	January 2006 to February 2006
Consideration of Representations, preparation of Submission DPD and any amendments to Sustainability Report	March 2006 to August 2006
Submission of DPD and Sustainability Report to Secretary of State	September 2006
Formal Consultation on submission DPD and Sustainability Report	September 2006 to October 2006
Pre-examination Consideration of Representations	November 2006 to April 2007
Pre-examination Meeting	February 2007
Public Examination Period	May 2007 to June 2007
Receipt of Inspector's Binding Report	October 2007
Estimated Date of Adoption and Publication of DPD by Council	December 2007
Arrangements for Production	
Lead within the Council	Head of Regeneration & Economic Development
Management Arrangements	Officer Steering Group with advice from LDF Sounding Board (Members) and Regeneration Board (Members).
Political Management	Decisions for all pre-submission stages delegated to Deputy Chief Executive after considering the views of the LDF Sounding Board. Full Council Resolution required for submission and adoption stages.
Council resources required to produce the DPD	Wakefield City Regeneration Team in consultation with other services and with corporate support.
Community & Stakeholder Involvement	See Statement of Community Involvement
Post Production	
Monitoring and Review	Annual Monitoring Report

Document Details	
Title.	Waste Management
Role and Subject	To provide the framework for the management and disposal of waste in the District including, where appropriate, site specific proposals for waste facilities and policies to guide the location of new waste-related development.
Coverage	District-wide
Status	Development Plan Document
Chain of Conformity	With Core Strategy, existing and emerging new Regional Spatial Strategy, and national planning policy statements and guidance.
Timetable	
Pre-Production and Early Community Engagement	June 2006 to July 2006
Pre-Submission Consultation – Issues & Options	August 2006 to September 2006
Pre-Submission Public Participation – Preferred Options Report and Sustainability Report	February 2007 to March 2007
Consideration of Representations, preparation of Submission DPD and any amendments to Sustainability Report	April 2007 to August 2007
Submission of DPD to Secretary of State	September 2007
Formal Consultation Period on Submission DPD	September 2007 to October 2007
Pre-examination Consideration of Representations	November 2007 to April 2008
Pre-examination Meeting	February 2008
Public Examination Period	May 2008 to June 2008
Receipt of Inspector's Binding Report	October 2008
Estimated Date of Adoption and Publication of DPD by Council	December 2008
Arrangements for Production	
Lead within the Council	Head of Regeneration & Economic Development in consultation with Head of Waste & Environmental Health
Management Arrangements	Officer Steering Group with advice from LDF Sounding Board (Members).
Political Management	Decisions for all pre-submission stages delegated to Deputy Chief Executive after considering the views of the LDF Sounding Board. Full Council Resolution required for submission and adoption stages.
Council resources required to produce the DPD	Officers from Land Use Strategy Team, Planning Services and Waste Services, with corporate support.
Community & Stakeholder Involvement	See Statement of Community Involvement
Post Production	
Monitoring and Review	Annual Monitoring Report

Document Details	
Title.	Designing for Community Safety Guide
Role and Subject	Demonstrates how good design can help create safe, sustainable communities.
Coverage	District-wide
Status	Supplementary Planning Document
Chain of Conformity	With Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD
Timetable	
Early Community Engagement in preparation of Draft SPD and Sustainability Report	N/A
Pre-Adoption Consultation and Public Participation on Draft SPD and Sustainability Report	N/A
Consideration of Representations, preparation of Adoption SPD	N/A
Estimated Date of Adoption and Publication of SPD by Council	Not known at this stage
Arrangements for Production	
Lead within the Council	Head of Regeneration & Economic Development
Management Arrangements	N/A
Political Management	Full Council Resolution required for adoption stage.
Council resources required to produce the LDD	N/A
Community & Stakeholder Involvement.	Being carried out by Leeds City Council on behalf of 4 West Yorkshire local authorities.

4.0 Supporting Statement

- 4.1 This statement explains and justifies the approach set out in the LDS. It also explains how resources and the evidence base will be managed.

