



South Lakeland Local Development Framework

Local Development Scheme

for the South Lakeland Local Development Framework
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Preface

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The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 sets out changes to the way that all Local Planning Authorities develop and publish planning policy for their area.

The new process will see the preparation of a Local Development Framework (LDF) that will replace the existing South Lakeland Local Plan. The LDF is a folder of documents rather than a single document, which incorporates the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), adopted in September 2006, the Annual Monitoring Report (AMR), published at the end of December each year, and the Local Development Scheme (LDS).

The LDS is essentially the project plan for producing the various documents in the LDF. It lists the documents to be prepared and the timescales for their preparation. It also provides a useful introduction to the new system for the preparation of plans.

This is the second review of the LDS and was endorsed by the Secretary of State in April 2007.

I hope that you find the document useful and interesting. If you have any questions in relation to its content or any other aspect of the LDF process please do not hesitate to contact the Development Plans Team on 01539 717490 or by e-mail at developmentplans@southlakeland.gov.uk [k>](mailto:developmentplans@southlakeland.gov.uk)

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Introduction

1.0 Introduction

1.1 The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, (PCPA), was enacted in May 2004 and commenced in September 2004. It aims to modernise the planning system and makes a number of significant changes to the development plan system, notably the replacement of Local Plans, with Local Development Frameworks (LDF). The LDF will essentially be a folder of documents to be known as Local Development Documents, (LDD). The base date for the proposed South Lakeland LDF is April 2002 and will cover a period of 15 years from the date of adoption of the Core Strategy, e.g. up to February 2025. The LDF will relate to the part of the District outside the Lake District and Yorkshire Dales National Parks¹ (see Map 1). Individual LDDs may cover a smaller geographical area than the LDF area. Appendix 5 includes a glossary of terms used in the new planning system. The diagram in Appendix 2 illustrates the relationship between various LDDs.

1.2 It is a requirement of the PCPA that the Council prepares and maintains a scheme to be known as the Local Development Scheme (LDS). The LDS is a public statement setting out the local planning authority's programme for preparing the Local Development Framework. It provides a valuable starting point to assist the community in understanding and getting involved in the new development plan process. The LDS sets out the LDDs that the Council is proposing to produce with a timetable for the preparation of each document. Progress on the implementation of the LDS is monitored through the Annual Monitoring Report (AMR), which is published annually at the end of December. The LDS is required to have a three year time horizon.

1.3 The first South Lakeland LDS was submitted to the Government Office North West (GONW), in March 2005 and became effective from June 2005. The 2005 AMR indicated a need for a re-evaluation of the scope and timetable for the LDF. In particular it was noted that Council staff resources were overstretched to undertake the preparation of the LDF and that the work involved in

Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) was under estimated. The LDS was reviewed and submitted to GONW in March 2006 and became effective as from June 2006.

1.4 The 2006 AMR indicated that although the Statement of Community Involvement was prepared in accordance with the timetable, the preparation of a number of documents, most importantly the Core Strategy had not progressed. As a result of a review of resources, baseline work for the LDF and decision making arrangements in Autumn 2006, it was decided that a new more realistic timetable should be set for the various LDF documents. The changes indicated in the 2006 AMR are incorporated in this edition of the LDS. Since the 2006 AMR was submitted to GONW in December 2006, the Cabinet at its meeting on the 14th of February 2007 approved the preparation of an Area Action Plan for the Kendal Canal Head Area.

1.5 The 2007 South Lakeland LDS was approved by the South Lakeland Cabinet² on 7th of March 2007 and covers the period April 2007 to the end of March 2010. It however indicates future work beyond April 2010 as well as work which has already taken place.

1.6 The 2007 LDS is available to download on the Council's website at www.southlakeland.gov.uk/ldf. It is also available to inspect at South Lakeland House, Kendal, Ulverston Town Hall and the district public libraries. It can be purchased by contacting the Development Plans Team on 01539 717359 or by email developmentplans@southlakeland.gov.uk for £10.

¹Separate LDFs will be prepared by the Lake District National Park and Yorkshire Dales National Park Authorities for their respective areas.

²As prescribed in the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2004 which link to the Local Government Act 2000



Context

2.0 Context

2.1 South Lakeland is located at the southern most part of Cumbria County covering an area of 1,545km². It has a population of 102,900 residents, (2004 mid-year estimates). The district is largely rural with 38% of the population living in villages and hamlets. The M6, A590 and the West Coast Main Rail Line pass through the District, giving South Lakeland the potential for excellent communications and locational advantages.

2.2 Kendal is the main town located in the south east part of the District with a population of 27,545. Ulverston is the second largest town in the Furness part of South Lakeland with a population of 11,124. In addition there are three more key service centres – Grange-over-Sand, Kirkby Lonsdale and Milnthorpe. A number of smaller settlements are scattered across the countryside, some acting as local service centres providing a range of services. South Lakeland is a popular residential area especially for retirement, a situation which has contributed to an acute problem of affordable housing.

2.3 It is often commented that the community is divided by age and income. The older (often retired) members of the community are able to enjoy the high quality environment on the edge of two national parks with private access to the market towns of Kendal and Ulverston providing a wide range of services. This group is not disadvantaged by poor public transport. In contrast the younger members of the community are struggling in a low wage economy, high housing costs and poor public transport. High housing costs and poor public transport also affect older people on lower fixed incomes.

2.4 The South Lakeland Community Strategy was produced in April 2004 by the South Lakeland Local Strategic Partnership, (LSP). It covers the period 2004-2024. It sets out the priorities for improving the environmental and socio-economic conditions in the District through sustainable development.

2.5 The existing development plan comprises the Cumbria Joint Structure Plan (CJSP) adopted in 2006; the South Lakeland Local Plan, adopted in 1997; and the South

Lakeland Local Plan Alteration adopted in 2006. The policies in the South Lakeland Local Plan were saved automatically for the first three years after commencement of the Act, until September 2007. It is necessary to save policies in the Local Plan beyond the three-year period with government approval until adoption of the new LDDs. It is the intention to ask GONW to extend the period of the saved policies until they are replaced by policies in the LDF. As such they will continue to be used in the determination of planning applications. Appendix 4 sets out an outline of the policies contained in the current Local Plan.

2.6 A key role for the LDF is to provide an up-to-date planning framework to deliver sustainable communities and ensure development is co-ordinated and linked to a clear strategy. The LDF will need to be prepared within the context of national planning policies and be in conformity with policies in CJSP. The CJSP will in due course be replaced by the new Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS). The draft RSS was subject to an Examination in Public late in 2006 and it is expected to be adopted in 2008. Once the RSS is adopted it will form part of the development plan for South Lakeland and the LDF will need to be in conformity with the policies contained therein. The Cumbria Authorities prepared a draft sub-regional strategy for Cumbria sub-region³, which informed the RSS.

³This includes Cumbria County Council and the six Cumbria Local Authorities.



LDF Outline

3.0 LDF Outline

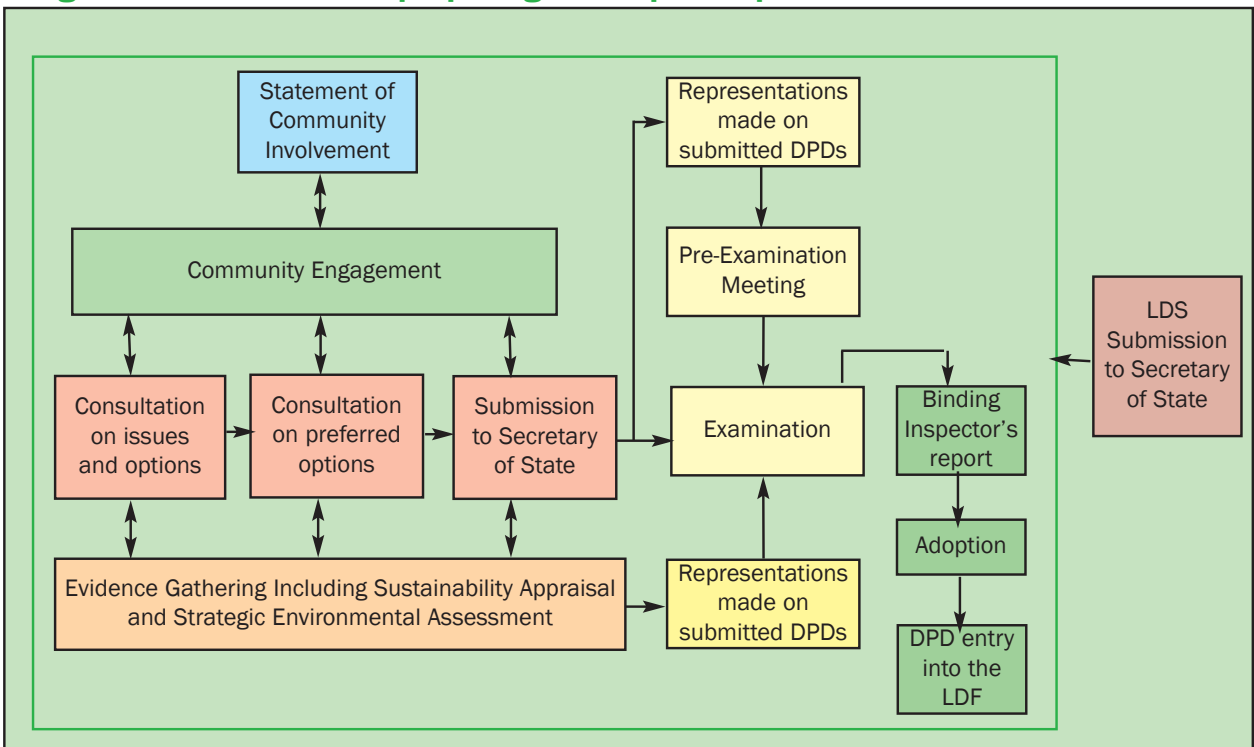
3.1 The purpose of this section is to describe the structure and content of the LDF, the nature of the proposed LDDs and their role in the development control process. Some LDDs will have “Development Plan Status” and will form part of the statutory development plan. They will be known as Development Plan Documents (DPDs), and will be the subject of an independent examination by a planning inspector. The Council is obliged to accept the Inspector’s recommendations if it wishes to adopt the particular DPD. The diagram below illustrates the processes for preparing a DPD.

