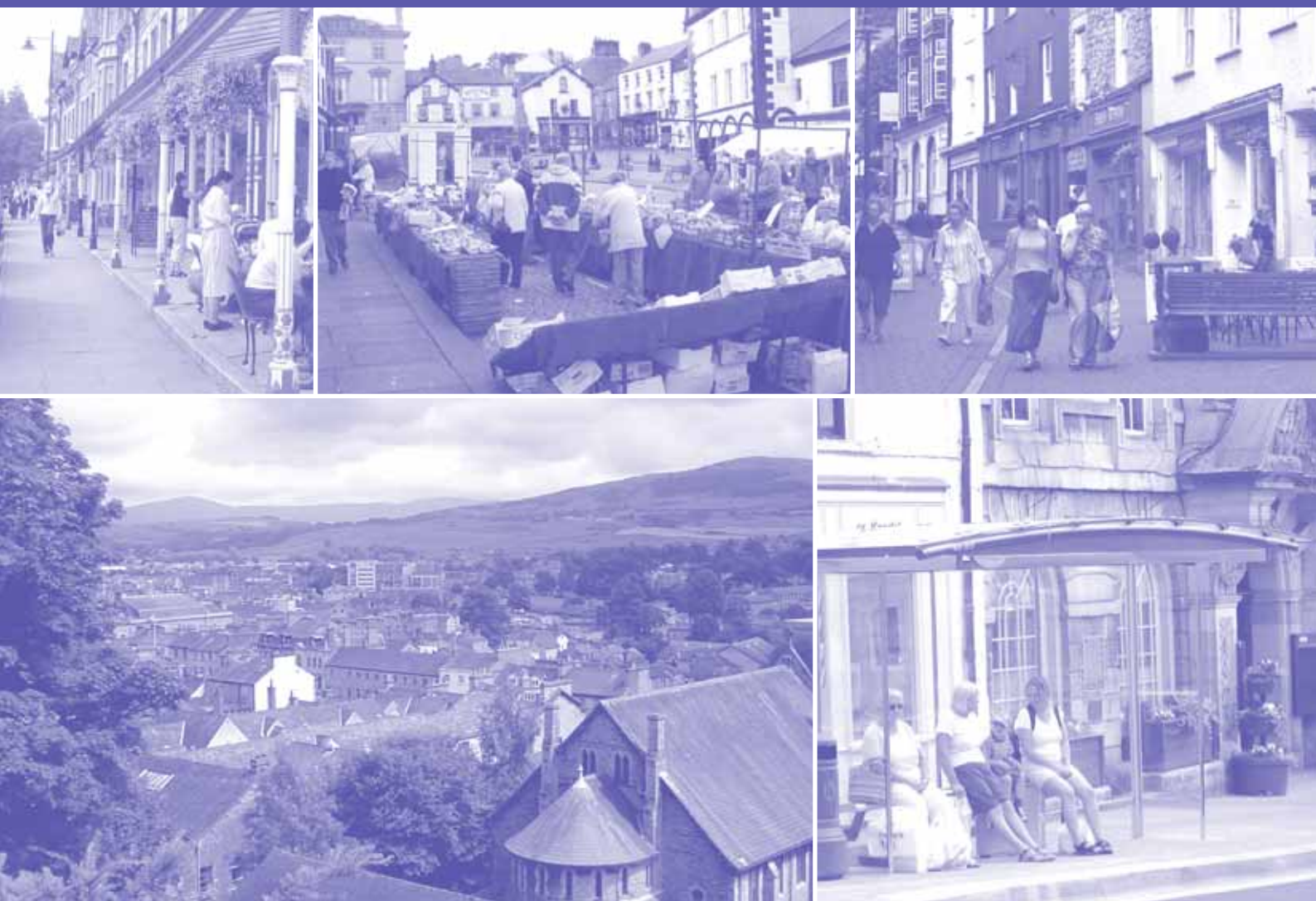




South Lakeland Local Development Framework

Submission **Core Strategy** SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL ADDENDUM



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1. Introduction

- 1.1 South Lakeland District Council is preparing a Local Development Framework (LDF) that will replace the South Lakeland Local Plan and will apply to the area of South Lakeland outside both the Lake District and Yorkshire Dales National Parks. The LDF will contain a range of documents known as Development Plan Documents (DPDs) and Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) detailing different aspects of spatial planning for the district. These DPDs and SPDs need to be subject to Sustainability Appraisal (SA) under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
- 1.2 The SA report accompanied the Core Strategy preferred options consultation report in April 2008 and evaluated the respective merits of the alternative options being proposed for the Core Strategy. This addendum report has been produced to supplement the main April 2008 SA report. It evaluates the changes that have been made to the Core Strategy since the preferred options stage. Whilst the strategic objectives and policies in the Core Strategy have been derived from the findings of the preferred options document and SA report, the final Core Strategy does include reworded strategic objectives and detailed policies which warrant being testing against the SA framework in their own right.
- 1.3 As such, further SA work has been undertaken to assess the final objectives and policies, with the results documented in this addendum report. This SA addendum is being published at the same time as the Core Strategy to provide both the public and statutory consultees with an opportunity to express opinions on the SA Addendum Report and to use it as a reference point whilst commenting on the Draft Core Strategy. It should be read alongside the full SA report, which was published in April 2008.

