



LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

Annual Monitoring Report

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Summary

- This is the sixth annual monitoring report produced by Kirklees Council. It covers the period from April 2009 to March 2010.
- The report covers a number of indicators including progress towards the Local Development Scheme (LDS) and latest information on housing, open space and shops and services.
- An updated Local Development Scheme timetable is provided within this document.
- The council has two adopted Supplementary Planning Documents. These relate to Negotiating Financial Contributions for Transport Improvements (Leeds Road, Huddersfield) and to Affordable Housing. The performance of these policies is outlined.
- Net housing completions for 2009/10 were 692.
- 88.86% of housing completions were on previously developed (brownfield) land.
- Based on current expectations of housing delivery, the council can demonstrate an adequate five year supply.

Please note – this is the addendum version (re-issued May 2011)

The following information has now been added to the AMR. This information was not available at the time of original publication (Dec 2010):

- Employment information for 2009/10 (figures 7a – 7d) (page 14)
- Environment Agency sustained flood risk and water quality objections information (page 19)

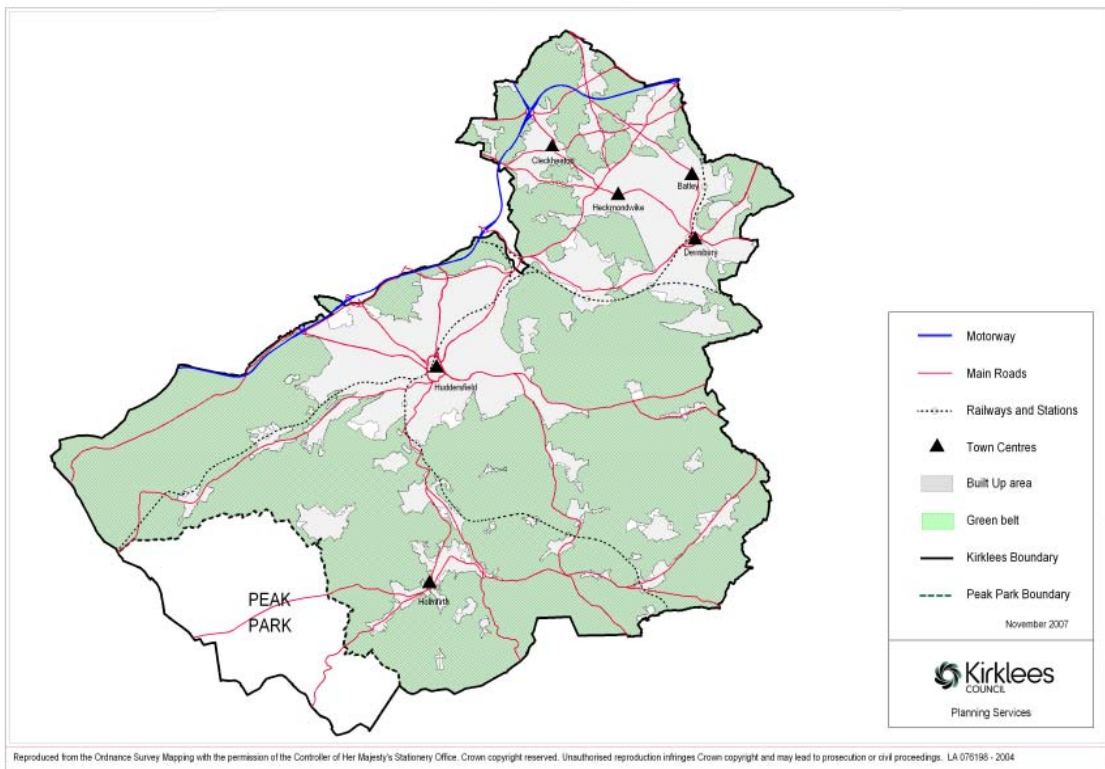
1. Introduction

- 1.1. Under the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, councils are required to produce an annual monitoring report for each financial year assessing the implementation of the council's Local Development Scheme (LDS), and the extent to which policies are being successfully implemented.
- 1.2. The LDS is essentially a programme of preparing local development documents, which will together form the Local Development Framework (LDF) and provide a spatial planning strategy.
- 1.3. Annual monitoring reports must be submitted to the government within 9 months of the end of the period, i.e. by the end of December each year. Each report is published on the council's website (www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldf).
- 1.4. The Town & Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004 detail the requirements for the content of the annual monitoring report. In simple terms, the council is required to report:
 - details of progress made for each document specified in the LDS, together with any steps to be taken if preparation has fallen behind the timetable, and details of any documents adopted or approved;
 - details of any Local Development Orders made or revoked;
 - policies which are not being implemented, together with reasons why, and any steps to be taken to secure implementation to replace or amend the policy;
 - details of performance against housing provision policy.
- 1.5. Some information was not available at the time of publication. This information will be added to the document early in 2011.