3.2 Non-DPD documents will form material considerations in the development control

there has been slippage in the preparation of all documents apart from the Statement of Community Involvement, which was adopted on time. In autumn 2006 a review of resources, baseline work and decision making arrangements for the LDF was undertaken. As explained in the 2006 AMR, it is necessary to set a more realistic timetable for the various documents which can be achieved, taking into account available resources and revised Council decision making arrangements for the LDF.

3.4 The Council proposes to prepare the Core Strategy first and then simultaneously the Allocations of Land DPD and the Development Control Generic Policies DPD.

Diagram 1: Processes for preparing development plan documents



process. Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs), will be such non-DPD documents. They will be subject to public consultation before being adopted but will not be subject to an independent examination.

3.3 The schedule of documents below and the glossary at the end of the document explain the different types of documents to be prepared. The schedule also indicates the documents already prepared. As indicated in the 2006 Annual Monitoring Report (AMR),

The Core Strategy is the prime document and all other DPDs and SPDs need to be in conformity with it. Therefore, it is essential that it is prepared first. The revised timetable indicates an additional period of 18 months required for the adoption of the Core Strategy. This accommodates the new decision-making arrangements for the LDF and the need to undertake key further work on the evidence base, namely a PPG17 open space audit⁴ and an assessment of potential development areas.

⁴Planning Policy Guidance Note 17 (PPG17) contains national policy on the provision of open space. It requires local planning authorities to undertake an audit of open space and set standards of provision.



LDF Outline (cont.)

3.5 Taking into account the fact that the Local Plan is out of date, especially with regards to both residential and economic allocations, it is considered necessary to bring forward the Allocations of Land DPD as quickly as possible. This will enable the formulation of a clear housing and economic land strategy, rather than determining the housing and economic land supply in the LDF incrementally through planning applications. The Development Control Generic Policies DPD is considered a priority in order to provide a detailed policy framework for development control to determine planning applications.

3.6 It is intended that the preparation of the Allocations of Land DPD and the Development Control Generic Policies DPD will be progressed simultaneously with the Core Strategy. If at examination, the Core Strategy is held to be 'unsound', this would, of necessity, lead to possible revision of the content and /or timetable of this DPD and will also have implications for the preparation of the Allocations of Land DPD and the Development Control Generic Policies DPD. Their timetable is influenced by workload considerations for the Core Strategy. Examination will need to follow the examination for the Core Strategy and submission is further influenced by workload considerations for the Core Strategy. It is considered impractical for the Development Plans Team to prepare for submission and public consultation for these DPDs whilst also preparing for the examination of the Core Strategy. There is a revision to the timetable of an additional 13 months in the preparation of both these documents.

3.7 It has been considered appropriate that an Area Action Plan (AAP), be prepared for the Kendal Canal Head area. The AAP will seek to provide the statutory framework for the economic and physical regeneration of the area and facilitate the restoration of the canal. The area is close to the town centre and is characterised by a poor environment with a number of employment premises which although mostly in use they are old and of poor quality, sited in an inefficient and haphazard manner and with poor access. The AAP will aim to provide the basis for provision of modern employment space with new housing and leisure. The uplift in land value will also contribute to the restoration of the canal. This is a most significant area of the Town and it is necessary to ensure a strategic approach for realising the opportunities presented for the Town, which would not otherwise be delivered, by a piecemeal approach. The AAP would add value in delivering stronger developer confidence and provide the focus for engagement of stakeholders. The AAP will link and contribute towards the implementation of

the Kendal Economic Regeneration Action Plan, which will establish a vision for the future of Kendal as the Key Service Centre in the District and stimulate increasing private and public sector investment in the town. A map indicating the area to be covered by the AAP is attached to the details of this DPD in Appendix 1.

3.8 The 2006 LDS indicated the possibility of preparing AAPs for Ulverston Canal, Grange Town & Promenade and Gateway Centre. It is not considered necessary to pursue AAPs for these areas within existing resources. A masterplan has been prepared following public consultation for Ulverston Canal which provides a basis, albeit non statutory, for determining planning applications. A study will be undertaken in relation to Grange Town & Promenade, which will feed into the Core Strategy. The Core Strategy will provide sufficient policy framework for both the Ulverston Canal area and the Grange Town & Promenade. The Gateway Centre is a single proposal, which does not merit an AAP; if the proposal is considered acceptable it will be covered in the Core Strategy.

3.9 Following the examination into these DPDs, work will commence on the preparation of a series of SPDS. Details and a timetable for their preparation will be included in a future review of the LDS. Following a review of what SPDs are needed, it is no longer considered necessary or appropriate to prepare the Community Plans SPD whilst further consideration needs to be given to the need for the Conservation SPD and in particular whether there is any added benefit from adopting the Conservation Area Action Plans as an SPD. Furthermore the Design SPD will encompass the previously proposed Amenity SPD and Public Realm SPD. In addition, it is regarded as necessary to consider preparing SPDs on Affordable Housing and Open Space.

3.10 The SPDs will provide detailed guidance on the application of certain policies and proposals in the DPDs. It is envisaged that SPDs on the following subjects will be prepared:

- Wind Energy
- Landscape
- Design
- Section 106 Obligations
- Affordable Housing
- Open Space
- Highway Design Guide



3.11 The preparation of individual SPDs may be brought forward as resources allow if they are prepared prior to the Core Strategy being adopted, they will be linked to policies in the Local Plan.

between documents. A schedule of the documents is set out in the next section.

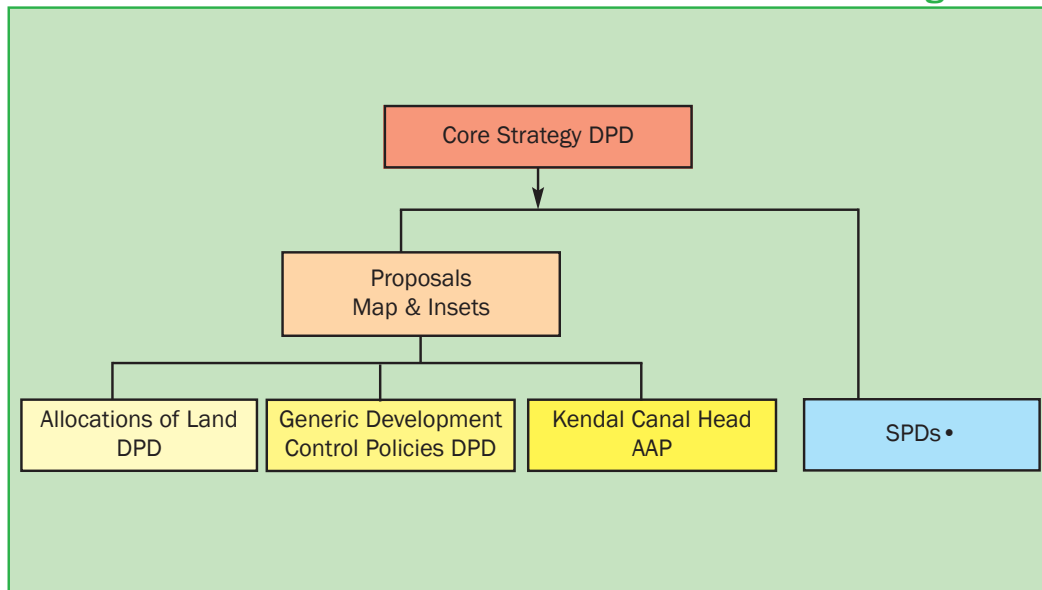
3.12 The Wind Energy and Landscape DPDs will be prepared jointly with Cumbria County Council and the other Cumbria Local Planning Authorities, including the Lake District National Park Authority. Cumbria County Council is the lead authority on the preparation of these two SPDs, which will be prepared in advance of the DPDs and therefore supplement the Local Plan. Following the replacement of the Local Plan by the various DPDs, both SPDs will be reviewed within the context of the relevant DPDs.

3.13 In relation to the Wind Energy SPD, public consultation was undertaken between October and December 2006. The SPD relates to the existing Local Plan and therefore it will need to be revised after adoption of the Core Strategy. Cumbria County Council will commence work on the Highway Design Guide in 2007 including some consultation with stakeholders.