Regional Planning Context

- 4.2 As noted in paragraph 1.3 above, the Selective Review of Regional Planning Guidance for Yorkshire & the Humber, issued by the First Secretary of State in December 2004, is now the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) and provides the initial strategic context within which Wakefield's LDF will be prepared. Following commencement, the RSS has become part of Wakefield's development plan. New RSS is being prepared by the Yorkshire & Humber Assembly; a draft is due to be submitted to the First Secretary of State by September 2005.
- 4.3 RSS is more important and has a significantly greater impact than RPG. It will be necessary for the LDF's strategy and policies to be in general conformity with the RSS. New housing and employment sites and other major development proposals in the LDF will need to comply with policies in the RSS about the location of new development. RSS will also be a material consideration when the Council determines some major planning applications. The regional transport strategy, part of RSS, provides a regional and sub-regional context for the preparation of the West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan.
- 4.4 RSS currently sets the requirement for additional housing in each strategic authority in the region and the percentage to be provided on previously developed land. Wakefield's requirement for the period 2001-2016 is 950 dwelling per annum, of which 61% should be on brownfield land. The scale of the regional housing requirement and the method by which it is distributed to individual authorities is being re-assessed during the preparation of new RSS. For the LDF to be in place within the timescale shown in this LDS, it is necessary to begin to prepare the Core Strategy in conformity with existing RSS though increasing account will be taken of the new RSS as it progresses through the statutory procedures.
- 4.5 New RSS will include policies for sub-areas of the region. Wakefield lies within the Leeds City Region sub-area. Policies and proposals in RSS relating to this sub-area will provide a context for the preparation of the LDF, particularly the Core Strategy DPD.

The Community Strategy & Other Strategies

- 4.6 There will also be a clear link between the LDF and Wakefield's Community Strategy, *Fast Forward*. It is intended that the LDF will provide an agreed spatial vision for the district signed up to by communities and stakeholders and that together the documents in the LDF will set out the spatial strategy to implement the vision.
- 4.7 *Fast Forward* is kept under review each year and updated on the basis of best available information. Individual Local Development Documents (LDDs) will have regard to the Community Strategy to ensure that land-use requirements arising from that strategy are addressed. In turn, as it is updated, the Community Strategy is expected to address issues that arise from those development requirements driven by RSS/LDF to ensure that partners have their plans in place to support development requirements.

- 4.8 Opportunities will be taken to co-ordinate community & stakeholder engagement for both the Community Strategy and LDDs, provided statutory requirements can be met. The Statement of Community Involvement gives more details about how consultation and engagement will be carried out. Council officers with specific responsibility for engagement will be actively involved in preparing and implementing the Statement of Community Involvement (see paragraph 4.21 below) to make sure that engagement is co-ordinated with Community Strategy work wherever possible.
- 4.9 The Council and its partners have a number of strategies that have land-use implications. Most of these have not been produced specifically for planning purposes but they will be taken into account in the preparation of LDDs in so far as they are relevant and they accord with the Community Strategy. These are:
- Housing Strategy 2004-2008
 - Regenerating the Wakefield District Strategy Report 2003-2006
 - Greenspace Strategy 2004-2009
 - Draft Consultation Sports Strategy 2001-2005
 - Cultural Strategy 2003-2015
 - Wakefield District Community Safety Strategy 2002-2005
 - Wakefield District Local Bio-diversity Report
 - Strategy for the Management of Municipal Waste in Wakefield
 - Castleford Town Centre Strategy 2002-2012.
- 4.10 There is a direct relationship between land use and transport and this will be reflected in the close integration of policies and proposals in the West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan and the LDF. A new Local Transport Plan will be submitted to Government by July 2005.

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Sustainability Appraisal (SA).

- 4.11 All new development plans commenced after July 2004 or to be adopted after July 2006 must comply with the requirements of the EU Directive on Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA). The Government has issued further draft guidance on how this is to be widened to encompass social and economic issues in a full Sustainability Appraisal (SA). As a result, during the process of preparing LDDs there is a need to:
- identify strategic alternatives;
 - collect base-line monitoring information;
 - predict significant environmental effects;
 - carry out greater consultation with the environmental authorities and other bodies;
 - address and monitor the significant environmental, economic and social effects of the plan.
- 4.12 As part of the process of preparing LDDs, it will be necessary to:
- appraising the significant effects of different options on sustainability;
 - prepare a sustainability appraisal report of the preferred options and carry out consultation;
 - take into account the sustainability appraisal report and the results of consultation in decision making;
 - prepare a final sustainability appraisal report at the time of submission to the Secretary of State;
 - provide information when the plan is adopted and show how the results of the sustainability appraisal have been taken into account.

- 4.13 The SEA Directive will apply to a number of plans and strategies which the Council is required to produce by statute, not just the LDF. The Council will seek to address this issue corporately and will be developing baseline information and ensuring that procedures for consultation with stakeholders and the community are in place to fulfil SEA requirements. SEA/SA will be embedded into production of LDDs from the outset. Those preparing LDDs (see paragraph 4.20 below) will work with the Community Planning Team in the Chief Executive's Office but it will be necessary to rely on some external assistance to help to ensure that the full requirements of SEA/SA are met.