2. Kirklees context

- 2.1. Kirklees is one of five metropolitan districts in West Yorkshire, covering an area of 40,860 hectares. It is located on the western edge of the Yorkshire and Humber region and part of Kirklees is within the Peak District National Park.
- 2.2. The district contains a diverse mix of land uses with the main urban areas in the north and west containing the majority of the population. The green belt is extensive, covering 70.3% of the district (excluding Peak District National Park), particularly within the south. Kirklees is divided into 23 wards, with 59 designated conservation areas. The road and rail network provides good links to the surrounding cities of Manchester, Leeds, Bradford and Sheffield, with wider reaching connections provided via the M62 and the M1.

Figure 2a - Kirklees context map



3. Local Development Scheme implementation

- 3.1. A revised Local Development Scheme (LDS) came into effect on 24 September 2007. This has now been superseded in the light of the procedural changes in revised PPS12 and the later timing of the Core Strategy Options consultation. The revised LDS can be viewed at www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldf.
- 3.2. Figure 3a shows progress with the production of Local Development Framework (LDF) documents within the monitoring period. Figure 5a shows a complete list of LDF documents adopted as at 31st March 2010. The latest version of this LDF timeline can be viewed at www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldf.

Figure 3a – Local Development Scheme progress		
Document and stages	LDS target	Actual
DPD1 - Core Strategy		
Options	February 2009	February 2009
Draft proposals (Preferred Option)	September 2010	-
Publication	February 2011	-
Adoption	November 2012	-
DPD2 - Development and Open Space		
Issues and Options	April 2013	-
Preferred Option	January 2014	-
Publication	June 2014	-
Adoption	February 2016	-
DPD3 - Design and Conservation		
Issues and Options	April 2013	-
Preferred Option	January 2014	-
Publication	June 2014	-
Adoption	February 2016	-
DPD4 - Minerals and Waste		
Issues and Options	April 2013	-
Preferred Option	January 2014	-
Publication	June 2014	-
Adoption	February 2016	-
DPD5 – Huddersfield Town Centre Area Action Plan (AAP)		
Issues and Options	November 2009	November 2009
Preferred Option	September 2010	-
Publication	February 2011	-
Adoption	November 2012	-
DPD6 – Dewsbury and Batley Town Centres Area Action Plan (AAP)		
Issues and Options	September 2010	-
Preferred Option	September 2011	-
Publication	June 2012	-
Adoption	February 2014	-
2008/09 Annual Monitoring Report		
Submission	December 2009	December 2009

- 3.3. Since the 2008/09 AMR, proposals for two Area Action Plans (AAP) have been added to the Local Development Scheme. These are for Huddersfield Town Centre and Dewsbury/Batley Town Centres.
- 3.4. Consultation on the issues and options for the Huddersfield Area Action Plan (AAP) took place starting in November 2009. For further information, please see www.kirklees.gov.uk/huddersfield.

Update note – December 2010

The council is currently consulting on the Core Strategy Draft Proposals (7th December – 6th February). For more information, please visit www.kirklees.gov.uk/jobsandhomes

4. Unimplemented policies

- 4.1. Councils are required to indicate in their annual monitoring report any policy which is not being implemented, together with a reason for non-implementation, details of any steps taken to secure implementation, or whether the council intends to prepare or revise a development plan document (DPD) to replace or amend the policy.
- 4.2. As no DPD has yet reached adoption, the Kirklees UDP adopted in 1999 continues to be the statutory development plan. In early 2007, a policy saving exercise, taking account of guidance from the Secretary of State, examined whether UDP policies should be saved or not saved. Policies were proposed not to be saved where they were redundant due to the completion of developments or because of changes in national planning policy and also where they added nothing to relevant national policy.
- 4.3. As a result of a Direction issued by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, from 28th September 2007 some policies in the UDP continue to have effect (“saved policies”) and some do not as they were not saved. The full list of saved and unsaved policies can be viewed on the council’s website at www.kirklees.gov.uk/udp

5. Adopted documents and policy monitoring

- 5.1. The implementation of a new development plan system which includes a robust monitoring framework will take time. Each local development document will need to develop its own monitoring framework. The preparation of development plan documents (DPDs) and supplementary planning documents (SPDs) need to incorporate the sustainability appraisal process. A corporate sustainability appraisal framework has been prepared which guides the development of these documents.
- 5.2. Figure 5a shows the Local Development Framework documents adopted by Kirklees as at 31st March 2010 (www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldf).