3.14 It is intended to start work on the Landscape SPD once the Wind Energy SPD is adopted in 2007.

3.15 Diagram 2 below sets out the relationship

Diagram 2



• Wind Energy, Landscape, Design, Section 106 Obligations, Affordable Housing, Open Space, Highway Design Guide

Chain of Conformity

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3.9 The LDF will be prepared within the context of the South Lakeland Community Strategy (2004-2024)⁵. It will be consistent with national policies embodied in PPGs and PPSs and in conformity with the North West Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS)⁶. The new RSS when adopted will replace the Cumbria Joint Structure Plan, (CJSP)⁷ and form part of the statutory development plan for South Lakeland. The preparation of the Core Strategy will have regard to both the CJSP and the draft RSS. The Core Strategy is the prime Development Plan Document; all other LDDs will need to be in conformity with the Core Strategy.

3.10 In preparing the LDF, account will be taken of draft documents such as the emerging RSS and draft PPSs. The weight to be given to these documents will depend on the stage they have reached in their preparation process.

3.11 The LDF is further influenced by a number of other policy documents prepared by the Council or the Council's external partners, including:

- South Lakeland Corporate Plan
- Parish / Town Council Plans
- South Lakeland Local Agenda 21 published in 2000
- South Lakeland Economic Development Strategy 2004
- South Lakeland Recreation Strategy
- South Lakeland Tourism Strategy
- Ulverston Canal Head Masterplan
- Ulverston Market Town Initiative
- Arnsdale and Silverdale AONB Management Plan
- Cumbria Housing Strategy 2006-2011
- Cumbria Primary Care Trust Plan

- Cultural Strategy for South Lakeland 2005-2010
- Cumbria Biodiversity Action Plan
- Cumbria Local Transport Plan 2006-2012
- Cumbria Countryside Access Strategy 2005
- Cumbria Municipal Waste Management Strategy 2003
- Cumbria Destination Management Plan 2006 (Cumbria Tourist Board)

In addition, a number of regional strategies and EU Directives will be taken into account, including:

- SEA directive
- Habitat Directive
- Landfill Directive
- North West Regional Waste Strategy
- North West Regional Economic Strategy
- North West Regional Housing Strategy
- North West Tourism Strategy

⁵The South Lakeland Community Strategy is currently under review.

⁶The draft RSS was subject to examination in public between October 2006 and January 2007. It is expected that the panel's report will be published late in 2007 and the RSS be adopted late 2007 / early 2008.

⁷The Joint Cumbria Structure Plan, (JCSP) was adopted in April 2006



Schedule of Proposed LDDs

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The table below lists the LDDs, which will replace the South Lakeland Local Plan. Some of the LDDs will have Development Plan Document status and will form part of the statutory development plan. All DPDs will be subject to independent examination. The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) is the only non-DPD, which is subject to an independent examination.

The relationship between the various LDDs is shown in Appendix 2. A detailed listing of each LDD is given in Appendix 1 and includes the following information:

- Title, Status, Geographic Area
- Brief Description and outline of content⁸
- Chain of Conformity
- Related Documents
- Programme
- Arrangements for Production.

The 2006 AMR sets out proposed changes to the LDS, and reasons for the changes. Since the publication of the AMR, further changes have been made to the LDS in relation to the preparation of the Kendal Canal Head Masterplan.

In summary, the following LDDs are proposed:

Timescale of production	Document	Status	Brief Description	Chain of Conformity
Adopted September 2006	Statement of Community Involvement, (SCI)	Non-Development Plan Document	It is the Council's statement for community engagement in the development plan process and planning applications.	Consistent with Town and Country Planning (Local Development) Regulations 2004.
2005 - 2010	Core Strategy	Development Plan Document	It includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A statement of the vision and objectives. • A list of targets and indicators against which performance will be assessed. • The Spatial Strategy, setting out local strategic spatial policies which will be shown on a diagram. 	Consistent with National policies and the North West RSS.

⁸The content outline is indicative only, rather than a definitive list of policies.

Schedule of Proposed LDDs (cont.)

2007 - 2010	Kendal Canal Head AAP	Development Plan Document	The AAP will seek to provide the statutory framework for the economic and physical regeneration of the area and facilitate the restoration of the canal.	Consistent with national policies, and in conformity with the North West RSS and the Core Strategy.
2007 - 2010	Allocations of Land DPD	Development Plan Document	This will cover allocations for specific developments including residential and employment uses.	Consistent with national policies, and in conformity with the North West RSS and the Core Strategy.
2007 - 2010	Development Control Generic Policies DPD	Development Plan Document	This includes a list of policies relating to development where no specific allocation is made on the proposals maps, e.g. telecommunications.	Consistent with national policies, and in conformity with the North West RSS and the Core Strategy.
2007 - 2010	Proposals Map	Development Plan Document	It will provide a geographical representation of policies and proposals in the various DPDs. The Proposals Map will be revised each time a new DPD is prepared.	Consistent with national policies, and in conformity with the North West RSS and the Core Strategy.
2005 - 2007	Wind Energy SPD	Non-Development Plan Document	This will provide detailed guidance in the application of local plan policies in the determination of applications for wind energy developments.	Consistent with national policies, and in conformity with the Cumbria Joint Structure Plan and the South Lakeland Local Plan and Alteration.

Schedule of Proposed LDDs (cont.)

2007 - 2008	Landscape SPD	Non-Development Plan Document	This will provide detailed guidance on applying the Cumbria landscape classification, landscape character assessment and, in particular, how land management and/or development can contribute towards the restoration, conservation or enhancement of landscape character.	Consistent with national policies, and in conformity with the Cumbria Joint Structure Plan and the South Lakeland Local Plan and Alteration.
To commence in 2007	Highway Design Guide	Non-Development Plan Document	This will provide guidance on the lay-out of highway and transport infrastructure which are to be provided as part of new housing, commercial and industrial developments.	Consistent with national policies, and in conformity with the Cumbria Joint Structure Plan and the South Lakeland Local Plan and Alteration.
To commence in 2010	Supplementary Planning Documents, (SPD) covering Design, Section 106 Obligations, Affordable Housing and Open Space.	Non-Development Plan Document	These will provide detailed guidance on the application of policies in the Core Strategy, Allocations of Land DPD and Development Control Generic Policies DPD.	In conformity with national policies and the North West RSS.

Currently the Council is progressing conservation area appraisals in the District which will then feed into management plans for each conservation area. Once the conservation area appraisals are complete and work on management plans has started, the Council will consider through the Annual Monitoring Report the advantages of adopting management plans as Supplementary Planning Documents.

Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment

4. SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL (SA)/ STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (SEA)⁹ APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT¹⁰

4.1 SA is an important feature of the new development plans system and seeks to ensure that policies and proposals reflect sustainable development principles. SEA arises from a EU Directive and applies to all plans which are likely to have significant effects on the Environment.

1• In accordance with Government guidance¹¹, it is the intention to combine the SA and SEA requirements. Therefore, reference to SA also covers the SEA requirements, and the SA Report also includes the requirements for an Environmental Report under the SEA Directive. The SA Report will be the subject of public consultation simultaneously with the relevant planning document.

2• For each DPD, a SA Report will be prepared at Preferred Options and Submission Draft stages. A SA Report will also be prepared and published for consultation simultaneously with each SPD.

3• A SA Focus Group has been set up to carry out the sustainability appraisal work. The membership of the group consists of different organisations representing social, economic and environmental interests and expertise. For the SA of any individual planning document a small group of 9 people will be drawn from the wider membership, 3 from each of the areas of sustainability. The reason to establish a 'pool' of expertise was so that the same people were not being called upon time and again and also for ease of organising appraisal meetings. The 'pool' of member organisations includes Morecambe Bay Primary Care Trust, Cumbria Rural Enterprise Agency and South Lakeland Friends of the Earth.

4• In 2006, the Sustainability Framework¹² for the Core Strategy incorporating the sustainability objectives was agreed with the four consultation bodies¹³ as well as local stakeholders. The agreed sustainability framework will be used as the basis for the sustainability appraisal of Preferred Options and Submission draft of the Core Strategy. The Sustainability Framework will be reviewed at an appropriate time in relation to the preparation of other LDDs.

5• Appropriate Assessment is required under European legislation and seeks to assess the effects of plans and strategies on habitats and species of European importance. A EU-wide network of sites known as Natura 2000 has been established and the following fall wholly or partly within South Lakeland LDF area:

- The River Kent and its tributaries
- Morecambe Bay
- Morecambe Bay Pavements
- The Duddon Estuary
- Duddon Mosses
- Roudsea Wood and Mosses

6• Consultants will be appointed to carry out an Appropriate Assessment of the proposed DPDs with regards to the above Natura 2000 sites.

⁹SEA stands for Strategic Environmental Assessment and is a requirement of the EU Directive 2001/42 known as the SEA Directive.

¹⁰Appropriate Assessment is a requirement of EU Directive 92/43/EEC on the Conservation of Natural Habitats and Wild Fauna and Flora – the Habitat Directive.

¹¹Sustainability Appraisal of Regional Spatial Strategies and Local Development Frameworks – November 2005 - Office of Deputy Prime Minister.

¹²The Sustainability Framework is set out in the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report April 2006

¹³The four consultation bodies are: the Environment Agency, English Nature, English Heritage and Countryside Agency.