Evidence Base and Monitoring,

- 4.14 In preparing LDDs a range of background work needs to be undertaken and taken into account. The following studies and monitoring regimes have been set up to provide the necessary evidence base for LDDs and to help secure baseline information for SEA/SA.
- Annual housing completions and land supply information. Feeds into RSS and LDF Annual Monitoring Reports.
 - Annual employment land completions and supply information. Feeds into RSS and LDF Annual Monitoring Reports.
 - Urban Potential Study 2001. Has been updated to 2004 and issued as part of the evidence base for the LDF.
 - Housing Needs Statement. Provides an assessment of the need for affordable housing in the district. Issued annually by Housing Services.
 - West Yorkshire Retail Study 1998. Prepared for the West Yorkshire authorities by Colliers Erdman Lewis.
 - Landscape Character Assessment. Report prepared. Issued as part of the evidence base for the LDF.
 - Strategic Flood Risk Assessment. Joint assessment for Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield Councils being undertaken by consultants. Stage 1 due for completion early in 2005. To be issued as part of the evidence base for the LDF.
- 4.15 The studies and information listed above are being prepared for or by the Council. Each is or will be published and will be available before or at the same time as the LDD which relies on it. Other studies will be commissioned as required.

Identified Priorities

- 4.16 Priorities for the LDF flow from:
- the need to review policies and proposals set out in the currently adopted UDP;
 - land-use requirements arising from the Community Strategy and other strategies of the Council and partners;
 - new legislation and regulations;
 - the results of monitoring and other evidence gathering;
 - discussions with Government Office and Yorkshire & Humber Assembly; and
 - known developer interest.
- 4.17 Priorities for LDD preparation are:
- Core Strategy DPD required under the new legislation and regulations.
 - Statement of Community Involvement required under the new legislation and regulations.
 - Site Specific Policies and Proposals DPD relating in particular to housing, employment and mixed uses but also including other UDP designations not saved after April 2008 or included in the Central Wakefield Area Action Plan.

- Proposals Map (and inset maps).
 - Development Control Policies DPD to provide a clear set of generic development control policies to guide development, replacing policies in the UDP not saved after April 2008.
 - Central Wakefield Area Action Plan.
 - Waste DPD to include criteria based policies for the location of new waste facilities and site specific proposals, where appropriate.
- More details of these are given in paragraph 4.29.

Joint Working

- 4.18 Wakefield Council has a proven track record of working with neighbouring authorities (including those outside West Yorkshire) and with the Yorkshire & Humber Assembly. The Council is working with neighbouring authorities and the Government Office, under the leadership of the Yorkshire & Humber Assembly, on preparation of the RSS.
- 4.19 The Designing for Community Safety Guide, produced by West Yorkshire Police in consultation with four West Yorkshire planning authorities, referred to in Tables 1 and 2, is to be adopted by individual councils following consultation by Leeds City Council on behalf of all five authorities. Apart from this, it is not the Council's intention to set up joint working arrangements with neighbouring authorities to prepare LDDs.

Resources

- 4.20 The core resource available is the Land Use Strategy Team in the Spatial Policy Group within the Council's Regeneration & Housing Services. The team will take the lead in preparing all the DPDs listed in Tables 1 and 2 apart from the SCI, the Central Wakefield Area Action Plan and the Waste DPD. It comprises:
- 1 x Team Leader
 - 2 x Project Leaders
 - 3 x Senior Project Officers
 - 2 x Project Officers
- The team will work collaboratively throughout with officers in other parts of Regeneration & Housing Services, notably Development Control, the Area Regeneration Teams and Housing Services. Other Council services will contribute to policy development and site identification. In addition, reflecting the nature of the LDF as a corporate document, corporate resources will be involved in:
- Community Engagement.
 - Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) / Sustainability Appraisal (SA).
 - Administration.
- 4.21 The new planning system relies on engagement with the community and stakeholders to a much greater degree than was the case with the UDP. A high level of skill and experience will be needed to achieve effective engagement and officers who are responsible for corporate engagement activities will be relied upon to achieve the necessary standards. The Head of Partnerships & Neighbourhoods in the Chief Executive's Office will oversee the process of involving local communities and stakeholders at the appropriate time and using the methods agreed in the Statement of Community Involvement.

Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)

- 4.22 The SCI sets out the standards and approach to involving stakeholders and the community in the production of all LDDs and major planning applications. The SCI is itself an LDD which must be subject to public consultation and a public examination if formal objections are made. It is linked closely to the Council's Community

Engagement Framework. Responsibility for overseeing preparation of the SCI will rest with the Head of Corporate Communications and the process will be managed by an officer steering group with advice from LDF Sounding Board (Members).