2. Methodology

- 2.1 The Sustainability Appraisal Framework utilised for the SA has been developed in conjunction with Cumbria County Council, other Local Authorities in Cumbria and with agreement from the 4 statutory consultation bodies. This framework, together with further details of how it was developed and the methodology for the appraisal are set out in the South Lakeland Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report April 2006. The Framework also utilises a panel of professionals in each of the main sustainability topics - social, environmental, economic and natural resources, drawing on the Panel members at each stage of the appraisal process.
- 2.2 Officers of SLDC through a number of workshop sessions undertook the SA of the objectives and policies in the Core Strategy in May 2009. The most up to date working draft of the Core Strategy available at that time was used. The outcomes of the workshops (including the detailed SA scoring sheets and general commentary) were circulated to the members of the SA panel (including the statutory bodies) for feedback. Feedback received has been incorporated within this report.
- 2.3 Every effort has been made to reflect the findings of the SA work undertaken in May and feedback from the SA panel in the final version of the Core Strategy document to be published and submitted to Government.

3. Appraisal of Strategic Objectives

- 3.1 Following on from the Core Strategy preferred options consultation in April 2008, the strategic objectives in the Core Strategy have been amended. These amendments were necessary in order to respond the comments received from key organisations such as the Government Office North West.

Key criticisms included:

- The lack of local specificity.
- The need to clearly demonstrate the connections between the key issues identified for the area and the spatial objectives.
- The need for the objectives to clearly demonstrate the ways to deal with the key issues, with greater clarity and focus on outcomes.
- The need to explicitly link the objectives in the Core Strategy to objectives of other strategies such as the Community Strategy and the Local Transport Plan.

3.2 The Core Strategy strategic objectives that were appraised are as follows:

THE ECONOMY

To deliver a step-change in the local economy and contribute towards the enhancement of the wider Cumbrian economy by:

- Making provision for a range of types and sizes of employment land to meet local need and promote new business creation across the plan area;
- Working with stakeholders and partners to create a cluster of knowledge-based industries to strengthen the local economy and meet sub-regional economic needs in Kendal;
- Ensuring that economic development in areas close to the National Parks benefits not only local residents but also communities within the parks;
- Enabling opportunities for economic development and regeneration to be brought forward in the Furness Peninsula and develop the area's potential for tourism;
- Supporting diversification of the agricultural and wider rural economy, including allowing small-scale economic development in rural settlements outside service centres;
- Promoting the vitality and viability of town and local centres, through addressing obstacles to growth (such as town centre congestion in Kendal) and working with partners to reduce vacancy levels;
- Supporting the development of further and higher education in the district, in particular the University of Cumbria and Kendal College and the provision of training and life-long learning;
- Developing stronger relationships between local businesses and local education establishments
- Using developer contributions for recruitment and training to ensure the benefits of economic development are targeted at local residents and for sustainable employee travel to and from work
- Supporting the development of the low carbon economy

HOUSING

To achieve a balanced housing market by:

- Securing the provision of a range of housing types and sizes to meet the needs of all sectors of the community;
- Ensuring that the scale and type of housing in the Furness peninsula helps support regeneration in Barrow in Furness;
- Ensuring housing developments are required to make provision for an element of affordable housing, based on the different levels of need in the different housing market areas (the most acute need is found in the rural areas to the east);
- Continuing to work with partners to maximise the provision of publicly-funded affordable housing;
- Requiring some new housing developments to make provision for local occupancy housing.
- Continue to develop initiatives to reduce homelessness
- Optimise the use and sustainability of the council housing stock and estate in partnership with South Lakes Housing

PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT

To protect the unique character of the District by:

- Helping to mitigate against and adapt to the cause and impacts of climate change;
- Promoting prudent use of resources, minimising the generation of waste, promoting recycling and mitigating against the effects of air, water and soil pollution, noise, smells and fumes, and making adequate provision for contamination mitigation;
- Ensuring all development is sympathetic to its environmental setting;
- Minimising the risk of flooding;
- Protecting green gaps between individual settlements, in order to ensure they are kept distinct and to maintain their individual character;
- Limiting development in rural settlements outside service centres and protecting the countryside from inappropriate development;
- Providing a coordinated network of green infrastructure
- Ensuring that new development safeguards and enhances the natural environment, notably the international designations within the area such as Morecambe Bay
- Protecting against ecological harm, protecting and enhancing biodiversity in all locations