Figure 5a – Local Development Framework documents adopted (at 31st March 2010)	
Documents and monitoring	Adoption date
<p><u>1) Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)</u> The SCI continues to be used to influence consultation methods on LDF documents which have recently included the Core Strategy Options consultation (February 2009 – April 2009) and the Huddersfield Town Centre Area Action Plan Issues and Options (November 2009).</p> <p>All of the consultation work was undertaken in accordance with the SCI and feedback received on the consultation processes will be used in the ongoing process of reviewing the methods of consultation. The Options Consultation Full and Summary Reports can be viewed as part of the Core Strategy Draft Proposals consultation under 'Previous consultations' at www.kirklees.gov.uk/jobsandhomes</p>	September 2006
<p><u>2) Supplementary Planning Document 1 (SPD1) - Negotiating Financial Contributions for Transport Improvements (Leeds Road, Huddersfield)</u> During the monitoring period 2009/10, no further contributions were received from SPD1 negotiations. Therefore, the contributions received to date through SPD1 total £390,000. Further contributions have been negotiated (totalling £1,944,128) on a number of sites which may come forward from the implementation of planning permissions. The receipt of negotiated contributions will be monitored as the permissions are implemented.</p>	September 2007
<p><u>3) Supplementary Planning Document 2 (SPD2) - Affordable Housing</u> The council have continued the approach of introducing the SPD in a phased manner in response to the current economic climate and comments received in the consultation process (www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldf). Total gross affordable housing completions during the monitoring period are shown in figure 6c.</p>	November 2008

6. Housing

Context

- 6.1. Reporting on the delivery of additional dwelling provision is a particularly important element of annual monitoring reports. The annual monitoring report must specify the number of dwellings built during the period of the report (1st April 2009 - 31st March 2010) and dwellings built since the date when the current housing requirement came into effect.
- 6.2. Policy H5 of the UDP detailed a requirement of 14,000 dwellings from 1993 to 2006. In 2001, Regional Planning Guidance for West Yorkshire (RPG12) set out a revised requirement for Kirklees of 1,310 per annum for the period 1998 - 2016. In May 2008, RPG12 was replaced by the Yorkshire and Humber Plan – Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) (available from www.goyh.gov.uk). The RSS proposed an annual requirement of 1,060 dwellings for 2004-08 and 1,700 for 2008-26. The RSS remains in place although the government intend to revoke it.
- 6.3. In December 2010, the council published Core Strategy Draft Proposals which set out its housing provisions for monitoring purposes. This is based on a stepped increase in delivery levels from 2009/10 to 2014/15 and then delivery of 1,545 dwellings per annum to 2027/28. This gives a total requirement of 26,230 between 2009 and 2028 (figure 6a).

Figure 6a – Plan period and housing requirement

Start of Core Strategy plan period	End of Core Strategy plan period	Increase in dwelling numbers required (2009-2028)
2009	2028	26,230

Housing completions

- 6.4. During 2009/10 there were 781 gross housing completions. This has been offset by losses of 89. Taking the losses into account, the net dwelling completions for the period 2009/10 stands at 692.
- 6.5. PPS3 continues to advocate the effective use of land through encouraging the development of brownfield (previously developed) land in preference to greenfield sites by providing a 60% target of previously developed land. The council has continued to give preference to brownfield sites in granting planning permission. In 2009/10 88.86% of new housing completions were on previously developed land (figure 6b).

Figure 6b – New and converted dwellings - on previously developed land		
	2008/9	2009/10
Gross completions	1,217	781
% on previously developed land	89.31%	88.86%

Accommodation for gypsies and travellers

- 6.6. There were no additional gypsy and traveller pitches provided in Kirklees during the monitoring period from April 2009 to March 2010.

Affordable housing completions

- 6.7. Affordable housing, as defined in Planning Policy Statement 3 (PPS3), includes social rented and intermediate housing. Negotiations to secure affordable housing within private sector developments continued in accordance with adopted planning policy and more recently in accordance with Supplementary Planning Document 2 (SPD2) (adopted in November 2008). During 2009/10, 215 affordable units were completed, which represents an increase on the figure for the previous year (figure 6c).

Figure 6c – Gross affordable housing completions			
	2007/8	2008/9	2009/10
Social Rented Homes	63	186	101
Intermediate Homes	20	18	114
Affordable Homes Total	83	204	215

Housing density

- 6.8. Figure 6d shows that 85.02% of completed dwellings in 2009/10 were from planning permissions with a density of 30 dwellings or more per hectare, down from 87.35% in 2008/09.

Figure 6d – Density of new housing completions (2009/10)		
	Dwellings	%
< 30 dwellings per ha.	117	14.98
Between 30 and 50 dwellings per ha.	319	40.85
> 50 dwellings per ha.	345	44.17
Total	781	100

- 6.9. Figure 6e shows net housing completions since 2004 and remaining capacity for new housing as represented by planning permissions and Unitary Development Plan (UDP) allocations without planning permission.

Figure 6e - Housing supply table (no. of dwellings)				
Year	Net completions	Dwellings with planning permission but not yet built at start of year	UDP allocations without planning permission at start of year	Total dwelling capacity from permissions and UDP allocations available at start of year
2004/5	1,349	4,625	5,175	9,800
2005/6	1,074	5,483	4,604	10,087
2006/7	2,261	7,331	4,591	11,922
2007/8	2,281	7,974	4,252	12,226
2008/9	1,098	7,674	3,872	11,546
2009/10	692	8,406	3,661	12,067
2010/11	-	7,491	3,559	11,050

- 6.10. At 31st March 2010, the available housing capacity identified from planning permissions and remaining UDP allocations, as shown in the Housing Land Supply Review (see paragraph 6.17), amounted to 11,050. There is also additional potential housing capacity on other sites from within urban areas including those with expired planning permission.
- 6.11. Over the period between 2004/5 and 2006/7 new permissions granted exceeded net completions, leading to a growth in the capacity of sites with planning permission. The significant increase in the number of dwellings with permission at 2006/7 resulted from the inclusion of buildings proposed for conversion in the dwelling supply for the first time.
- 6.12. In 2007/8 new permissions granted were less than completed dwellings and therefore the capacity of sites with planning permission decreased, followed by an increase in supply in 2008/9. In 2009/10, the identified capacity reduced as fewer planning applications came forward than dwellings completed.