Central Wakefield Area Action Plan

- 4.23 The Wakefield Regeneration Team will have responsibility for preparing the Central Wakefield Area Action Plan DPD working closely with officers preparing the other main DPDs. The timetable for the preparation of this Area Action Plan shows that the later stages will run in parallel with production of the Development Control Policies DPD. However, these two documents will be the subject of separate consultation and engagement and separate public examinations involving different officers.

Programme Management & Responsibilities

- 4.24 The Head of Regeneration and Economic Development within the Council's Regeneration & Housing Services will have overall responsibility for preparing LDDs, with the exception of the SCI. Day to day management will be the responsibility of the Spatial Policy Manager and the Area Regeneration Managers. Progress towards carrying out the LDS programme and preparing LDDs will be managed by an officer steering group.

Council Procedures and Reporting Protocols

- 4.25 For each DPD the levels of responsibility are to be as follows.
- Decisions about all pre-submission stages are delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive after considering the views of the LDF Sounding Board.
 - For the submission and adoption stages a full Council resolution will be required.
- For the SCI the levels of responsibility are to be as follows.
- Decisions about all pre-submission stages are delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with Cabinet Member/Spokesperson after considering the views of the LDF Sounding Board.
 - For the submission and adoption stages a full Council resolution will be required.
- For each SPD the levels of responsibility are to be as follows.
- Decisions about all pre-adoption stages are delegated to Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with Cabinet Member/Spokesperson.
 - For the adoption stage a full Council resolution will be required.
- 4.26 An LDF Sounding Board has been established to provide Member advice at important points in the process. The Board will be advisory, without formal decision making powers. There will also be regular reports to Regeneration Board on progress in preparing LDDs and similar progress reports to the Local Economy Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- 4.27 Involvement of the Wakefield District Partnership at each stage of LDD preparation will be crucial. Reporting to the Partnership will be a key means of engaging the range of community and other groups who make up the membership.

Risk Assessment

- 4.28 In preparing the Local Development Scheme, it was found that the main areas of risk relate to:
- Programme Slippage. The risk of slippage will be minimised by giving high priority to the preparation of the LDF within the Council's work programmes. In the event of slippage, the Council will aim to divert additional resources to the preparation of the LDF either from within the Council itself or in the form of external assistance, to ensure that preparation of the LDF remains on track.

- Capacity of PINS to cope with nation-wide demand for public examinations. The Council will consult the Inspectorate on the timing of its programme and will provide early warning of changes.
- Capacity of other agencies and bodies to cope with demand for responses to consultation. The Council will give consultees an early warning of its programme by informing them about its LDS.
- Soundness of DPDs. This risk will be minimized by working closely with Government Office and PINS in the preparation of the LDS and all DPDs.
- Legal Challenge. This risk will be minimized by ensuring that DPDs are sound, founded on a robust evidence base and have been subject to proper stakeholder & community engagement and sustainability appraisal.
- Delay in producing RSS. The Yorkshire & Humber Assembly intend to submit a draft of new RSS by September 2005. In the interim, work on the LDF will be undertaken within the context of existing RSS issued in December 2004.
- Staff Turnover. In the event of abnormal levels of staff turnover the Council will consider appointing temporary or agency staff or consultants to fill any gap in resources.
- Unexpected large numbers of representations. The Council will seek to minimise the number of representations by carrying out extensive engagement at earlier stages. It will seek to group representations together so that similar issues are dealt with together. Only as a last resort will the Council seek to lengthen a public examination.
- The timing of individual Development Plan Documents. The Core Strategy DPD establishes the framework for other DPDs, which must be in conformity with it. There is, therefore, a risk if other DPDs are submitted for public examination before the inspector's report on the outcome of the examination into the Core Strategy is published, since the report may require changes to be made to other DPDs, necessitating re-submission. This risk has to be weighed against the need to have other DPDs in place within a reasonable time period, particularly the Site Specific Policies and Proposals DPD which is the means of ensuring a continuing supply of housing land in the District. However, there is unlikely to be a shortage of land for housing for the next few years so the need for this DPD is not urgent. The proposed timetable shown in Tables 1 and 2 is considered to be a reasonable response to these conflicting needs and the degree of risk involved.

How the Local Development Framework Fits Together

4.29 This section explains the relationship between the different LDDs that will comprise the initial LDF. The rationale for selecting these documents for inclusion in the Council's first LDS is as follows, expanding on information already given above.