Information Base/Annual Monitoring Report

5. INFORMATION BASE

5.1 The information base forms the justification for the policies and proposals in the LDF and will be available at the same time or before the publication of the various LDDs. It includes data collected and analysed by South Lakeland District Council and studies carried out by consultants on behalf of the Council. The LDF will also have regards to a number of Strategies and other policy documents prepared by South Lakeland District Council and external partners, as indicated in the "Chain of Conformity" section above. The information will assist in identifying opportunities, constraints and issues for the area.

5.2 The information base comprises a number of studies and specific data as listed below and is available for inspection at the Council's main planning office in South Lakeland House, Kendal. The studies are also available on the website at www.southlakeland.gov.uk. Copies of documents can be made available at a reasonable charge.

5.3 The information base includes:

Studies

- Housing Needs and Market Assessment 2006
- Urban Capacity Study published 2006 (Base Date April 2004)
- Urban Capacity 2006 update (expected publication Autumn 2007)
- Stock Condition Survey
- South Lakeland Employment Land and Premises Study December 2005.
- South Lakeland Retail Study (expected publication February 2007); base date summer 2006.

- Open Space (PPG17) study, (to include a Playing Pitch Assessment); expected publication October 2007
- Strategic Flood risk Assessment; expected publication Spring 2007
- South Lakeland Employment and Housing Land Search Study; expected to be published July/August 2007

Information

- 2001 Census
- Housing Land Availability information
- Housing Land Position Statement 2006; expected to be published June 2007
- Economic Land Availability information
- Economic Land Position Statement; expected to be published June 2007
- Flood Risk Maps prepared by the Environment Agency.

5.4 Additional studies or reviews of existing studies may be undertaken as work progresses on the LDF. These will be specified in future reviews of the LDS.

6. ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT (AMR)

6.1 The new legislation requires that the Council prepare an Annual Monitoring Report (AMR), to assess the implementation of the LDS and the extent to which policies in LDDs are being achieved. The AMR is based upon the year ending 31st of March and is submitted to the Secretary of State by the following December. With regards to the LDS, the AMR indicates whether there is a need for adjustments to the scheme. The first and second AMRs were submitted in December 2005 and 2006 respectively.



Information Base/Annual Monitoring Report

They are available for inspection at the Council's planning offices and on the website and also to purchase at £10.

6.2 The 2006 AMR proposed further changes to the timetable for the preparation of the various documents in the LDF. The reasons included underestimating the time requirements for the sustainability appraisal work, turnover of staff in the Development Plans Team and realisation that the previous two LDSs set rather optimistic timetables. The new timetable will further enable emerging policies at the regional level to be taken into account. The proposed main changes in the 2006 AMR are: -

- Public consultation on Preferred Options for the Core Strategy to be scheduled for January 2008;
- Submission and public consultation of the draft Core Strategy to be scheduled for January 2009;
- Adoption of Core Strategy to be scheduled February 2010;
- Public consultation on Issues and Options for the Allocation of Land DPD and Development Control Generic Policies DPD to be scheduled for January 2008;
- Public consultation on Preferred Options for the Allocation of Land DPD and Development Control Generic Policies DPD to be scheduled for January 2009;
- Submission and public consultation of the draft Allocation of Land DPD and Development Control Generic Policies DPD to be scheduled for October 2009;
- Adoption of Allocation of Land DPD and Development Control Generic Policies DPD to be scheduled November 2010.

6.3 Since the 2006 AMR was submitted to GONW in December 2006, the Cabinet at its meeting on the 14th of February 2007 approved the preparation of an Area Action Plan for the Kendal Canal Head Area.

6.4 In addition the Joint Wind Energy SPD will now be adopted June 2007. The Joint Landscape SPD will commence in June 2007, with public consultation taking place in March 2008 before the final SPD being adopted in December 2008.

7. TIMETABLE

7.1 The Gantt chart in Appendix 3 provides an overview of the timetable for the preparation of LDF documents on a three-year rolling programme. The period for this LDS is 1 April 2007 – 31 March 2010. Milestones against which progress will be monitored are indicated by 'M'.

7.2 Cabinet/Council meeting dates beyond July 2007 are only provisional and may change, which may necessitate amendments to the timetable.

7.3 The timetable for each LDD is also shown in the Schedule of documents in Appendix 1.

8. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

8.1 The preparation of the LDF is the responsibility of the Regeneration and Housing Services Manager. Leading the preparation of the LDF is the Development Plans Policy Team. The Development Plans Manager is the project manager and will be responsible for the day-to-day running of the project and the management of staff and resources. The project team comprises:

- The Development Plans Manager
- 1 senior planner
- 2 planners
- 1 planning technician
- 1 group assistant



Project Management (cont.)/LDS Monitoring and Review

8.2 The project team will be working predominantly on the LDF. Currently two days from one of the planner posts are vacant.

8.3 Consultants will assist with the preparation of background studies and some of the DPDs. In addition planning officers within the Development Control Team will assist when needed in particular with community engagement, policy implementation and monitoring and as expert witnesses at examination.

8.4 The LDF Steering Group has been set up to oversee the preparation and adoption of the LDF. It is a politically balanced and inclusive group and also includes a representation from the Council's Community Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee. It is chaired by the Council's portfolio holder responsible for planning. The group will consider all draft documents before recommending them to the South Lakeland Cabinet or South Lakeland Council for approval. The Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) will provide the link with the Community Strategy and the wider community through consultation.

8.5 A LDF working group has also been set up to ensure efficient and effective links with other Council departments and their partners at working level. Membership of the group includes officers from Planning, Housing, Neighbourhood Services and Policy and Performance. Policy and Performance will provide the link with the LSP. The group will consider draft documents before the LDF Steering Group.

Resources

8.6 Financial resources have been set aside in the Regeneration and Housing Services core budget to cover the following costs:

- Document production, (including draft documents)
- Consultation exercise, (including publicity)
- Mapping
- Consultants' fees as required, pre and post-submission.
- Legal fees

- Planning Inspectorate.

8.7 The project team will prepare the Core Strategy and will be assisted by consultants for the preparation of the Allocations of Land DPD and the Development Control Generic Policies DPD.

9. LDS MONITORING AND REVIEW

9.1 The LDS is a three-year rolling programme, which will be monitored annually to assess progress in relation to milestones in the timetable. The AMR will provide reasons for any slippage and indicate whether there is a need to amend the LDS.



Risk Management/Contacts

10. RISK MANAGEMENT

10.1 A number of unknowns could jeopardise the timetable in the LDS. The main areas of risks are considered below. Measures to minimise risks and their effect on the timetable are provided for each risk area.

1. Staff turnover in the Development Plans Policy Team

It is difficult to account for this risk. The effect of vacancies in the project team will be minimised by striving to ensure a quick replacement and minimise the time posts remain vacant. Even with successful recruitment, there remains the risk of limited experience and the need for lead-in training time.

In circumstances of vacancies in the project team, the Council will consider outsourcing work to outside consultants, to provide expert advice or supplement staff resources as required.

2. Volume of responses to public consultation.

It is not possible to quantify in advance the volume of work resulting from the public consultation. The community will be involved in the preparatory stages with the aim to resolve issues before submission of the draft LDF.

3. Public Consultation Fatigue/Disinterest

There is danger of the public and stakeholders being consulted on too many documents as part of the LDF as well as other documents prepared by South Lakeland Council or other organisations. There is also danger of the general public being disinterested in the LDF process.

In order to facilitate public involvement, consultation exercises will as much as possible be co-ordinated. In addition with every consultation there will be wide publicity and awareness raising of the process. The Council's community paper, 'South Lakeland News', which is circulated to every household in the District will be used to raise awareness of the importance of the LDF and to encourage public involvement.

4. Further changes to the planning system

It is not possible to plan for further changes to

the planning system or clarification of the requirements of the new system. Such matters can at any time add to the workload with implications for the timetable. The Council will endeavour to deal with new requirements with minimum disruption to the timetable.

5. Capacity of the Planning Inspectorate to deal with amount of workload

GONW will consult with the Planning Inspectorate before it approves the LDS.

6. Length and outcome of independent examination.

This risk is related to 2 above. The Council has sought to minimise the volume of issues to be resolved at examination, through ensuring a robust evidence base and wide pre-submission public consultation and the involvement of the LSP.

7. LDDs found unsound / Legal Challenges

This risk involves the Planning Inspector finding any of the LDDs unsound and any legal challenge post-adoption of the LDF.

The risk of finding the LDF unsound is minimised by working closely with the Government Office for the North West to ensure the chain of conformity is achieved and correct procedures followed including SA. The Council will also ensure that all LDDs are based on robust and credible information, they are realistic and able to be implemented and have taken proper account of the views of the community.

11. CONTACTS

11.1 For further information on the preparation of the South Lakeland Local Development Framework, please contact the Development Plans Manager:

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Appendix 1 - Statement of Community Involvement

APPENDIX 1 – DETAILS OF LDDS

1.