ACCESSING SERVICES

To improve accessibility to services by:

- Concentrating development in the Principal Service Centres of Kendal and Ulverston, then to the other Key Service Centres of Grange over Sands, Kirkby Lonsdale and Milnthorpe, followed by a number of designated Local Service Centres throughout the rural hinterland;
- Working with partners to improve sustainable rural transport and maintain rural services, including between local service centres and their rural hinterland and also links to nearby centres outside of the District such as Barrow and Carnforth
- Focusing the majority of new development in locations that are accessible by a variety of modes of transport, particularly public transport, walking and cycling;
- Improving access across the district by supporting the development and enhancement of an integrated transport network, including footpaths and cycleways;
- Supporting improvements to rural accessibility and lobby to improve broadband access in rural areas;
- Supporting essential road infrastructure improvements to accommodate development, most notably the A590 between the Principal Service Centres of Kendal and Ulverston;
- Considering the development of park-and-ride sites and provision of coach parking in Kendal.
- Working with local communities to improve local services – supporting emerging Local Area Partnerships in order to deliver more tailored services at the neighbourhood level.
- Delivering in partnership with other organisations an Access to Services Programme

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

To improve health and well-being for all by:

- Ensuring that all development is sustainable and makes prudent use of resources, so as not to compromise the well-being of future generations;
- Providing incentives for young people who have left the area to return - namely skilled jobs, training opportunities and a good spread of housing that meets their needs;
- Protecting and enhancing existing social and community infrastructure, and providing additional assets - such as education, health, cultural and leisure facilities - that improve community well-being in line with an understanding of predicted future needs and current gaps in infrastructure.
- Working with partners to deliver sport & recreation schemes, developing community facilities such as multi use games areas for young people and creating opportunities for healthier lifestyles
- Supporting the Kendal Sports Village Project and local sport facilities development as legacy of the 2012 Olympics.
- Working with partners to develop and deliver health and well-being initiatives, including working with the PCT to identify new sites for integrated health facilities
- Working with partners to reduce perception of anti-social behaviour, supporting projects including Together We Can / Street Safe
- Support independent living for older and disabled people, including grants and assistance to adapt people's homes
- Providing a comprehensive network of high quality open spaces such as parks and gardens, natural green spaces and allotments

3.3 These strategic objectives were appraised using the full sustainability appraisal framework. The table overleaf summarises the results:

SA Objectives – CS Strategic Objectives - Overall scores

Sustainability Appraisal Objectives		CSSO1 To deliver a step change in the local economy and contribute towards the enhancement of the wider Cumbrian economy	CSSO2 To achieve a balanced housing market	CSSO3 To protect the unique character of the District	CSSO4 To improve accessibility to services	CSSO5 To improve health and wellbeing for all
SP1	Increase Participation in Democratic Process	+2	+2	+2	+4	+2
SP2	Improve Access to Services & Facilities, the Countryside and Open Spaces	+2	0	+2	+4	+4
SP3	Decent Affordable Housing	+2	+4	0	+2	+2
SP4	Improve Skills, Education, Training	+4	0	0	+2	+2
SP5	Improve Health & Wellbeing	+2	+2	+2	+2	+4
SP6	Create Vibrant, Active and Inclusive Communities	+2	+4	+2	+4	+4
EN1	Protect and Enhance Biodiversity and Geodiversity	0	0	+2	0	+2

EN2	Conserve and Enhance Landscape Quality and Character	0	0	+2	0	0
EN3	Improve the Quality of the Built Environment	0	+2	+2	+2	+2
NR1	Improve Local Air Quality, Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Promote Renewable Energy and Reduce the Need to Travel	+2	0	+2	+2	+2
NR2	Improve Water Quality and Water Resources	0	0	+2	0	+2
NR3	Restore and protect Land & Soil	0	0	+2	0	+2
NR4	Manage Mineral Resources Sustainably, Minimise Waste and Encourage Recycling	0	0	+4	0	+2
EC1	Retain Existing Jobs and Create New Employment Opportunities	+4	+2	+2	+2	+2
EC2	Improve Training & Access to Jobs	+4	+2	0	+2	+2
EC3	Strengthen Local Economy	+4	+2	+2	+2	+2
		<u>28</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>36</u>

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Orange = Neutral score, consider ways to make positive