1. **Adopted Wakefield Unitary Development Plan First Alteration** – this was adopted in January 2003. It provides sufficient housing land for the period to mid-2006 but the majority of the policies and proposals in the plan will be relevant for a significantly longer period. Under the new arrangements the whole plan will be 'saved' automatically for a period of three years to September 2007. The proposed timetable for preparing new DPDs will require most of the UDP to be saved for longer than 3 years, until April 2008. As each DPD is adopted, the policies and proposals in the UDP that it replaces will be withdrawn (see Appendix 1 for details). Because parts of the UDP have been amended relatively recently as part of the First Alteration, it is appropriate to save some UDP policies and proposals after April 2008. Following discussions with the Government Office it has been decided that policies and proposals in the UDP relating to leisure and retailing should be saved for a longer period (see Appendix 3 for details). UDP policies not to be replaced or saved for longer than 3 years will be deleted from

the statutory development plan after September 2007 when the automatic saving period ends.

2. **Core Strategy DPD** – comprising the district-wide vision, linked objectives and strategic, area-based, policies to provide a coherent spatial strategy for the period to mid-2021. It will identify areas where major change is anticipated to address the need for new development, transport and infrastructure. It will be prepared to be in general conformity with RSS and will have regard to national planning policy guidance and statements, the Community Strategy ‘Fast Forward’ and the saved UDP where this is relevant. It is top priority because all other local development documents must be in conformity with the Core Strategy. It will replace a small number of policies in the UDP First Alteration (see Appendix 1).
3. **Statement of Community Involvement** – sets out standards and the approach to involving stakeholders and the community in the production of all LDDs and major planning applications. It is linked closely to the Council’s Community Engagement Framework. This has second priority for preparation after the Core Strategy. The Council proposes to carry out consultation and engagement on the draft SCI using appropriate methods from its approved Community Engagement Framework.
4. **Site Specific Policies and Proposals DPD** – to provide a set of site-specific policies and proposals to meet the aims of the Core Strategy for promoting certain types development and for conserving the natural and built environment in specific locations To include land allocations to meet anticipated development needs for housing, employment and mixed uses. It will identify sufficient sites on the proposals map to provide for 10 years’ supply of housing land (with an allowance for ‘windfalls’) from the DPD adoption date. Sites will be identified in accordance with policies and principles established in RSS and national planning guidance and local priorities for regeneration. Undeveloped greenfield sites allocated in the adopted UDP will be reviewed as part of this process. Where unimplemented UDP allocations still meet prevailing guidance they may be carried forward into the new DPD. Housing allocations will be identified having regard to evidence in the Urban Potential Study.

This DPD will replace allocations and designations in UDP Volumes 3, 4, and 5 which are not saved after April 2008 or included in the Central Wakefield Area Action Plan (see Appendix 1). Separate DPDs will be prepared relating to leisure and retailing. Policies and proposals relating to these topics in the UDP will be saved after April 2008 (see Appendix 3). Discussions will take place with Government Office about the timescales for preparing these new documents.

5. **Development Control Policies DPD** – to provide, in conformity with the Core Strategy, a clear set of generic development control policies to guide development for which locational or site-specific provision has not been made in other DPDs, against which the detail of specific development proposals can be considered. The policies will be in general conformity with policies in RSS and with national planning guidance.

These policies will replace most of the policies in Volumes 1 and 2 of the UDP which are not saved after April 2008 (see Appendix 1). Where policies in the UDP are still considered to be up to date and relevant they may be carried forward unaltered into the new DPD (subject to the outcome of any objections) but opportunities will be taken to create generic policies and reduce the overall number of policies. Separate DPDs will be prepared relating to leisure and retailing. Policies relating to these topics in the UDP will be saved after April 2008

(see Appendix 3). Discussions will take place with Government Office about the timescales for preparing these new documents.

6. **Waste DPD** – to provide, in conformity with national and regional planning policy and the Core Strategy, the framework for the management and disposal of waste in the District. It will be closely related to the aims and policies in the Draft Strategy for the Management of Municipal Waste in Wakefield. It is intended that the document will include, where appropriate, site specific proposals for waste facilities. New policies to guide the location and operation of new waste-related development may also be included in this DPD, replacing the policies in Volumes 1 and 2 of the UDP relating to Waste Management.
7. **Area Action Plan DPDs** – The LDS identifies where one Area Action Plan will be prepared – Central Wakefield. This plan will provide a spatial planning framework for proposals arising out of work already undertaken on urban renaissance and will be a vehicle for implementing the Area Regeneration Strategy for Wakefield City. It will also give guidance about key development opportunities. Proposals will be shown on a separate inset map. The Central Wakefield Area Action Plan will replace policies and proposals in the Wakefield City Centre section of UDP Volume 5. The need for any additional Area Action Plans arising out of preparation of the Core Strategy will be added to the LDS following consultation with Government Office, as part of the annual monitoring report and review of the scheme.
8. **Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)** – Existing Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) relating to saved policies in the UDP will continue to be a material consideration when determining planning applications (see Appendix 2). SPDs will be prepared to replace existing SPG as work on the Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPDs progresses. Development Brief SPDs may also be required for major sites identified in the Site Specific Policies and Proposals DPD, including housing, employment and mixed use allocations. It is not possible to identify these sites at this stage. A single SPD relating to Designing for Community Safety Guide is included in Tables 1 and 2 above.