Title	STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT	
Status	NON-DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT	
Geographic Area	SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT OUTSIDE THE TWO NATIONAL PARK AREAS	
Brief Description		
This sets out how the Council will consult with the community in the preparation of the LDF and on planning applications.		
Chain of Conformity		
Not applicable		
Related Documents		
The section on Chain of Conformity sets out a full list of inter-related documents of which the main one is the South Lakeland Community Strategy ¹⁴ and the LSP Community Engagement Task Force Reports		
Programme		
Key Stages	Timescale	
• Commencement of preparation*	April 2004	Achieved
• Public consultation on draft*	July 2005	Achieved
• Submission to DCLG and public consultation*	November 2005	Achieved
• Pre-examination meeting	February 2006	Not considered necessary
• Independent Examination*	July 2006	Achieved
• Receipt of Inspector's Report	September 2006	Achieved
• Adoption*	September 2006	Achieved
* Indicates a milestone		
Arrangements for Production		
Organisational Lead	Council's Regeneration and Housing Manager	
Political Management	South Lakeland Council The LDF Steering Group and Council's Cabinet will consider all documents through the various stages.	
Resources	The Development Plans Team will have overall responsibility, also drawing on contributions from other sections in the Council and Consultants	
Community and Stakeholder Involvement	The Council's Policy and Performance Team will provide the link with the Community Strategy and Parish Councils.	
Post-Production Monitoring and Review		
The Annual Monitoring Report will examine whether key targets and indicators are being met.		

¹⁴South Lakeland Community Strategy covers the period up to 2004 - 2024.

Appendix 1 - Core Strategy

2.

Title	CORE STRATEGY
Status	DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT
Geographic Area	SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT OUTSIDE THE TWO NATIONAL PARK AREAS
Brief Description	
<p>It includes a statement of the vision and objectives; a list of targets and indicators against which performance will be assessed; the spatial strategy and core policies for delivering that vision.</p> <p>The spatial strategy will set out local strategic policies, which may be shown on the proposals map. The detailed content below is indicative at this stage and subject to amendments in terms of the specific policies listed.</p> <p>1. VISION AND OBJECTIVES</p> <p>This will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision - a short description of how the District will look and function after implementation of the objectives • Objectives • Targets and indicators taking account of Community Plan and RSS targets. <p>2. SPATIAL STRATEGY</p> <p>This will provide the local strategic policy context for future developments. The policies will include¹⁵ :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Development Principles (ii) Green Infrastructure (iii) Social infrastructure (iv) Housing Land Supply (v) Affordable Housing (vi) Economic Land Supply (vii) Transport infrastructure (viii) Retail Developments (ix) Biodiversity (x) Protection and enhancement of the built environment 	
Chain of Conformity	
<p>The Core Strategy will be consistent with national policies and in conformity with the RSS. All other LDDs will need to be in conformity with the Core Strategy.</p>	
Related Documents	
<p>The section on Chain of Conformity sets out a full list of inter-related documents of which the main ones are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Policies • North West Regional Spatial Strategy • South Lakeland Community Strategy¹⁶ • South Lakeland Economic Development Strategy • Cumbria Housing Strategy. 	

¹⁵This is an indicative list.

¹⁶South Lakeland Community Strategy covers the period up to 2004 - 2024.

Appendix 1 - Core Strategy (cont.)

2. (cont.)

Programme		
Key Stages	Timescale	
• Commencement of preparation*	May 2005	Achieved
• Public Consultation on issues and Options Achieved	November 2005 -	
• Public Consultation on Preferred Options*	6 weeks January 2008 -	
• Submission to DCLG and public consultation*	6 weeks January 2009 -	
	6 weeks	
• Pre-examination meeting*	May 2009	
• Commencement of the Examination*	July 2009	
• Receipt of Inspector's Report	January 2010	
• Adoption*	February 2010	
*Indicates key milestone		
Arrangements for Production		
Organisational Lead	Council's Regeneration and Housing Manager	
Political Management	South Lakeland Council The LDF Steering Group and Council's Cabinet will consider all documents through the various stages.	
Resources	The Development Plans Team will have overall responsibility, also drawing on contributions from other sections in the Council and Consultants.	
Community and Stakeholder Involvement	The Council's Policy and Performance Team will provide the link with the Community Strategy and Parish Councils.	
Post-Production Monitoring and Review		
The Annual Monitoring Report will examine whether key targets and indicators are being met.		

Appendix 1 - Kendal Canal Head Area Action Plan

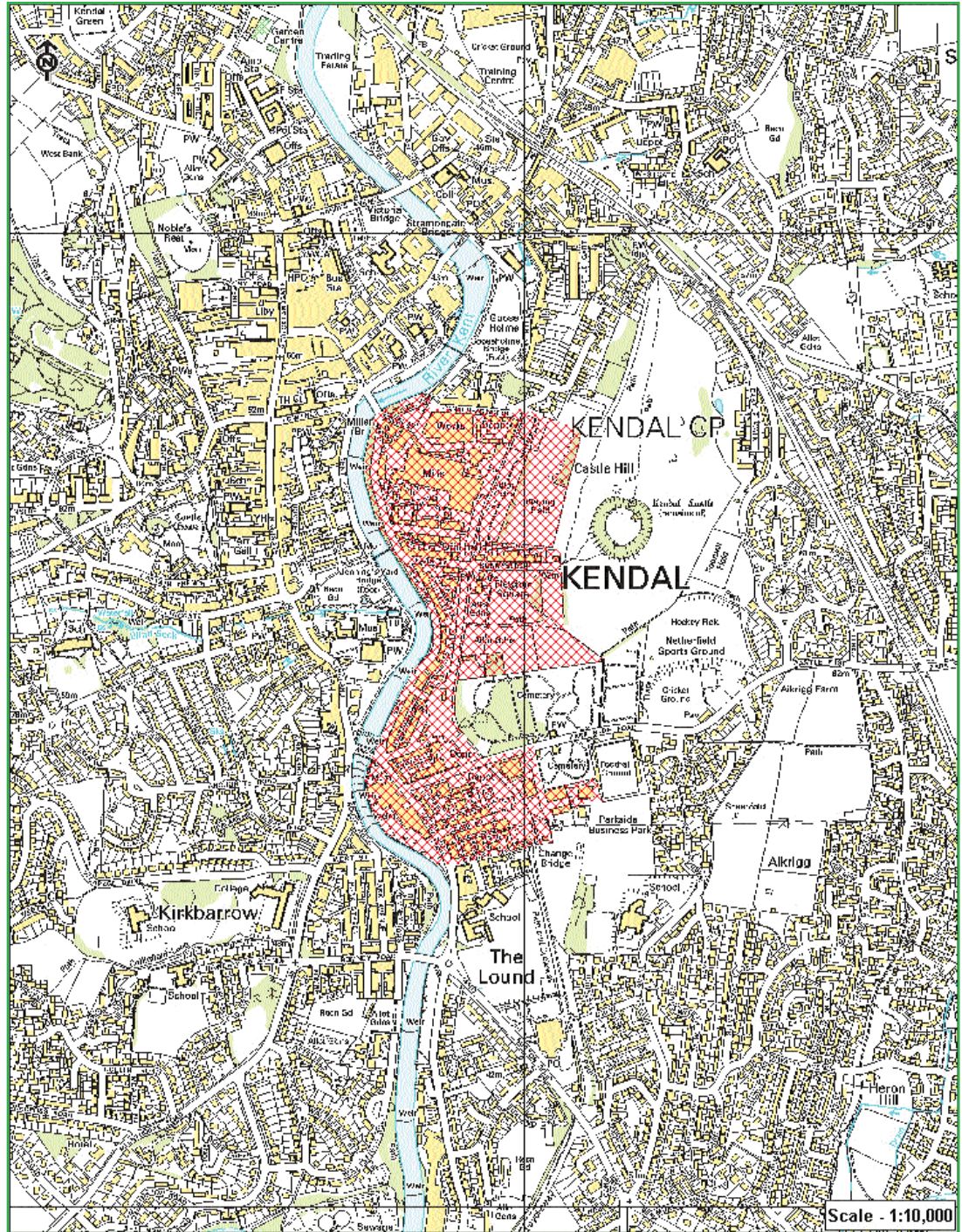
3.

Title	KENDAL CANAL HEAD AREA ACTION PLAN (AAP)	
Status	DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENTS	
Geographic Area	KENDAL CANAL HEAD REGENERATION AREA	
Brief Description		
<p>The AAP will seek to provide the statutory framework for the economic and physical regeneration of the area and facilitate the restoration of the canal. It will aim to provide the basis for provision of modern employment space with the new housing and leisure. The uplift in land value will also contribute to the restoration of the canal.</p> <p>The AAP will link and contribute towards the implementation of the Kendal Economic Regeneration Action Plan, which will establish a vision for the future of Kendal as the Key Service Centre in the District and stimulate increasing private and public sector investment in the town.</p>		
Chain of Conformity		
The Kendal Canal Head AAP will be in accordance with national policies and in conformity with the RSS and the Core Strategy.		
Related Documents		
<p>The section on Chain of Conformity sets out a full list of inter-related documents of which the main ones are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Policies • North West Regional Spatial Strategy • South Lakeland Community Strategy¹⁷ 		
Programme		
If at examination, the Core Strategy is held to be 'unsound', this would lead to possible revision of the content and /or timetable of this DPD.		
	Key Stages	Timescale
	• Commencement of preparation*	November 2005
	• Public Consultation on Issues and Options	May 2007
	• Public Consultation on Preferred Options*	March 2008
	• Submission to DCLG and public consultation*	January 2009
	• Pre-examination meeting*	October 2009
	• Commencement of the Examination*	December 2009
	• Receipt of Inspector's Report	May 2010
	• Adoption*	June 2010
	* Indicates key milestone	
Arrangements for Production		
Organisational Lead	Council's Regeneration and Housing Manager	
Political Management	South Lakeland Council The LDF Steering Group and Council's Cabinet will consider all documents through the various stages.	
Resources	The Development Plans Team will have overall responsibility, also drawing on contributions from other sections in the Council and Consultants.	
Community and Stakeholder Involvement	The Council's Policy and Performance Team will provide the link with the Community Strategy and Parish Councils.	
Post-Production Monitoring and Review		
The Annual Monitoring Report will examine whether key targets and indicators are being met.		

