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KIRKLEES UNITARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

WRITTEN STATEMENT – REVISED WITH EFFECT FROM 28 SEPTEMBER 2007

As a result of a Direction issued by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, from 28 September 2007 some of the policies in the UDP continue to have effect ('saved policies') and some do not as they were not saved. This updated version of the UDP contains explanatory text for each not saved policy. Further information about policy saving can be found on the Kirklees website at

<http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/business/regeneration/udp/savedPolicies.aspx>

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Introduction

- 16.1 The Council is required to monitor the matters which may be expected to affect development or planning in Kirklees and review the plan on a regular basis. Policies and proposals in the plan have been expressed in a form which will facilitate monitoring and review. This section indicates the framework for measuring progress in the implementation of the plan and identifying when the plan should be reviewed.

The Purpose of Monitoring

- 16.2 There will be a constant need to monitor changes affecting the plan in order to:

- assess the scale and pace of implementation of the plan;
- provide a basis for action programmes to implement the plan;
- identify trends in the factors affecting development and provide updated forecasts;
- assess the continued relevance of the policies in relation to changing circumstances;
- inform the public and developers of changes in Kirklees;
- identify when the plan should be reviewed.

The Monitoring Process

- 16.3 The Council will monitor the effectiveness of the policies in the plan. Particular attention will be given to examining those issues identified by the general policies in part I of the plan:

- the scale and pace of regeneration, as indicated by the strength of the economic base, improvements to the infrastructure, and the extent and quality of employment opportunities;
- the extent to which new development reduces the need to travel;
- the quality of design of new development;
- the success of action to reduce poverty and promote a flourishing community, particularly in the most deprived areas;
- the effect of changes in land use on equality of opportunity.

The Council will monitor trends and developments in the use of land by assessing:

- the take up and availability of development land;
- the scale and location of derelict land and the after-use of reclaimed land;
- planning decisions and the take up of planning permissions;
- trends in population, household formation and employment;

Policies struck through ceased to have effect from 28 September 2007 (having been "not saved" by the Secretary of State). An explanatory note is provided for each not saved policy.

- housing need and demand;
- changes in retail and office floorspace;
- changes in the transport network and its usage;
- changes to the natural environment;
- the loss of agricultural land and its quality.

Annual Monitoring Statement

- 16.4 The Council will prepare a statement on an annual basis to report the results of the monitoring process.

Review of the Plan

- 16.5 The Council may prepare proposals to alter or replace the existing plan, or prepare a new plan at any time. The plan will be reviewed regularly to take account of changed local circumstances and changes in national policy guidance. While there are no hard and fast rules on how often a plan should be reviewed the Secretary of State for the Environment expects plans to be reviewed at least once every five years.