APPENDIX 1

Replacing, Deleting, Merging and Saving UDP Policies and Proposals

Notes:

The new legislation specifies an automatic saving period of three years so that all UDP policies and proposals are to be saved until September 2007. Most UDP policies and proposals will be replaced or merged through preparation of the Development Plan Documents (DPDs) described in this LDS. However, the two key DPDs, Site Specific Policies & Proposals and Development Control Policies DPDs, are not due to be adopted until December 2007 and April 2008 respectively, after the end of the three year saving period. It is therefore proposed that the policies and proposals in the UDP to be replaced by these DPDs be saved for a period of three years and seven months, until April 2008, to allow these documents to be completed. The table below indicates which UDP policies are to be replaced by which DPD.

It is intended that some UDP policies and proposals should be saved so that they remain in force after April 2008 and be replaced in later DPDs not programmed in this LDS. More details of these are given in Appendix 3. Discussions will be held with the Government Office to determine how and when DPDs should be brought forward to replace these policies and proposals.

UDP policies not to be replaced by DPDs will be deleted from the statutory development plan after September 2007 when the automatic saving period ends.

The table below reflects current thinking for replacing, merging, deleting or saving policies and proposals in the UDP. Intentions may change as preparation of the DPDs progresses, particularly following consultation and engagement with communities.

Where a policy is shown as being replaced, this is not to say that the policy will be replicated in a DPD, rather the issue it covers will be dealt with either in a similar way or merged with other issues in a composite policy. This is in line with guidance in Planning Policy Statement 12 about creating generic policies and reducing the overall number of policies.

All policies to be replaced will be reviewed in the light of the latest Government planning policy guidance and statements, the Regional Spatial Strategy and the emerging new Regional Spatial Strategy.

UDP Policy Reference	Replace / Delete / Merge/ Save	Replacement DPD	Comments
Volume 2 Policy Reasoned Justification			
REGENERATION			
R1	Replace	Core Strategy	
R2	Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	
ENVIRONMENT			
The Natural Environment			
The Protection and Enhancement of Habitats E1-E4	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
The Protection and Planting of Trees, Woodland and Hedgerows E5-E10	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Strategic Framework for Landscape, Habitat and Recreation: Green	Delete		Replace with Wildlife Corridors

UDP Policy Reference	Replace / Delete / Merge/ Save	Replacement DPD	Comments
Corridors E11-E12			
The Built Environment			
Buildings and Sites of Archaeological Interest E13-E19, E63	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Buildings of Architectural or Historic Interest E20-E26	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Conservation Areas E27-E35	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Design Priority Areas E36-E38	Delete		Replace with Urban Design Policies
Art in Public Places E64	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Environmental Regeneration			
Environmental Improvement E39-41	Replace	Core Strategy	
Environmental Impact E42-E51, E65	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Environmental Design E52-E61	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Access for Disabled People to Public Buildings E62	Delete?		Covered by Building Regulations?
TRANSPORT			
Priority for Transport Investment T1	Replace	Core Strategy	
Transport and New Development T2-T3	Merge and Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Public Transport T4	Replace	Core Strategy	
Road Hierarchy T5	Replace	Core Strategy	
Highway Schemes T6-T7	Replace	Site Specific Policies & Proposals DPD	
Traffic Management T9-T10	Replace	Core Strategy	
Parking T11-T14	Merge and Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	
Lorry Parking T15	Delete		Covered by other policies
Facilities for Pedestrians, Cyclists and People with Special Needs T16-T17, T20	Merge (with T2) and Replace	Site Specific Policies & Proposals DPD	
Freight Movement T18	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Disused Railways and Waterways T19	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
EMPLOYMENT			
Large Scale General Industry and Warehousing I1-I2	Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	
Business Use I3	Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	
Offices – Financial, Professional and Related Services I4	Merge and Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Existing Industry, Warehousing and Business Uses I5	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Development Outside Employment Zones I7	Merge	Development Control Policies DPD	