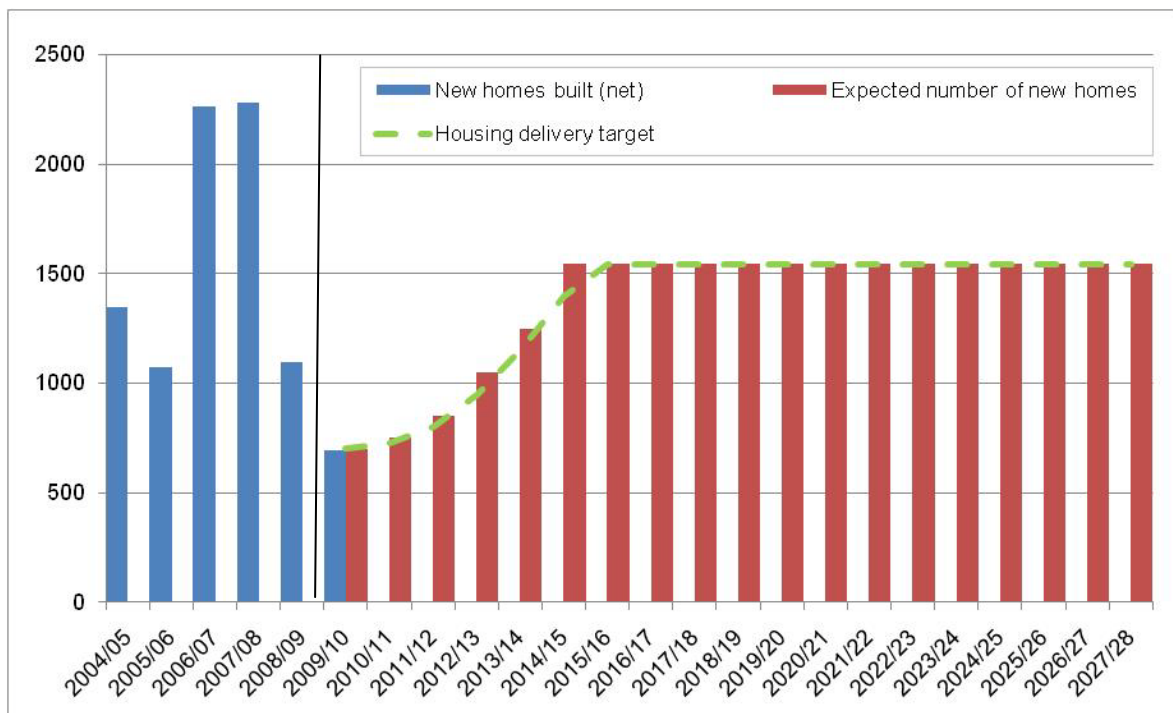
Update note – December 2010

As part of preparations for the Local Development Framework (LDF), Kirklees Council is carrying out a Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA). This will identify development sites with potential to contribute to the future land supply for the Local Development Framework. Publication of the SHLAA will coincide with the publication of the council's Core Strategy, which is scheduled to be in summer 2011.

Further information is available at www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments

- 6.13. The government requires each local planning authority to analyse its “housing trajectory” by comparing completions with the requirement for new dwellings. The Core Strategy Draft Proposals trajectory graph is shown below (figure 6f). This shows the completions for 2009/10 alongside expected delivery. The trajectory shows that in 2010/11, the expected delivery of new homes will need to be around 750 dwellings to meet the requirement set out in the Core Strategy Draft Proposals.

Figure 6f – Housing trajectory



Five year housing land supply

- 6.14. Guidance on the provision of land for housing contained in Planning Policy Statement 3 (PPS3) indicates that local authorities should identify sufficient specific sites to deliver a five year housing supply.
- 6.15. Figure 6e demonstrates that as at 31st March 2010 in Kirklees there were valid residential planning permissions with a capacity of 7,491 dwelling units. Of these, 6,376 are considered as having high development potential (deliverable within five years). Further capacity

is also likely to come forward within five years on remaining UDP allocations located on previously developed land (59 dwellings) and sites with expired planning permissions (542 dwellings).

- 6.16. Based on current delivery expectations as set out in the Core Strategy Draft Proposals, the council can demonstrate an adequate five year supply.