¹⁷ South Lakeland Community Strategy covers the period up to 2004 - 2024.

Appendix 1 - Kendal Canal Head AAP

Map for Kendal Canal Head AAP



The area is indicative only and the final area will be looked at in the DPD.

Appendix 1 - Allocations of Land DPD

4.

Title	ALLOCATIONS OF LAND DPD	
Status	DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENTS	
Geographic Area	SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT OUTSIDE THE TWO NATIONAL PARK AREAS	
Brief Description		
This includes a list of allocations for specific developments including housing, employment, retail and open space.		
Chain of Conformity		
The Allocations of Land DPD will be in accordance with national policies and in conformity with the RSS and the Core Strategy.		
Related Documents		
The section on Chain of Conformity sets out a full list of inter-related documents of which the main ones are:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Policies • North West Regional Spatial Strategy • South Lakeland Community Strategy¹⁸ 		
Programme		
If at examination, the Core Strategy is held to be 'unsound', this would lead to possible revision of the content and/or timetable of this DPD.		
Key Stages	Timescale	
• Commencement of preparation*	January 2007	
• Public Consultation on Issues and Options	January 2008 - 6 weeks	
• Public Consultation on Preferred Options*	January 2009 - 6 weeks	
• Submission to DCLG and public consultation*	November 2009 - 6 weeks	
• Pre-examination meeting*	March 2010	
• Commencement of the Examination*	May 2010	
• Receipt of Inspector's Report	November 2010	
• Adoption*	December 2010	
* Indicates key milestone		
As this DPD is submitted at the same time as the Generic Development Control Policies DPD the length of time for the examinations and reporting will depend upon various factors including the number of representations received, the length of the examinations and the amount of resources Planning Inspectorate (PINS) has available. The examination and reporting timescales might have to be revised at a later date for the reasons set out above.		
Arrangements for Production		
Organisational Lead	Council's Regeneration and Housing Manager	
Political Management	South Lakeland Council The LDF Steering Group and Council's Cabinet will consider all documents through the various stages.	
Resources	The Development Plans Team will have overall responsibility, also drawing on contributions from other sections in the Council and Consultants.	
Community and Stakeholder Involvement	The Council's Policy and Performance Team will provide the link with the Community Strategy and Parish Councils.	
Post-Production Monitoring and Review		
The Annual Monitoring Report will examine whether key targets and indicators are being met.		

¹⁸South Lakeland Community Strategy covers the period up to 2004 - 2024.

Appendix 1 - Development Control Generic Policies

5.

Title	DEVELOPMENT CONTROL GENERIC POLICIES, (DC Generic Policies)	
Status	DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENTS	
Geographic Area	SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT OUTSIDE THE TWO NATIONAL PARK AREAS	
Brief Description		
This will set the principle against which all planning applications will be assessed against, including:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General requirements such as amenity, landscaping, pollution • Design requirements • Accessibility requirements, including car parking, site access, travel plans, disabled access etc. • Conservation requirements, including tree protection and replacement, biodiversity, listed buildings, archaeology • Community Benefit. 		
It will also include policies relating to developments where no specific allocation is made on the proposals map and have not been covered by the Core Strategy, such as:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Householder Developments • Shopfronts • Advertising • Telecommunications • Gypsy Developments 		
Chain of Conformity		
The DC Generic Policies DPD will be in accordance with national policies and in conformity with the RSS and the Core Strategy.		
Related Documents		
The section on Chain of Conformity sets out a full list of inter-related documents of which the main ones are:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Policies • North West Regional Spatial Strategy • South Lakeland Community Strategy¹⁹ 		
Programme		
If at examination, the Core Strategy is held to be 'unsound', this would lead to possible revision of the content and/or timetable of this DPD.		
	Key Stages	Timescale
	• Commencement of preparation*	January 2007
	• Public Consultation on Issues and Options	January 2008 - 6 weeks
	• Public Consultation on Preferred Options*	January 2009 - 6 weeks
	• Submission to DCLG and public consultation*	November 2009 - 6 weeks
	• Pre-examination meeting*	March 2010
	• Commencement of the Examination*	May 2010
	• Receipt of Inspector's Report	November 2010
	• Adoption*	December 2010
	* Indicates key milestone	
As this DPD is submitted at the same time as the Generic Development Control Policies DPD the length of time for the examinations and reporting will depend upon various factors including the number of representations received, the length of the examinations and the amount of resources Planning Inspectorate (PINS) has available. The examination and reporting timescales might have to be revised at a later date for the reasons set out above.		
Arrangements for Production		
Organisational Lead	Council's Regeneration and Housing Manager	
Political Management	South Lakeland Council The LDF Steering Group and Council's Cabinet will consider all documents through the various stages.	
Resources	The Development Plans Team will have overall responsibility, also drawing on contributions from other sections in the Council and Consultants.	
Community and Stakeholder Involvement	The Council's Policy and Performance Team will provide the link with the Community Strategy and Parish Councils.	
Post-Production Monitoring and Review		
The Annual Monitoring Report will examine whether key targets and indicators are being met.		

¹⁹South Lakeland Community Strategy covers the period up to 2004 - 2024.

Appendix 1 - Proposals Map

6.

Title	PROPOSALS MAP	
Status	DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT	
Geographic Area	SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT OUTSIDE THE TWO NATIONAL PARK AREAS	
Brief Description		
<p>The proposals map will provide a geographical representation of policies and proposals in the Core Strategy and Allocations of Land DPD on an ordnance survey base.</p> <p>The timetable set out below relates to the production of the Allocations of Land DPD. The Proposals Map will be amended to reflect policies and proposals in subsequent DPDs as they get adopted.</p>		
Chain of Conformity		
<p>The Proposals Map will be in accordance with national policies and in conformity with the RSS and the Core Strategy.</p>		
Related Documents		
<p>The section on Chain of Conformity sets out a full list of inter-related documents of which the main ones are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Policies • North West Regional Spatial Strategy • South Lakeland Community Strategy²⁰ 		
Programme		
Key Stages	Timescale	
• Commencement of preparation*	January 2007	
• Public Consultation on Issues and Options	January 2008 - 6 weeks	
• Public Consultation on Preferred Options*	January 2009 - 6 weeks	
• Submission to DCLG and public consultation*	November 2009 - 6 weeks	
• Pre-examination meeting*	March 2010	
• Commencement of the Examination*	May 2010	
• Receipt of Inspector's Report	November 2010	
• Adoption*	December 2010	
* Indicates key milestone		
Arrangements for Production		
Organisational Lead	Council's Regeneration and Housing Manager	
Political Management	South Lakeland Council The LDF Steering Group and Council's Cabinet will consider all documents through the various stages.	
Resources	The Development Plans Team will have overall responsibility, also drawing on contributions from other sections in the Council and Consultants.	
Community and Stakeholder Involvement	The Council's Policy and Performance Team will provide the link with the Community Strategy and Parish Councils.	
Post-Production Monitoring and Review		
The Annual Monitoring Report will examine whether key targets and indicators are being met.		

²⁰South Lakeland Community Strategy covers the period up to 2004 - 2024.

Appendix 1 - Wind Energy SPD

7.

Title	JOINT WIND ENERGY SPD	
Status	Joint NON-DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT	
Geographic Area	Cumbria County excluding part in Yorkshire Dale National Park	
Brief Description		
This will provide guidance on design, landscape and visual impacts and on landscape capacity. The SPD will include:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance on preparing wind energy proposals; • Landscape capacity assessment; • Guidance on landscape and visual impact assessment. 		
Chain of Conformity		
Consistent with national planning policy and in general conformity with the Cumbria Joint Structure Plan and the South Lakeland Local Plan and Alteration.		
Related Documents		
The section on Chain of Conformity sets out a full list of inter-related documents of which the main one is the South Lakeland Community Strategy ²¹		
Programme		
Key Stages	Timescale	
• Commencement of preparation*	November 2005	Achieved
• Draft SPD and SA Report issued for public consultation*	September 2006	Started 31 October 2006
• Adoption*	June 2007	
* Indicates a milestone		
Arrangements for Production		
Organisational Lead	Cumbria County Council	
Political Management	Each Council will consider drafts and the responses to consultation through normal decision making arrangements for key milestones as agreed for each of the Local Development Frameworks.	
Resources	Cumbria County Council will have responsibility for co-ordinating the preparation of the SPD. The Development Plans Policy Team will have overall responsibility for taking the SPD through formal stages at South Lakeland.	
Community and Stakeholder Involvement	Consultation on the SPD will be co-ordinated by Cumbria County Council in accordance with each participating Local Planning Authority's Statement of Community Involvement.	
Post-Production Monitoring and Review		
The Annual Monitoring Report will examine whether key targets and indicators are being met.		

²¹South Lakeland Community Strategy covers the period up to 2004 - 2024.

Appendix 1 - Landscape SPD

8.