Dark green = High positive score

- 3.4 In summary, the appraisal demonstrated that all the Strategic Objectives scored positively against the sustainability objectives, though it has highlighted a number of areas that could be strengthened (where neutral scores were achieved).
- 3.5 It should of course be remembered that some Core Strategy objectives will tend to conflict with some sustainability objectives, for example an objectives directly related to economic development is likely to score less well against environmental objectives, and a policy on protecting the environment may be considered to hamper economic development if taken in isolation. It is therefore important that all policies are considered in the whole against all sustainability objectives.
- 3.6 Recommendations

CSSO1

- Scores least well on environment in particular. Consider adding explicit recognition of the contribution made by green infrastructure and the wider environment to the South Lakeland and Cumbrian economy. For example, acknowledge that assets such as biodiversity, geodiversity, the landscape, the built environment, water environments etc should be protected and enhanced not only for their intrinsic value but due to their existing contribution to our economy and potential to strengthen it further. (EN1, EN2, EN3, NR2)

CSSO2

- Some elements of poor scoring in all sectors other than economy. Consider adding a locational element so that it is clear that housing will be located where services, facilities etc are most prevalent and accessible (SP2). Consider adding recognition of 'decent' homes and sustainable homes/sustainable construction, homes being more efficient and cheaper to run (NR1, possibly NR2, NR4). Consider making reference to the fact that brownfield land and existing buildings will be utilised where possible.

CSSO3

- Generally scores well. Consider adding reference to securing sympathetic, high quality design, such as sustainable construction, local materials and local distinct styles.

CSSO4

- Scores least well on environment and natural resources sectors. Consider whether access to recycling and waste facilities/infrastructure (NR4) and access to adequate, sustainable water supply infrastructure (NR2) could be covered. Could be covered by making it more explicit that infrastructure could include this sort of utility as well as just transport infrastructure.

CSSO5

- Scores well overall. Consider adding acknowledgement that SL's landscape and wider environment contributes to health and wellbeing as an important factor in quality of life.

3.7 Feedback from the SA panel on the Strategic Objectives

- The strategic objective “protecting the environment” refers to reviewing green gaps. It would be appropriate to include alongside this the programme for Conservation Area Appraisals (CAA) and Management Plans (CAMP) (as referred to in policy CS2 for Kendal) together with potentially designating new conservation areas.
- Recommendation for CSSO3 (protecting the environment) supported and could also include traditional building skills, designs guides.

4. Appraisal of Final Core Strategy Policies

4.1 This section sets out the main findings from the detailed appraisal of the policy content of the Core Strategy.

4.2 The findings of the preferred options consultation in April 2008 have been used as the basis for developing a suite of Core Strategy draft policies. In developing the preferred options into local policies it was necessary to ensure that the final strategy responded to feedback from key organisations such as the Government Office North West and that the information was presented in such a way as to improve the clarity of the final document.

4.3 It was necessary to address the following key points:

- The need for further policy content in a number of areas in order to ensure that the overall Core Strategy vision and objectives are deliverable (for example, detailed policies on meeting the housing requirement, landscape, flood risk etc).
- The need to clearly demonstrate the links between the key issues, vision and objectives and how these are to be addressed through suitable policies.
- The need for greater emphasis on the area strategies, thus ensuring that the strategy is locally distinctive and fully considers the relevant cross boundary issues relevant to each sub area.

4.4 The Core Strategy includes the following policies:

Section	Policy	Sub Section
Introduction	N/A	Spatial Portrait
		Our Key Issues
		2025 Vision
		Objectives
Spatial Strategy	CS1.1	Sustainable Development Principles
	CS1.2	The Development Strategy
Kendal Area Strategy	CS2	Spatial Portrait
		Our Key Issues
		2025 Vision
		Objectives
Ulverston Area Strategy	CS3.1	Spatial Portrait
		Our Key Issues
		2025 Vision
		Objectives
	CS3.2	Ulverston Canal Head and Corridor
Cartmel Peninsula Strategy	CS4.1	Spatial Portrait
		Our Key Issues
		2025 Vision
		Objectives
	CS4.2	Berners Regeneration Site