Housing Land Supply Review (HLSR)

- 6.17. The council prepares an annual Housing Land Supply Review (HLSR) with a base date of 1st April. The HLSR includes details of sites with planning permission for housing, remaining UDP housing allocations, expired permissions and other sites identified by the council.
- 6.18. The HLSR document includes details of the specific deliverable sites assessed as having high development potential which contribute to the 5 year supply (planning permissions, brownfield UDP allocations, expired permissions). This document can be downloaded from www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments or a copy obtained by emailing dpi@kirklees.gov.uk or phoning (01484) 221627.

7. Employment, shops and services

Employment

- 7.1. To ensure adequate land is available for employment opportunities to be created, employment land take-up continues to be monitored by the council.
- 7.2. Saved policy B1 of the UDP seeks to meet the employment needs of the district by providing land to accommodate the requirements of existing Kirklees businesses and the establishment of new businesses. UDP saved policy B2 allocated 278.9 hectares for B1, B2 and B8 uses on sites of 0.4 hectares and above for plan period. Take up in recent years is shown in figure 7a.

Figure 7a – Take up of employment land	
	Hectares
2004/5	19.86
2005/6	0.51
2006/7	15.70
2007/8	13.33
2008/9	15.44
2009/10	9.00

- 7.3. Figure 7b shows the amount of completed floorspace by use class constructed on employment sites over the same period.

Figure 7b – Total amount of gross additional employment floorspace (sq.m.) by type						
Use class	B1a	B1b	B1c	B2	B8	Total
2004/5	6,589			26,936	56,792	90,317
2005/6	894	0	0	1,439	2,490	4,823
2006/7	19,473	795	7,623	21,760	18,807	68,458
2007/8	7,022	0	2,238	13,804	16,814	39,878
2008/9	6,493	0	5,023	16,096	25,395	53,007
2009/10	13,644	0	1,944	11,548	2,900	30,036

- 7.4. Figure 7c examines the proportion of completed employment floorspace on previously developed land, showing that 97.6% of new employment provision was made on previously developed (brownfield) sites in 2009/10.

Figure 7c – Total amount of employment floorspace (sq.m.) on previously developed land – by type (gross)						
Use class	B1a	B1b	B1c	B2	B8	Total
Total completed floorspace	13,644	0	1,944	11,548	2,900	30,036
Previously developed	13,644	0	1,944	10,848	2,900	29,336
% Previously developed	100	0	0	93.9	100	97.6

- 7.5. At 31st March 2010 the amount of land remaining to be developed and available, including remaining UDP allocations and planning permissions, totalled 86.57 hectares (figure 7d). Potential sites for expansion which are landlocked or within existing employers' ownership and therefore would not be available for a new user, are excluded.

Figure 7d – Amount of potential employment land available - by type		
Use class	Hectares	
	Remaining UDP allocations (without planning permission)	Planning permissions
B1	5.34	14.77
B1a	0.81	1.32
B2	3.47	3.74
B8	0.36	0.00
B1 + B2	5.2	0.33
B1/B2/B8	51.23	0.00
Total	66.41	20.16

Employment Land Supply Review

- 7.6. The council prepares an annual Employment Land Supply Review (ELSR) with a base date of 1st April. The ELSR includes details of specific sites that are suitable for employment uses and their current planning status (UDP allocations without planning permission, sites with planning permission, expired permissions and other sites identified by the council). This document can be downloaded from www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments or a copy obtained by emailing dpi@kirklees.gov.uk or phoning (01484) 221627.

Shops and services

- 7.7. The Kirklees town centre audit programme monitors retail provision in the main shopping centres of the District. Annual surveys are undertaken to record and monitor the amount of floorspace and numbers of shop units in each centre, and their occupiers.
- 7.8. During the monitoring year 2009/10, there has been very little new build retail development or significant changes from non-retail to retail use. Therefore the overall provision of retail floorspace across the district has remained relatively static.
- 7.9. Figures 7f and 7g provide information on the current provision of convenience (food) and comparison (non-food) retail floorspace in town and district centres, and also the level of vacancy and refurbishment work recorded in these centres. This year, the centres included in the assessment reflect the proposed shopping centre classification from the Draft Proposals (Preferred Option) Consultation stage of the emerging Kirklees Core Strategy. Only the top 4 classifications (sub-regional town centre, large and small town centres and district centres) are included in Figures 7f and 7g as data for the smaller centres (local and neighbourhood) is only collected in terms of shop unit numbers in alternate years. Figure 7e defines the role and function of each centre classification.