Title	JOINT LANDSCAPE SPD	
Status	Joint NON-DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT	
Geographic Area	Cumbria County excluding part in Yorkshire Dale National Park	
Brief Description		
This will provide detail advise on how to apply the Cumbria Landscape Characterisation Assessment and in particular how land management and/or development can contribute towards the restoration, conservation or enhancement of landscape character.		
Chain of Conformity		
Consistent with national planning policy and in general conformity with the Cumbria Joint Structure Plan and the South Lakeland Local Plan and Alteration.		
Related Documents		
The section on Chain of Conformity sets out a full list of inter-related documents of which the main one is the South Lakeland Community Strategy ²²		
Programme		
Key Stages	Timescale	
• Commencement of preparation*	June 2007	
• Draft SPD and SA Report issued for public consultation*	March 2008	
• Adoption*	December 2008	
* Indicates a milestone		
Arrangements for Production		
Organisational Lead	Cumbria County Council	
Political Management	Each Council will consider drafts and the responses to consultation through normal decision making arrangements for key milestones as agreed for each of the Local Development Frameworks.	
Resources	Cumbria County Council will have responsibility for co-ordinating the preparation of the SPD. The Development Plans Policy Team will have overall responsibility for taking the SPD through formal stages at South Lakeland.	
Community and Stakeholder Involvement	Consultation on the SPD will be co-ordinated by Cumbria County Council in accordance with each participating Local Planning Authority's Statement of Community Involvement.	
Post-Production Monitoring and Review		
The Annual Monitoring Report will examine whether key targets and indicators are being met.		

²² South Lakeland Community Strategy covers the period up to 2004 - 2024.

Appendix 1 - Highway Design Guide SPD

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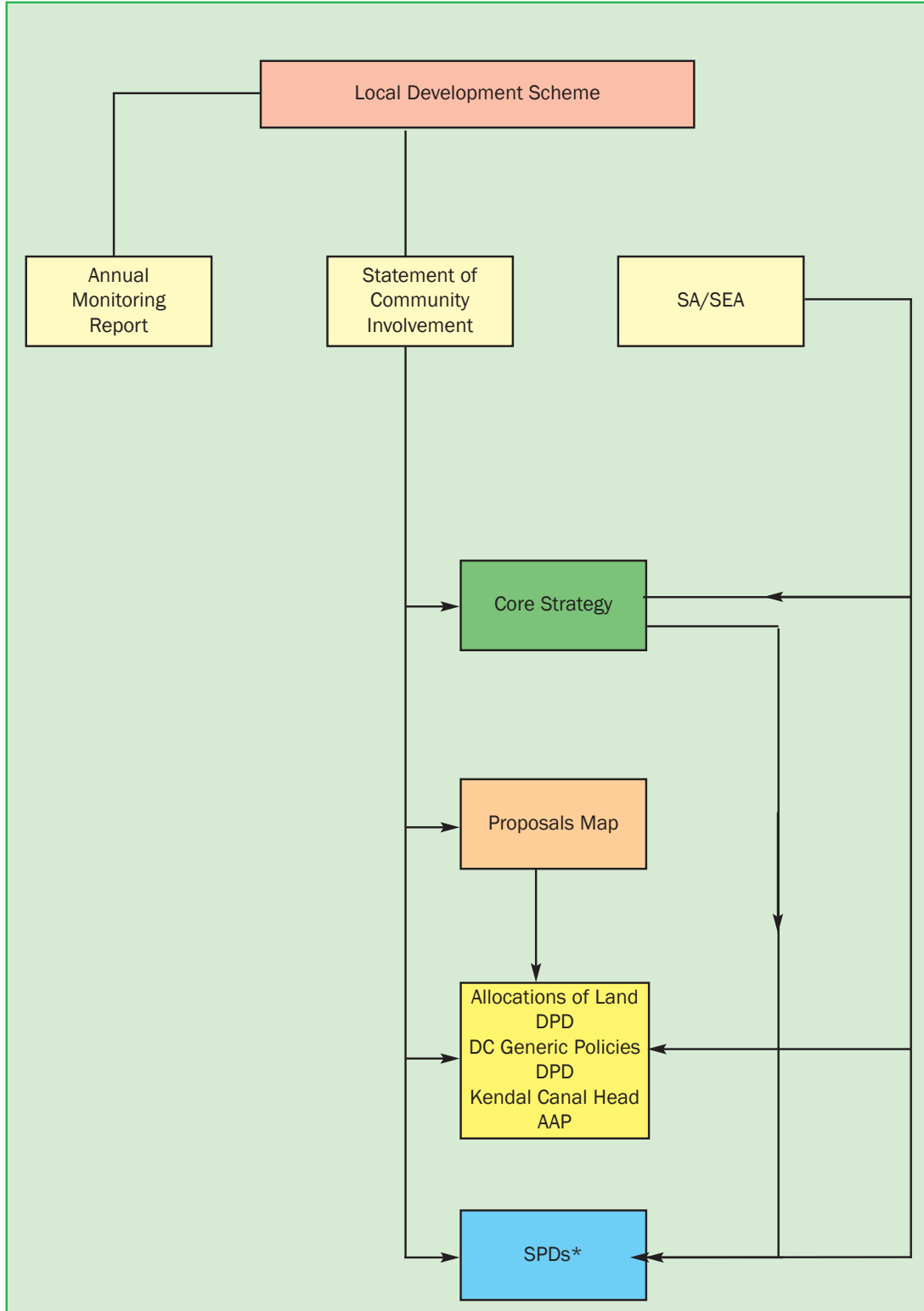
Title	JOINT HIGHWAY DESIGN GUIDE SPD	
Status	Joint NON-DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT	
Geographic Area	Cumbria County excluding part in Yorkshire Dale National Park	
Brief Description		
This will provide guidance on the lay-out of highway and transport infrastructure which are to be provided as part of new housing, commercial and industrial developments.		
Chain of Conformity		
Consistent with national planning policy and in general conformity with the Cumbria Joint Structure Plan and the South Lakeland Local Plan and Alteration.		
Related Documents		
The section on Chain of Conformity sets out a full list of inter-related documents of which the main one is the South Lakeland Community Strategy ²³		
Programme		
Key Stages	Timescale	
• Commencement of preparation*	April 2007	
• Draft SPD and SA Report issued for public consultation*	March 2008	
• Adoption*	December 2008	
* Indicates a milestone		
Arrangements for Production		
Organisational Lead	Cumbria County Council	
Political Management	Each Council will consider drafts and the responses to consultation through normal decision making arrangements for key milestones as agreed for each of the Local Development Frameworks.	
Resources	Cumbria County Council will have responsibility for co-ordinating the preparation of the SPD. The Development Plans Policy Team will have overall responsibility for taking the SPD through formal stages at South Lakeland.	
Community and Stakeholder Involvement	Consultation on the SPD will be co-ordinated by Cumbria County Council in accordance with each participating Local Planning Authority's Statement of Community Involvement.	
Post-Production Monitoring and Review		
The Annual Monitoring Report will examine whether key targets and indicators are being met.		

²³ South Lakeland Community Strategy covers the period up to 2004 - 2024.

Appendix 2 - Relationship of Documents

APPENDIX 2

Relationship of Documents



*Wind Energy, Landscape, Design, Section 106 Obligations, Affordable Housing, Open Space, Highway Design Guide

Appendix 3 (cont.)

JOINT WIND ENERGY SPD

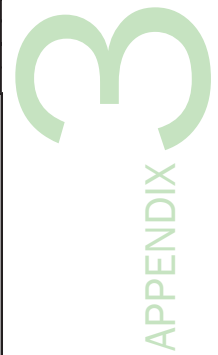
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Appendix 4 - Existing Development Plan

APPENDIX 4 - EXISTING DEVELOPMENT PLAN**Cumbria Joint Structure Plan****Status - Adopted, April 2006****To be replaced by the new North West Regional Spatial Strategy**

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South Lakeland Local Plan - Adopted, September 1997**South Lakeland Local Plan Alteration – Adopted March 2006**

Expiry date: The Local Plan covers the period up to 2006. This represents the end date for housing and industrial allocations contained in the Plan. The Plan's other policies have a general validity, which extend beyond 2006.

Geographic area: South Lakeland District outside the two national park areas.

* Indicates that a policy has been replaced by the South Lakeland Local Plan Alteration.

** Indicates that an extra policy has been added by the South Lakeland Local Plan Alteration.

Policy Number	Subject Covered	Future coverage
Chapter 1- Housing		
H1	Provision of housing land	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
H2*	Sites allocated for residential development	To be replaced by the Allocations of Land DPD when adopted
H3*	Priorities for site location	To be replaced by the Allocations of Land DPD when adopted
H4	Small-scale residential development in Kendal and Ulverston	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
H5	Settlements suitable for growth	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
H6	Developments outside settlements suitable for growth	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
H7	Housing for Local Needs	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
H8*	Affordable housing	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
H8a**	Construction and adaptation of dwellings for people with special needs	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
H9	Agricultural and forestry dwellings in the Countryside	To be replaced by Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
H10	Removal of occupancy conditions	To be replaced by Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
H11	Conversion of buildings within development boundaries	To be replaced by Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
H12*	Conversion of buildings outside development boundaries	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted

Appendix 4 - Existing Development Plan (cont.)