Section	Policy	Sub Section
The East (including Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale)	CS5	Spatial Portrait
		Our Key Issues
		2025 Vision
		Objectives
CORE POLICIES		
Housing	CS6.1	Meeting the housing requirement
	CS6.2	Dwelling Mix and Type
	CS6.3	Provision of affordable housing / local occupancy housing
	CS6.4	Community Led Affordable Housing Policy in Smaller Rural Communities
	CS6.5	Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople
	CS6.6	Making effective and efficient use of land and buildings
Jobs Skills and Regeneration	CS7.1	Meeting the employment requirement
	CS7.2	Type of employment land required and Sectoral split
	CS7.3	Education and skills
	CS7.4	Rural Economy
	CS7.5	Town Centre and Retail Strategy
	CS7.6	Tourism Development
	CS7.7	Opportunities of Energy and the Low Carbon Economy
Quality Environment	CS8.1	Green Infrastructure
	CS8.2	Protection and enhancement of landscape and settlement character
	CS8.3a/ b	Accessing open space, sport and recreation / Quantity of open space, sport and recreation
	CS8.4	Biodiversity
	CS8.5	Coast
	CS8.6	Historic Environment
	CS8.7	Sustainable construction, energy efficiency and renewable energy
	CS8.8	Flood Risk
	CS8.9	Minerals and Waste
	CS8.10	Design
Health and Wellbeing	CS9.1	Social and Community Infrastructure
	CS9.2	Developer Contributions
Accessing Services	CS10.1	Accessing Services
	CS10.2	Transport Impact of New Development

These policies were appraised using the full sustainability appraisal framework.

4.5 Appraising the Spatial Strategy and Area Strategies

The table overleaf summarises the findings for CS1.1, CS1.2, CS2, CS3, CS4, and CS5 (those relating to the overall spatial strategy and the four area strategies).

SA Objectives – CS Policies - Overall scores

Sustainability Appraisal Objectives		CS1.1 Sustainable Development Principles	CS1.2 The Development Strategy	CS2 Kendal Area	CS3.1 Ulverston and Furness	CS3.2 Ulverston Canal Head and Corridor	CS4 Cartmel Peninsula	CS5 Rural Kendal
SP1	Increase Participation in Democratic Process	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2
SP2	Improve Access to Services & Facilities, the Countryside and Open Spaces	+4	+4	+4	+4	+4	+2	+2
SP3	Decent Affordable Housing	+2	+4	+4	+4	+2	+4	+4
SP4	Improve Skills, Education, Training	+2	+2	+4	+2	0	+2	+2
SP5	Improve Health & Wellbeing	+4	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2
SP6	Create Vibrant, Active and Inclusive Communities	+4	+4	+4	+4	+4	+4	+4
EN1	Protect and Enhance Biodiversity and Geodiversity	+4	0	+2	+2	+2	+2	+4
EN2	Conserve and Enhance Landscape Quality and Character	+4	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2

EN3	Improve the Quality of the Built Environment	+4	+2	+2	+2	+4	+2	+2
NR1	Improve Local Air Quality, Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Promote Renewable Energy and Reduce the Need to Travel	+4	0	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2
NR2	Improve Water Quality and Water Resources	+4	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR3	Restore and protect Land & Soil	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2
NR4	Manage Mineral Resources Sustainably, Minimise Waste and Encourage Recycling	+4	0	0	0	0	0	0
EC1	Retain Existing Jobs and Create New Employment Opportunities	+2	+4	+4	+4	+4	+2	+2
EC2	Improve Training & Access to Jobs	+2	+4	+4	+2	+2	+2	+2
EC3	Strengthen Local Economy	+2	+4	+4	+4	+4	+4	+2
		<u>50</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>34</u>

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4.6 In summary, the appraisal demonstrated that this group of policies scored positively against the sustainability objectives, though it has highlighted a number of areas that could be strengthened.

4.7 Recommendations

CS1.1

- Scores well across the board

CS1.2

- Scores least well for NR and EN objectives. Consider adding more emphasis to the recognition of settlement character and environmental capacity in determining where development will go (EN1). Consider adding more emphasis to recognition of capacity of existing infrastructure provision and possibly list what infrastructure types we mean i.e could water (NR2) and waste (NR4) be included.

CS2

- Scores well overall, least well on NR objectives. Consider adding recognition that elements from Access and Environment sections of the policy also contribute to Health and Wellbeing (SP5). Consider adding reference to non-transport aspects of infrastructure such as water (NR2) and waste (NR4), including with regard to need for new site for HWRC in Kendal. Consider adding specific reference to the Conservation Area.

CS3.1

- Scores well overall, least well on NR objectives. Consider adding recognition that elements from Access and Environment sections of the policy also contribute to Health and Wellbeing (SP5). Consider adding reference to non-transport aspects of infrastructure such as water (NR2) and waste (NR4). Consider adding reference to allotments (SP2, SP5, SP6, EN1, EN3). Consider adding specific reference to the Conservation Area (EN3).

CS3.2

- Scores well overall, least well on NR objectives. Consider adding reference to improving quality of existing habitat for existing wildlife (EN1). Consider adding reference to proximity and potential impacts on Morecambe Bay Ramsar/SAC (EN1). Consider referring to adjacent County Wildlife Site (EN1). Consider adding reference to improving water quality and possibly to abstraction (EN1, NR2). Consider adding reference to use of brownfield land and existing buildings as well as contaminated land remediation (NR3). Consider adding reference to opportunities for training in bullet 2 of the policy (SP4).