Figure 7e – Shopping Centre Classification		
Tier	Role and function	Centres
Sub-Regional Town Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provide for shopping growth (particularly non-food) to serve the needs of people in Huddersfield and south Kirklees the main focus in Kirklees for the provision of financial services, leisure and entertainment and health, further and higher education and other public services 	Huddersfield town centre

Large Town Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide for shopping growth (particularly non-food) to serve the needs of people in north Kirklees • the focus for the provision of financial services, leisure and entertainment and health, further education and other public services for people in north Kirklees 	Dewsbury and Batley town centres
Small Town Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide for growth in food shopping to serve the needs of people in the Spen Valley and Holme Valley • the focus for the provision of financial services, leisure and entertainment and health, and other public services for people in the Spen Valley and Holme Valley 	Heckmondwike, Cleckheaton and Holmfirth town centres
District Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide for everyday needs for shopping, leisure and community facilities and basic financial services appropriate in scale and function to the role of the centre and settlements served • include concentrations of shops or services responding to specialist markets 	Almondbury, Birstall, Honley, Kirkburton, Marsden, Marsh, Meltham, Milnsbridge, Mirfield, Moldgreen, Ravensthorpe, Skelmanthorpe, Slaithwaite
Local Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide for top-up shopping and local services 	For full list, see the Core Strategy Draft Proposals document (Figure 13, p81)
Neighbourhood Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide for a limited range of top-up shopping 	For full list, see the Core Strategy Draft Proposals document (Figure 13, p81)

7.10 In future years, the provision of retailing will be monitored in terms of the proportions of retail uses and vacancy, and further data will be provided in terms of changes in pedestrian footfall levels recorded in each of the main centres.

Figure 7f – Retail floorspace within sub-regional and large town centres as at 2009/10 – sq.m. net				
		Huddersfield	Dewsbury	Batley
Retail	convenience	16,704 (up 10.5%)	10,933 (up 11.7%)	7,438 (up 1.0%)
	comparison	58,646 (up 2.0%)	29,097 (down 2.5%)	18,946 (up 1.0%)
Vacant		6,776 (up 71.1%)	7,357 (down 15.4%)	1,828 (down 9.5%)
Under refurbishment		686	2,111	0
Total		82,812	49,498	28,212

Figure 7g – Retail floorspace in small town centres and district centres as at 2009/10 – sq.m. net			
		Small towns (Heckmondwike, Cleckheaton and Holmfirth)	District centres (x 13)*
Retail	convenience	8,391	9,202
	comparison	12,823	16,988
Vacant		2,898	2,825
Under refurbishment		261	1,170
Total		24,373	30,185

*See Figure 13 (p81) of the Core Strategy Draft Proposals consultation document (2010) for a full list of centres (www.kirklees.gov.uk/jobsandhomes)

Retail capacity study

- 7.11 The council commissioned a retail capacity study to cover the period 2008 to 2013 to provide a picture of the shopping patterns within Kirklees and, using householder surveys along with expenditure and turnover data, to assess the district's capacity for accommodating new retail floorspace. This study was updated in 2009 to take account of changing economic circumstances and new trends in population growth and expenditure, with forecasts for capacity up to 2015. The most recent study can be downloaded from the council website at www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments or a copy obtained by emailing dpi@kirklees.gov.uk or phoning (01484) 221627.

8. Environmental quality

Flooding

- 8.1. The Calder Valley Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) can be downloaded from www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments. This document should be read in conjunction with national planning policies and the Environment Agency Flood Map.
- 8.2. During the period 2009/10 there were no instances where planning permission was granted contrary to the sustained objection of the Environment Agency on water quality or flood risk grounds.

Areas of biodiversity importance

- 8.3. During the year to 31st March 2010, the total area of biodiversity importance in Kirklees has remained at 7,174.6 hectares which includes sites under the following designations:
- Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) (includes upland areas also designated as Special Protection Areas - SPA)
 - Site of Wildlife Significance (SWS)
 - Site of Scientific Interest (SSI)
 - Local Nature Reserve (LNR)
 - Biodiversity Action Plan Site (BAP)
 - Ancient Woodland

Open space

- 8.4. The council commissioned a borough-wide comprehensive assessment of open space provision in Kirklees in accordance with the requirements of national Planning Policy Guidance Note 17: Planning for Open Space, Sport and Recreation. The study provides an audit based analysis of the quantity, quality, value and accessibility of open spaces. The study also includes an assessment of existing and future needs for open space, sports and recreational facilities. The published document is available from the council website at www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments or copies can be requested by emailing dpi@kirklees.gov.uk or by phone on 01484 221627.
- 8.5. A key purpose of the study was to recommend open space provision standards for the LDF with a view to protecting existing open spaces from development and securing new open space provision where there are deficiencies. These recommendations are to be considered in due course as the LDF is progressed.
- 8.6. The study also makes recommendations on enhancements to existing open space which will assist the council in developing and improving leisure and recreational opportunities. Some of these

recommendations are already being taken into account, for example in the programme to upgrade existing play areas.

- 8.7. At present there is one park within Kirklees which has been awarded Green Flag status (figure 8a).

Figure 8a – Parks with Green Flag status within Kirklees				
Park Name	Park Location (including grid reference)	Local Authority Managed?	Area (ha)	Green Flag Status?
Oakwell Hall Country Park	Nova Lane, Birstall (421750, 437100)	Yes	46 ha	Awarded

Update note – December 2010

A revised Open Space report was issued in April 2010 taking account of quality and value assessments of new and refurbished sites. The revisions also reflect amendments made to the quality criteria and weightings for each typology. The updated report is now available on the website at: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments

9. Minerals

- 9.1 Figure 9a shows the amount of land won aggregates produced within the Kirklees area for the monitoring year 2009/10, split into categories of "crushed rock" and "sand and gravel".