UDP Policy Reference	Replace / Delete / Merge/ Save	Replacement DPD	Comments
Design and Landscaping I8	Merge	Development Control Policies DPD	
Tourism – Tourist Accommodation I10	Merge	Development Control Policies DPD	
HOUSING			
Scale and Type of New Housing H1, H18, H3	Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	
Affordable Housing H4	Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	
Low Cost Housing in Rural Areas H5	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Location of New Development H6	Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	
Access to Undeveloped Land H8	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Open Space in Residential Areas H9	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Existing Residential Areas H10-H11, H13	Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	
Accessible Housing H16	Merge (with H4) and Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Care in the Community H17	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
RETAILING			
S1-S6	Save after April 2008		Prepare separate Retailing and Town Centre DPD
LEISURE			
L1-L7	Save after April 2008		Prepare separate Leisure and Open Space DPD
COMMUNITY FACILITIES			
Location of Community Facilities C1	Merge	Development Control Policies DPD	
OPEN LAND			
Development in the Green Belt OL1-OL2	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Extensions and Alterations to Dwellings OL14	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Replacement Dwellings in The Green Belt OL15	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
New Dwellings in the Green Belt OL16	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Dwellings for Agricultural Workers OL17	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Major Developed Sites OL21-OL22	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Re-Use Buildings in the Green Belt OL18	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Re-Use of Agricultural Buildings OL19	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	

UDP Policy Reference	Replace / Delete / Merge/ Save	Replacement DPD	Comments
Open Land within Built Up Areas OL3	Replace	Site Specific Policies & Proposals DPD	
Protected Areas of Search for Long Term Development OL4	Delete?		Depends whether PAS designation retained
The Protection of Agricultural Land OL5	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
The Protection of Washlands OL6	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
The Protection of Mineral Reserves Other Than Coal OL7	Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD	
Mineral Extraction OL8-OL10	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Waste OL11-OL13, OL23	Replace	Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD (and Waste DPD?)	
Renewable Energy OL20	Replace	Development Control Policies DPD	
Volumes: 3 Northern Area Proposals 4 South East Area Proposals 5 Western Area Proposals	<p>Leisure and Town Centre proposals to be saved after April 2008 (see Appendix 3 for details).</p> <p>Wakefield City Centre policies and proposals (Volume 5) to be replaced by policies and proposals in the Central Wakefield Area Action Plan (see Tables 1, 2, DPD Profiles and Supporting Statement for details).</p> <p>All other proposals to be replaced by proposals in the Site Specific Policies and Proposals DPD (see Tables 1, 2, DPD Profiles and Supporting Statement for details).</p>		

APPENDIX 2

Supplementary Planning Guidance

Reference	Name	Date Adopted by Council	Saved UDP Policy / Proposal Reference
SPG 2	Residential Design Guide	November 1996	H6, H8, H9, H16
-	A Green Plan for Wakefield	July 1995 (Planning Committee)	E1, E5, L5, L6
SPG 4	Policy on Development Proposals in Health & Safety Executive Consultation Zones	December 2003	E49
SPG 5	Sustainable Development Guide	March 2004	R1
SPG 6	Affordable Housing	March 2004	H4
SPG 7	District-Wide Parking Standards	March 2004	T11

Design Guides

Name	Type	Date Adopted	Saved UDP Policy / Proposal Reference
Wakefield Waterfront	Design framework	April 1997 (Planning Committee)	WCC35
Shopfront Design Shopfront Signs Shopfront Security	Design Guides	-	E20, E23, E27, E52 E32, E52, E58, E59 E20, E23, E27, E52

Development Briefs

Name	Date Prepared	Saved UDP Policy / Proposal Reference
Glasshoughton, Castleford Development Brief	March 1994	CAS63
Normanton Industrial Estate Extension, Normanton Development Brief	June 1994	NOR2, FTH4
Green Lane, Featherstone Industrial Development Area Development Brief	June 1994	FTH3
Wheldale North & South, Castleford Industrial Sites Development Brief	April 1995	CAS8
Ackton Pasture, Castleford Residential Development Area Development Brief	March 1996	CAS13
South Kirkby Industrial Park, South Kirkby Development Guidelines	March 2002	EMS1
Junction 40, Wakefield Development Brief	April 1995	NWS64
Wakefield Power Station, Wakefield Development Brief	October 1995	SEW2
Snowhill and Newton Hill, Wakefield Development Strategy	July 1997	NWS65
Stanley Royd Hospital, Wakefield Development Strategy	July 1997	NWS66
Wakefield City Centre – Marsh Way Commercial Sector Development Brief	June 1998	WCC19(b)

Pinderfields Hospital, Wakefield Development Guidelines	2001	NWS85
Kirkgate / Sun Lane, Wakefield Regeneration Area	May 2001	WCC34

APPENDIX 3

Policies and Proposals in the UDP First Alteration to be Saved After April 2008.

