

Green Belt Review (SD19) Test 2d: Reassessment

Document provided as a result of matters arising from the Kirklees Local Plan Examination in Public Matter 8 'Approach to Site Allocation and Green Belt Release'.

The existing Green Belt Review (SD19) Test 2d assesses Green Belt land around settlements for its role in protecting the setting of historic assets using a 'RAG' rating (red/amber/green). How each of these assessments is derived and the resulting conclusion from the Assessment Matrix is set out in the Green Belt Review at pages 16 and 17 and at Appendix 1.

It is recognised that Test 2d is not assessing land against a Green Belt purpose as set out in paragraph 80 of NPPF which refers to historic towns. Consequently, Test 2d has been revisited replacing any 'amber' or 'red' assessments with 'green', indicating that land is not playing an important role in protecting the setting of historic towns. The results are listed below, showing the outcome of the revised combination of scores for tests 2b, 2c and 2d and any implications for the assessment of rejected Green Belt options.

Table 1: Revised RAG ratings for edges previously assessed as either 'amber' or 'red' at Test 2d and the implication for the edge assessment in LE4.1

Edge Ref	Existing 'RAG' (Tests 2b, 2c, 2d)	Existing Score	New 'RAG' (Tests 2b, 2c, 2d)	New Score	Rejected options affected	Implication for edge assessment in the Rejected Site Options Report (LE4.1)
BE3	RAA	4	RAG	4		
BW5	GAA	3 (amber)	GAG	2 (green)	None	None
B/EB18	AAR	3	AAG	3		
SCL3	RAA	4	RAG	4		
CB1	ARA	3	ARG	3		
GS5	RRA	5	RRG	5		
HT8	RAA	5 (Should be 4*)	RAG	4	None	None
MF21	RRA	5	RRG	5		
AL2	AAA	3	AAG	3		
AL5	GAA	3 (amber)	GAG	2 (green)	H510, H1681	Edge assessment should be green
AL8	GGA	2 (green)	GGG	1 (green)	H499 (on site of accepted option H1679).	None
AS12	RAA	4	RAG	4		
CMN10	AAA	3	AAG	3		
L2	GRA	4 amber -	GRG	3 (amber)	MX1904	None

		(should be 3 amber**)				
N6	ARA	3	ARG	3		
N7	RRR	5	RRG	5		
OL4	GRA	3	GRG	3		
DD10	RAA	4	RAG	4		
UD3	GGA	2 (green)	GGG	1 (green)	None	None
UD7	GAA	3 (amber)	GAG	2 (green)	None	None
E7	RRA	5	RRG	5		
ME1	RRA	5	RRG	5		
ME3	RRA	5	RRG	5		
ME4	RRA	5	RRG	5		
HB15	RGA	4	RGG	4		
HB23	GGA	2 (green)	GGG	1 (green)	H664a (within accepted option H664).	None
HP3	AAA	3	AAG	3		
HP6	GGA	2 (green)	GGG	1 (green)	None	None
KH1	GGA	2 (green)	GGG	1 (green)	None	None
KH2	AAA	3	AAG	3		
TL1	ARA	3	ARG	3		
TL3	AAA	3	AAG	3		
TL4	RAA	4	RAG	4		
TL5	GGA	2 (green)	GGG	1 (green)	None	None
FT6	RAA	4	RAG	4		
FT7	AAA	3	AAG	3		

*Error identified is in SD19 at Appendix 2a and SD20. The edge is not affected by the re-assessment of Test 2d.

** Error identified is in SD19 at Appendix 2a. SD20 and LE4.1 are correct. The edge is not affected by the re-assessment of Test 2d.

Any reference to the protection of the setting of historic assets in edge and site assessments for edges affected by the re-assessment of Test 2d will not apply (this does not affect edges physically constrained by the presence of historic assets at Test1b).