Figure 9a – Production of primary land won aggregates by mineral planning authority (in tonnes)		
Waste Management Type	Crushed Rock	Sand and Gravel
Amount of Primary land won aggregates (tonnes)	175,000	n/a

10. Waste

- 10.1. Within Kirklees there are a variety of waste management facilities including 2 municipal waste transfer stations, 5 landfill sites, 5 household waste recycling centres (with public access), approximately 50 scrap yards and approximately 20 private sector waste transfer stations.
- 10.2. Three new waste management facilities were brought on line during the 2009/10 monitoring period consisting of two vehicle dismantling operations and one waste transfer station.
- 10.3. During this period, a total of 214,000 tonnes of municipal waste was generated and the methods of dealing with this waste are shown in figure 10a.

Figure 10a – Amount of municipal waste arising and the management type		
Waste Management Type	Amount of Waste (tonnes)	% of each Management Type
Waste to Energy i.e. Incineration	117,000	54.7
Landfill	30,000	14.0
Recycled/Composted	67,000	31.3
Total	214,000	100

11. Community involvement and access to information

Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)

- 11.1. The Statement of Community Involvement (as adopted on 27th September 2006) sets out standards to be achieved by the council in involving the community in the preparation of the Local Development Framework (LDF) and the planning applications process. The SCI will continue to be used to inform consultation preparation and processes as the LDF develops.
- 11.2. The Core Strategy Options Consultation (2009) generated over 2,800 individual responses and views were also sought from independently run focus groups, and from different sectors of the community through workshops run by Yorkshire Planning Aid. All of the consultation work was undertaken in accordance with the SCI and feedback received on the consultation processes will be used in the ongoing process of reviewing consultation methods. The Options Consultation Full and Summary Reports can be viewed under 'Previous consultations' at www.kirklees.gov.uk/jobsandhomes as part of the Core Strategy Draft Proposals consultation.

Access to information – Planning applications

- 11.3. The Unitary Development Plan (UDP) written statement and proposals maps are available at www.kirklees.gov.uk/udp. The schedule of saved and unsaved policies effective from 28th September 2007 is also available here.
- 11.4. From 6th April 2008, local planning application forms were replaced by a mandatory national standard planning application form (1 App). The council is able to accept planning applications using the 1 App form via the Planning Portal and is actively encouraging customers to make use of this option. However, to enable all of our customers to access our Service, the council is continuing to accept paper copies of 1 App applications.
- 11.5. The Kirklees Council website (www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning) enables planning applications to be searched and viewed. The search facility enables the user to access planning application details using information from the application or address, or by map search. The results allow the user to view the application and supporting statements and plans. The website also provides the facility to comment on planning applications or make an enforcement complaint online. A variety of general guidance and advice notes can also be accessed from this website.

Access to information – Local Development Framework

- 11.6. The council has a dedicated Local Development Framework (LDF) webpage (www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldf) from which all LDF documents can be viewed including details of past, current and forthcoming consultations. We also operate an online system for contributors to register their details and be kept informed of progress on the LDF. This system provides the ability for users to submit comments on LDF documents during consultation periods.
- 11.7. In terms of supporting information, key documents can be downloaded from www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments. Alongside this webpage, Appendix A of the annual monitoring report contains details of the information and data sources that contribute to the evidence base for the LDF, including details on where relevant supporting documents can be found. More detailed information regarding background information for the Core Strategy can be found in the Core Strategy Draft Proposals document in Appendix E (www.kirklees.gov.uk/jobsandhomes).

Appendix A: Evidence base data sources

The following table shows some key evidence base data sources. Further evidence is listed in Appendix E of the Core Strategy Draft Proposals document (published December 2010) (available at www.kirklees.gov.uk/jobsandhomes)

LDF policy area	Data source	Description	Further information/how to access document
Housing	Housing Land Supply Review (HLSR)	An annual publication providing a comprehensive record of land that is or has at some time been considered to be suitable for housing development, or currently has planning permission for housing.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments
	Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA)	As part of preparations for the Local Development Framework (LDF), Kirklees Council is carrying out a Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA). This will identify development sites with potential to contribute to the future land supply for the Local Development Framework. Publication of the SHLAA will coincide with the publication of the council's Core Strategy, which is scheduled to be in summer 2011.	For further information please access: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments
	Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA)	The SHMA provides information on the level of need and demand for affordable and market housing within Kirklees. The SHMA was published in September 2009.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments

	Economic Viability Assessment of land for Housing	The council has undertaken an assessment of land for housing to assist in the development of policies on affordable housing and particularly to help establish the level of developer contribution that can reasonable be secured.	For further information please contact the Policy Team by emailing DPI@kirklees.gov.uk or phoning 01484 221627
	Impact of Employment Growth on House Buying (Ecotec, 2010)	This paper examines the impact of the pattern and type of job growth on households' ability to purchase housing. It considers issues including the future effective demand for housing and likely delivery across the Yorkshire and Humber region.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments
	Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople	The West Yorkshire Housing Partnership (WYHP) commissioned a West Yorkshire Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment on behalf of the 5 West Yorkshire councils, which was completed in May 2008. It provides estimates of the requirements for residential and transit pitches up to 2026.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments
Employment	Employment Land Supply Review	An annual publication providing a comprehensive record of land that is or has at some time been considered to be suitable for employment/industrial	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments

		development, or currently has planning permission for these uses.	
	Kirklees Employers Survey	Published in 2009, this study uses questionnaire surveys of over 10% of businesses in Kirklees and, amongst other things, defines the aims and aspirations of these businesses in the future.	A summary of the main findings can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/business/employersurvey.shtml
	Knight Frank Employment Study	This study, commissioned by the council, assesses the potential for job growth within Kirklees and identifies a strategic approach to maximising employment opportunities in the district.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments
	Planning for Employment Land: Translating Jobs into Land (2010)	This report was commissioned by Yorkshire Forward in 2009 to inform the preparation of guidance to planning authorities on the assessment of future need for employment land.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments
Shopping and Services	Town Centre Audit Programme	The council undertakes annual surveys of shop unit occupancy, pedestrian footfall and a range of other indicators of town centre health to enable monitoring of impacts in relation to PPS4. These assessments cover 19 town and district centres across the district.	Annual publications exist up to 2007 for most of the centres and can be downloaded from: www.kirklees.gov.uk/towncentres For more recent information, please contact the Policy team by emailing DPI@kirklees.gov.uk or phoning 01484 221627.

	Shopping Centre Hierarchy	The council undertakes surveys of retail provision throughout the District from the main town and district centres, down to local and neighbourhood shopping facilities, and retail warehouse parks, on an annual or bi-annual basis. This information contributed to the assessment of the role and function of these centres, to form the centre hierarchy.	For further information please contact the Policy Team by emailing DPI@kirklees.gov.uk or phoning 01484 221627
	Retail Capacity Study	Updated in 2009 to take account of changing economic climate, the 2009-2015 retail capacity study assesses the District's ability to accommodate further retail floorspace now and in the future.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments
Open Space	Kirklees Open Space Study	The council commissioned a comprehensive assessment of open space provision in the District which provides an audit based analysis of the quantity, quality, value and accessibility of open spaces (October 2008). The study also includes strategy recommendations for further provision and improvement of existing facilities.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments

	Playing Pitch Strategy (2006)	The Playing Pitch Strategy provides an assessment of playing pitches used for sporting purposes across Kirklees. It includes pitches used for association football, cricket, rugby league, rugby union and hockey. The strategy examines the current level and quality of pitch provision and considers the potential demand for pitches up to 2012. Recommendations are set out for the protection, enhancement and redesignation of pitches as well as the need for new pitch provision.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments
Transport/Travel	West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan	A joint strategy supported by neighbouring authorities to tackle shared transport priorities to 2011.	The document can be viewed at www.wyltp.com
	Corridor Action Plans	Corridor studies are being developed as a continuing area of work to deal with congestion on the core road network. Plans to provide for the systematic improvement of congestion hotspots will be formulated.	For further information please contact the Policy Team by emailing DPI@kirklees.gov.uk or phoning 01484 221627
	A62/North Kirklees Connectivity Study	This study has been commissioned to consider the opportunities for improved public transport on the Leeds Road (A62) corridor and across north	For further information please contact the Policy Team by emailing DPI@kirklees.gov.uk or phoning 01484 221627

		Kirklees.	
Flooding	Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA)	The Kirklees SFRA (November 2008) identifies areas within flood risk zones 1, 2, 3a and 3b, in accordance with Planning Policy Statement 25: Development and Flood Risk.	Document and maps can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments
Nature conservation	Kirklees Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP)	This identifies locally important key habitats and species that have been prioritised for protection and enhancement.	Documentation can be accessed from the Kirklees Biodiversity webpages at: www.kirklees.gov.uk/community/environment/green/greenkirklees/biodiversity.shtml
	Biodiversity Opportunity Zones	The council has established priorities and opportunities for biodiversity in specific geographical areas of Kirklees. Background information is available in the supporting document which sets out the characteristics and land uses relevant to each biodiversity zone, as well as ecological connectivity issues and overarching objectives and issues.	Documentation can be accessed from the Kirklees Biodiversity webpages at: www.kirklees.gov.uk/community/environment/green/greenkirklees/biodiversity.shtml
Natural resources	South Pennines Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Study (September 2010)	The council and its South Pennine partner Authorities commissioned this study to examine the capacity for renewable and low carbon energy in the partnership	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments

		councils area within the South Pennines	
	Landscape Capacity Study for Wind Energy Developments in the South Pennines (January 2010)	The study provides an assessment of the landscape capacity for wind energy developments in the South Pennines area. The purpose and scope of the study is set out in paragraph 1.2 of the report.	Document can be downloaded: www.kirklees.gov.uk/ldfsupportdocuments