Retail / Town Centres

The Government published Planning Policy Statement 6 – Planning for Town Centres (PPS6) in March 2005. It is considered that the retail policies in the UDP remain broadly consistent with guidance in PPS6. However, there is a need to establish up to date information on retailing, possibly including a revision of the West Yorkshire Retail Study, which was last updated in 1998, before retail/town centre sections in the UDP can be reviewed fully. The intention is to save the policies and reasoned justification in Chapter 7 of Volume 2 of the UDP and related site specific proposals in Volumes 3, 4 and 5 after April 2008 and to prepare a separate DPD on retailing at a later date. Details of the proposed DPD will be included in future reviews of the Local Development Scheme.

Leisure / Open Space

The Council has adopted a Greenspace Strategy and is carrying out a Greenspace Audit which will provide the basis for reviewing leisure policies and proposals in the UDP. The intention is to bring forward a separate DPD on Leisure / Open Space in future. The advice in PPS6 will also be taken into account during the preparation of the DPD. Policies and the reasoned justification in Chapter 8 of UDP Volume 2 will continue to apply and will be saved after April 2008. Site specific open space and playing field allocations in UDP in Volumes 3, 4 and 5 will also be retained for longer than 3 years. Details of the proposed DPD will be included in future reviews of the Local Development Scheme.

UDP Volume	Policy / Proposal to be Saved Longer than 3 Years
Volume 2 – Policy Reasoned Justification	Retail Policies S1 to S6 and associated reasoned justification
	Leisure Policies L1 to L7 and associated reasoned justification
Volume 3 – Northern Area Proposals	Leisure Proposals and associated reasoned justification CAS48-49, CAS51-56, CAS72 NOR28-31 FTH25-27, FTH32 PNT45-47 KNT28 Town Centre & Retailing Proposals and associated reasoned justification CAS57-60, CAS77-78 NOR32-33 FTH28 PNT48-53, PNT56-60, PNT62-63
Volume 4 – South East Area Proposals	Leisure Proposals and associated reasoned justification HEM44-45, HEM48-50, HEM58 ACK33 EMS45-48, EMS50, EMS52, EMS54, EMS72-74 Town Centre & Retailing Proposals and associated reasoned justification HEM51, HEM61 EMS56-57
Volume 5 – Western Area	Leisure Proposals and associated reasoned justification NWS56-58, NWS60-63

Proposals	OH24-25 SEW43-44, SEW47-49 WCS37 Town Centre & Retailing Proposals and associated reasoned justification OH26-28
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APPENDIX 4

Glossary of Terms

- AMR** Annual Monitoring Report – a report which the Council is required to prepare showing progress in preparing Local Development Documents compared to targets in the Local Development Scheme, and monitoring the implementation and effectiveness of its policies and proposals in Local Development Documents.
- DPD** Development Plan Document – a Local Development Document which forms part of the statutory development plan, including the Core Strategy, Proposals Maps and Area Action Plans.
- LDD** Local Development Document – comprising two main types, Development Plan Documents and Supplementary Planning Documents, which together form the Local Development Framework.
- LDF** Local Development Framework – the portfolio of Local Development Documents which sets out the planning policy framework for the district.
- LDS** Local Development Scheme – a three year project plan setting out the Council's programme for the preparation of Local Development Documents, reviewed annually in the light of the Annual Monitoring Report.
- RPG** Regional Planning Guidance – non-statutory guidance prepared by the Yorkshire and Humber Assembly and issued by the Secretary of State in October 2001, which has been replaced by the Regional Spatial Strategy.
- RSS** Regional Spatial Strategy – the statutory replacement for Regional Planning Guidance prepared by the Yorkshire and Humber Assembly and issued by the First Secretary of State. It forms part of the Council's statutory development plan.
- SCI** Statement of Community Involvement – sets out the Council's vision and strategy for the standards to be achieved in involving the community and stakeholders in the preparation of all Local Development Documents and in decisions on planning applications.
- SPD** Supplementary Planning Document – a Local Development Document which is part of the Local Development Framework but does not form part of the statutory development plan. Supplementary Planning Documents elaborate upon policies and proposals in a Development Plan Document or the saved Unitary Development Plan and include development briefs and guidance documents.
- SPG** Supplementary Planning Guidance – guidance which elaborates upon policies and proposals in the Unitary Development Plan. Supplementary Planning Guidance can not be 'saved' but can still be relevant if related to a policy or proposal in a saved plan or a Development Plan Document. Supplementary Planning Guidance will need to be replaced by Supplementary Planning Documents.
- UDP** Unitary Development Plan First Alteration – the statutory development plan for the district adopted by the Council in January 2003 which will be 'saved' initially for three years from the date of commencement of the new planning system. Its policies and proposals will be replaced eventually by new Development Plan Documents.