CS4

- Scores well overall, least well on NR objectives. Consider adding recognition that elements from Access and Environment sections of the policy also contribute to Health and Wellbeing (SP5). Consider adding reference to non-transport aspects of infrastructure such as water (NR2) and waste (NR4). Consider adding specific reference to the landscape (EN2). Consider adding reference to localised flooding issues (EN3,

NR2). Consider adding reference to Morecambe Bay pavements in list of the area's key designations (EN1).

CS5

- Scores well overall, least well on NR objectives. Consider adding recognition that elements from Access and Environment sections of the policy also contribute to Health and Wellbeing (SP5). Consider adding reference to non-transport aspects of infrastructure such as water (NR2) and waste (NR4). Consider adding specific reference to the landscape (EN2). Consider adding reference to allotments (SP2, SP5, SP6, EN1, EN3). Consider adding specific reference to the Conservation Area (EN3).

4.8 Feedback from the SA panel

- CS1.1 – CS5 - Scores supported together with recommended references to conservation areas.

4.9 Appraising the Core Policies on Housing

The table overleaf summarises the findings for CS6.1 – CS6.6 (those core policies specifically related to housing).

SA Objectives – CS Policies - Overall scores

Sustainability Appraisal Objectives		CS6.1 Meeting the Housing requirement	CS6.2 Dwelling Mix and Type	CS6.3 Provision of Affordable/Local Occupancy Housing	CS6.4 Community Led Affordable Housing Policy in smaller rural communities	CS6.5 Gypsies and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople	CS6.6 Making efficient use of land and buildings
SP1	Increase Participation in Democratic Process	+2	+2	+2	+4	+2	+2
SP2	Improve Access to Services & Facilities, the Countryside and Open Spaces	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2
SP3	Decent Affordable Housing	+4	+4	+4	+4	+4	+4
SP4	Improve Skills, Education, Training	+2	0	0	0	0	0
SP5	Improve Health & Wellbeing	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2
SP6	Create Vibrant, Active and Inclusive Communities	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2
EN1	Protect and Enhance Biodiversity and Geodiversity	0	0	0	0	0	0
EN2	Conserve and Enhance Landscape Quality and Character	+2	0	0	+2	+2	+2

EN3	Improve the Quality of the Built Environment	+2	+2	0	+2	+2	+2
NR1	Improve Local Air Quality, Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Promote Renewable Energy and Reduce the Need to Travel	+2	0	0	0	+2	+2
NR2	Improve Water Quality and Water Resources	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR3	Restore and protect Land & Soil	0	0	0	0	0	+2
NR4	Manage Mineral Resources Sustainably, Minimise Waste and Encourage Recycling	0	0	0	0	0	0
EC1	Retain Existing Jobs and Create New Employment Opportunities	+2	0	+2	+2	+2	+2
EC2	Improve Training & Access to Jobs	+2	0	+2	+2	+2	+2
EC3	Strengthen Local Economy	+2	0	+2	+2	+2	+2
		<u>26</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>26</u>

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4.11 In summary, the appraisal demonstrated that this group of policies scored positively against the sustainability objectives, though it has highlighted a number of areas that could be strengthened.

4.12 Recommendations

CS6.1

- Scores generally well except NR objectives. Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 as well as CS1.2 (EN1, NR1, NR2, NR3, NR4). Consider being more explicit about infrastructure being in place and what kinds of infrastructure we mean (NR2, NR4).

CS6.2

- Scores less well on EN, NR and EC objectives, however, this policy, due to its nature, cannot be expected to cover all objectives. Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 as well as CS1.2 (EN1, NR1, NR2, NR3, NR4).

CS6.3

- Scores less well on EN and NR objectives. Consider adding clear cross-reference to CS1.1 & CS1.2 (EN1, NR1, NR2, NR3, NR4). Consider adding reference to decent homes/sustainable homes and the fact that this will make homes cheaper to run (and warmer) (NR1, NR2, NR3, NR4).

CS6.4

- Scores less well on NR objectives. Consider adding clear cross-reference to CS1.1 & CS1.2 (EN1, NR1, NR2, NR3, NR4). Consider adding reference to decent homes/sustainable homes and the fact that this will make homes cheaper to run (and warmer) (NR1, NR2, NR3, NR4).

CS6.5

- Scores generally well but less well on NR objectives. Consider adding clear cross-reference to CS1.1 & CS1.2 (EN1, NR1, NR2, NR3, NR4). Consider being more explicit about infrastructure including potential impact on water resources and waste e.g. for no. 6 add “without unacceptable impact on water supply capacity and waste management infrastructure”.