Policy Number	Subject Covered	Future coverage
H13*	Conversion of rural facilities	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
H14	Dwellings constructed from temporary materials	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
Chapter 2 - Employment		
E1	Land allocated for business parks	To be replaced by the Allocations of Land DPD when adopted
E2	Land allocated for strategic employment uses	To be replaced by the Allocations of Land DPD when adopted
E3	Land allocated for local employment uses	To be replaced by the Allocations of Land DPD when adopted
E4	New development and extension to premises	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
E5	Redevelopment	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies when adopted
E6	Loss of employment sites and premises	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
E7	New employment development in rural areas	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
E8	Conversion and reuse of buildings	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
E9	Home working	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
E10	Farm diversification	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
Chapter 3 - Retail		
R1	Retail development, Kendal town centre	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
R1a**	Retail allocation, Kendal town centre	To be replaced by the Allocations of Land DPD when adopted
R2*	Retail development outside Kendal town centre	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
R3	New retail development, Ulverston town centre	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
R4	Conversion or extension of existing retail facilities, Ulverston town centre	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted

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Policy Number	Subject Covered	Future coverage
R5*	Retail development outside Ulverston town centre	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
R6	Retail development in minor shopping centres	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
R7	Retail development outside	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
R8	Protection of retail frontages in the primary shopping areas of Kendal and Ulverston town centres	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
R9	Non-retail uses in minor shopping areas	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
R10	Hot food takeaways in primary shopping areas	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
R11	Hot food takeaways in secondary shopping areas	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
R12	Hot food takeaways in residential areas	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
R13	Amusement centres	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
Chapter 4 - Tourism		
T1	Hotel development within development boundaries	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
T2	Conversion of buildings to hotels and serviced accommodation	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
T2a	Retention of holiday accommodation in Grange-over-Sands	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
T3	Self-catering accommodation within development boundaries	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
T4	Self-catering accommodation outside development boundaries	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies when adopted
T5	Caravan site development within the Arnside Silverdale AONB	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
T6	Caravan site development outside Arnside Silverdale AONB	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
T7	Extensions to caravan park developments' open season	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
T8	Tented camping sites	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
T9	Camping barns	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted

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Policy Number	Subject Covered	Future coverage
T10	Visitor facilities and attractions	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
Chapter 5 - Environment and Conservation		
C1	Arnside Silverdale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C2	Green gaps	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C3	Agricultural land	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C4	Farm holdings	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C5	External lighting	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C6	Sites of international nature importance	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C7	National sites	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C8	Sites of regional or local nature conservation importance	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C9	Landscape features of major conservation importance	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C10	Protected species	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C11	Tree preservation orders	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C12	Coastal development	To be deleted
C13	Buildings of historic interest	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C14	'Heritage' properties visited by the public	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted



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Policy Number	Subject Covered	Future coverage
C15	Listed buildings and their settings	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C16	Control of development affecting	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C17	Article 4 directions	To be deleted
C18	Satellite dishes	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C19	Sites of archaeological interest	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C20	Historic landscapes	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C21	Derelict land	To be deleted
C22	Flood risk	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C23	Tidal and river defences	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C24	Watercourses and coastal margins	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C25	Renewable energy	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C26	Wind energy	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C27	There is no policy C27. This has been a typing error in the plan.	
C28	Hydroelectricity	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C29	Slurries	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C30	Solar power	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
C31	Cumulative impact of renewable technologies	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted

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Policy Number	Subject Covered	Future coverage
Chapter 6 - Leisure and Recreation		
L1	Playing fields and recreational facilities	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L2	Allotments	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L3	Provision of new facilities	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L4	New leisure schemes	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L5	Village halls	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L6	Golf courses and driving ranges within the AONB	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L7	Golf courses and driving ranges elsewhere	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L8	Provision of club houses and car parking	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L9	Equestrian developments	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L10	Rights of way	To be deleted
L11	Disused railway lines	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
L12	Lancaster canal	To be replaced by the Core Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
Chapter 7 - Transport		
Tr1*	Development likely to impact on trunk roads	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
Tr2*	Safeguarding land for transport infrastructure improvements	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
Tr3*	Traffic management	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
Tr4*	Traffic calming	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
Tr5*	Town centre car parking	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
Tr6	Car park, Kirkby Lonsdale	Proposal implemented
Tr6a**	Disabled access and parking arrangements	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
Tr7	Opportunities for pedestrians	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted

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Policy Number	Subject Covered	Future coverage
Tr8*	Opportunities for cyclists	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
Tr9**	Better ways to school	To be replaced by the Cpre Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
Tr10**	Travel plans	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
Chapter 8 - Standards for new development		
S1	Planning obligations and planning briefs	To be replaced by the Core Strategy when adopted
S2	South Lakeland design code	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S3	Landscaping	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S4*	Important open space for amenity	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S5	Open space	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S6	Children's play space	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S7	Road provision and design	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S8	Footpath provision and design	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S9	Cycle ways	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S10	Parking provision in new development	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S11	Provision for disabled people	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S12	Crime and design	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S13	Security measures in town centres	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S14	Shop fronts	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S15	External blinds	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted

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Policy Number	Subject Covered	Future coverage
S16	External cash point machines	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S17	Energy conservation	To be replaced by the Cpre Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S18	Trees close to buildings	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S19	Percent for art	To be replaced by the Cpre Strategy and the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S20	Control over advertisements	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S21	Areas of special control of advertisements	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S22	Advance directional signs	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S23	Agricultural buildings	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S24	Temporary buildings	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S25	Kirkbie Kendal Lower School	Policy is redundant as proposal has been implemented
S26	Sewage treatment and disposal	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S27	Overhead lines	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S28	Telecommunication masts and equipment	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted
S29	Waste recycling facilities	To be replaced by the Generic Development Control Policies DPD when adopted

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Component	Abbreviation	Explanation
Action Area Plan	AAP	Used to provide a planning framework for areas of change and areas of conservation. They have DPD status.
Annual Monitoring Reports	AMR	An annual report submitted to GONW by the Council assessing the effectiveness of policies in the Development Plan and progress against the timetable set out in the LDS.
Appropriate Assessment	AA	All policies and proposals in LDDs will be subject to Sustainability Appraisal that includes the requirements for a Strategic Environmental Assessment to ensure they reflect sustainable development principles. The appraisal covers the impact of policies and proposals on environmental, social and economic issues.
Community Strategy		A Strategy prepared by the Council in partnership with the Local Strategic Partnership to improve local quality of life in the District.
Core Strategy		A DPD setting out the spatial vision, strategic objectives, spatial strategy and core policies for the spatial development of the district.
The Development Plan		A document setting out the Council's policies and proposals for the use and development of land and buildings in the District. Currently it consists of the Joint Cumbria Structure Plan and the South Lakeland Local Plan and Alteration. The Cumbria Joint Structure Plan will be replaced by the new North West Regional Spatial Strategy and the South Lakeland Local Plan will be replaced by DPDs contained within the LDF.
Development Plan Document	DPD	An LDD that has been subject to an independent examination run by a Planning Inspector. Once adopted, following an inquiry, these documents will have statutory status as defined by section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. DPDs form part of the statutory development plan.
Local Development Document	LDD	A document that forms part of the LDF. LDDs include a Development Plan Document, a Supplementary Planning Document and the Statement of Community Involvement. These are explained below.
Local Development Framework	LDF	The name given to a portfolio of Local Development Documents, which will provide the framework for delivering the spatial planning strategy for the area.
Local Development Scheme	LDS	A 3-year programme that sets out the details, the timescales and the arrangements for production for each document that will form part of the LDF.
Office of Deputy Prime Minister	DCLG	Government Department responsible for planning.
Planning Inspectorate	PINS	Independent Planning Inspectors who are appointed by the Secretary of State to carry out an independent examination into the "soundness" of DPDs and the SCI.

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Planning Policy Statement	PPS	Series of policy documents published by Government setting out national policy on different planning matters such as housing, town centres, nature conservation. These will replace PPGs.
Planning Policy Guidance	PPG	Series of policy documents published by Governments setting out national policy on different planning matters such as housing, town centre, Renewable Energy.
Regional Spatial Strategy	RSS	A document that sets out the planning policies in respect of the development and use of land in the region which is prepared by the regional planning body. It forms part of the statutory development plan for the district. The LDF must be in conformity with the RSS.
Statement of Community Involvement	SCI	A document that forms part of the LDF and which sets out how the Council will involve the community and other stakeholders in the preparation, alteration and review of all DPDs and SPDs and on planning applications. The SCI will be subject to independent examination and all DPDs and SPDs will have to show how they have conformed with it.
Structure Plan	SP	A document, which is prepared by the County Council and forms part of the development plan. It covers strategic planning policy matters. In South Lakeland the relevant structure plan is the Cumbria Joint Structure Plan, which was adopted in April 2006 and will be replaced by the new North West Regional Spatial Strategy.
Supplementary Planning Documents	SPD	An LDD, which is subject to public consultation but is not subject to an independent public inquiry. These will form a material consideration in determining planning applications but do not have the weight of development plan status. Their purpose is to elaborate on policies in DPDs
Supplementary Planning Guidance	SPG	Policy documents elaborating on policies and proposals in a UDP. These will be replaced by SPDs under the new legislation.
Sustainability Appraisal & Strategic Environmental Assessment	SA & SEA	All policies and proposals in LDDs will be subject to Sustainability Appraisal that includes the requirements for a Strategic Environmental Assessment to ensure they reflect sustainable development principles. The appraisal covers the impact of policies and proposals on environmental, social and economic issues.