CS6.6

- Scores well overall but least well on NR objectives. Consider adding clear cross-reference to CS1.1 & CS1.2 (EN1, NR1, NR2, NR3, NR4). Consider adding recognition of the fact that this policy will contribute to minimising waste of building materials (NR4).

4.13 Feedback from the SA panel

English Heritage:

- CS6.1 – CS6.6 - Suggest recommending design guide / standards for CS6.2 and CS6.3 in relation to neutral scores for EN2 and EN3

4.14 Appraising the Core Policies on Jobs, Skills and Regeneration

The table overleaf summarises the findings for CS7.1 – CS7.7 (those core policies specifically related to jobs, skills and regeneration).

SA Objectives – CS Jobs, Skills, Regeneration Core Policies - Overall scores

Sustainability Appraisal Objectives		CS7.1 Meeting the employment requirement	CS7.2 Type of employment land required and sectoral split	CS7.3 Education and Skills	CS7.4 Rural Economy	CS7.5 Town centre and retail strategy	CS7.6 Tourism Development	CS7.7 Opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy
SP1	Increase Participation in Democratic Process	0	0	+2	+2	+2	0	0
SP2	Improve Access to Services & Facilities, the Countryside and Open Spaces	0	0	+2	+2	+4	+2	0
SP3	Decent Affordable Housing	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	0	+2
SP4	Improve Skills, Education, Training	+2	+2	+4	+2	0	0	+2
SP5	Improve Health & Wellbeing	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2
SP6	Create Vibrant, Active and Inclusive Communities	+2	+2	+2	+2	+4	+2	0
EN1	Protect and Enhance Biodiversity and Geodiversity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EN2	Conserve and Enhance Landscape Quality and Character	-2	-2	0	+2	0	0	-2

EN3	Improve the Quality of the Built Environment	0	0	+2	+2	+2	+2	0
NR1	Improve Local Air Quality, Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Promote Renewable Energy and Reduce the Need to Travel	0	+2	+2	+2	+2	-2	+4
NR2	Improve Water Quality and Water Resources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR3	Restore and protect Land & Soil	0	0	0	+2	+2	0	0
NR4	Manage Mineral Resources Sustainably, Minimise Waste and Encourage Recycling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EC1	Retain Existing Jobs and Create New Employment Opportunities	+4	+4	+4	+4	+2	+4	+2
EC2	Improve Training & Access to Jobs	+4	+4	+4	+4	+2	+2	+2
EC3	Strengthen Local Economy	+4	+4	+4	+4	+2	+4	+2
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Dark green = High positive score

4.15 In summary, the appraisal demonstrated that this group of policies scored positively against the sustainability objectives, though it has highlighted a number of areas that could be strengthened.

4.16 Recommendations

Employment policies cannot be expected to thoroughly cover all objectives and it should be borne in mind that other policies will also apply to employment related development that will cover EN and NR issues for example.

CS7.1

- Scores less well on EN and NR objectives. Consider altering last paragraph to refer to 'required' rather than encouraged. Consider also referring to protecting and where possible enhancing environment but using 'improving' in relation to signage, security and accessibility. (EN1, EN2, EN3). Consider adding specific cross-reference to CS1.1 as well as CS1.2.

CS7.2

- Scores less well on EN and NR objectives. Consider adding specific cross-reference to CS1.1 as well as CS1.2.

CS7.3

- Scores generally well overall but less well on EN and NR objectives. Consider adding specific cross-reference to CS1.1 as well as CS1.2. Consider adding reference to supporting/facilitating and recognising the value of the use of open spaces, the coast, the countryside, wildlife and built heritage as an educational resource (EN1, EN2).

CS7.4

- Scores generally well overall but least well on NR objectives. Consider adding specific cross-reference to CS1.1 as well as CS1.2. Consider being more explicit in reference to recognising the environment as a critical driver in the local economy and the need to protect the environment as a means of supporting the local economy (EN1, EN2, EN3, NR2, NR3). Consider adding reference to value of rurality based industries other than agriculture to the local economy e.g. water, mining, forestry, renewables and countryside and wildlife management (EN1, EN2, NR1, NR2, NR4).

CS7.5

- Scores least well on EN and NR objectives. Consider adding specific cross-reference to CS1.1 as well as CS1.2. Consider expanding on recognition of environment improvements by including reference to public realm, importance of open spaces etc (EN1, EN2).

CS7.6

- Scores least well on EN and NR objectives. Consider adding specific cross-reference to CS1.1 as well as CS1.2. Consider adding supporting/lobbying train and bus service providers to integrate services in order to provide better for the tourist economy, focusing particularly on links that serve or support key tourist movement routes (SP2, NR1). Consider adding support for leisure and tourism travel infrastructure improvements such as cycle paths and footpaths, particularly those that form key links between bus/train stations and the main tourist attractions (SP2, NR1). Consider adding recognition of the value of biodiversity, geodiversity, landscape, culture and heritage to the tourism

economy and reference to the need to protect and enhance these assets in order to support this sector (EN1, EN2, EN3).

CS7.7

- Scores least well on EN and NR objectives. Consider adding specific cross-reference to CS1.1 as well as CS1.2. Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it (SP6, EN1, EN2, NR2, NR3). Consider specific reference to support for community owned renewables projects (SP6). Consider adding reference to building on South Lakeland's renewables (primarily hydro) heritage (SP6, NR1). Consider adding support in principle for green/eco business park (EC1, EC2, EC3, NR1).

4.17 Feedback from the SA panel

- CS7.1 – CS7.7 – recommendations supported also suggest adding adaptive re-use of building and design guide / standard in relation to employment. Policy CS7.7 appears to give blanket support for all forms of renewable energy proposals. The policy needs supplementing with caveats on avoiding and mitigating any associated harmful environment impacts from renewable energy schemes, nuclear proposals and their infrastructure.

4.18 Appraising the Core Policies on the Environment

The table overleaf summarises the findings for CS8.1 – CS8.10 (those core policies specifically related to the environment)

SA Objectives – CS Quality Environment Core Policies - Overall scores

Sustainability Appraisal Objectives		CS8.1 Green Infrastructure	CS8.2 Protection and enhancement of landscape and settlement character	CS8.3a Open Space Standards	CS8.3b Quantity of Open Space, Sport and Recreation Provision	CS8.4 Biodiversity and Geodiversity	CS8.5 Coast	CS8.6 Historic Environment	CS8.7 Sustainable construction, energy efficiency and renewable energy	CS8.8 Development and flood risk	CS8.9 Minerals and waste	CS8.10 Design
SP1	Increase Participation in Democratic Process	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SP2	Improve Access to Services & Facilities, the Countryside and Open Spaces	+4	+2	+4	+4	+2	+2	+2	0	0	0	0
SP3	Decent Affordable Housing	0	0	+2	+2	0	0	+2	+2	+2	0	0

SP4	Improve Skills, Education, Training	+2	0	0	0	+2	+2	+2	0	0	0	+2
SP5	Improve Health & Wellbeing	+4	+2	+4	+4	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	0
SP6	Create Vibrant, Active and Inclusive Communities	+4	+2	+4	+2	+2	+2	+2	0	0	0	+2
EN1	Protect and Enhance Biodiversity and Geodiversity	+4	+2	+2	+2	+4	+2	0	0	+2	0	0
EN2	Conserve and Enhance Landscape Quality and Character	+4	+4	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	0	+2	0	+2
EN3	Improve the Quality of the Built Environment	+4	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+4	0	+2	0	+2

NR1	Improve Local Air Quality, Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Promote Renewable Energy and Reduce the Need to Travel	+2	0	+2	+2	0	0	0	+4	0	+2	0
NR2	Improve Water Quality and Water Resources	+2	+2	0	0	+2	+2	0	+2	+2	+2	0
NR3	Restore and protect Land & Soil	+2	+2	0	0	+2	+2	0	0	+2	+2	0

NR4	Manage Mineral Resources Sustainably, Minimise Waste and Encourage Recycling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+2	0	+4	0
EC1	Retain Existing Jobs and Create New Employment Opportunities	0	0	0	0	0	+2	+2	+2	0	+2	0
EC2	Improve Training & Access to Jobs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EC3	Strengthen Local Economy	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	0	+2	+2
		<u>34</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10</u>

Red = Negative score; consider strengthening objective, to reduce negative effects/increase positive.
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Dark green = High positive score

4.19 In summary, the appraisal demonstrated that this group of policies scored positively against the sustainability objectives, though it has highlighted a number of areas that could be strengthened.

4.20 Recommendations

CS8.1

- Scores well overall but least well on EC objectives. Consider adding specific recognition of the value of green infrastructure in supporting the local economy and its potential to help enhance it (EC1, EC3).

CS8.2

- Scores less well on SP, NR and EC objectives. Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 (SP3). Consider adding reference to value of landscape and character of area as an educational resource (SP4). Consider adding reference to value of landscape and character of area in supporting local economy (EC1, EC3).

CS8.3a and CS8.3b

- Score less well on NR and EC objectives. Consider adding reference to supporting the better utilisation of school open space sites and sports facilities for the wider public and vice versa (SP4, SP6). Consider adding reference to the wider benefits of open space as an element of green infrastructure or cross-reference to CS8.1 (NR1, NR2, NR3). Consider adding reference to the value of open spaces and sports facilities as an educational resource (SP4). Consider adding reference to value of open spaces and sports facilities to the tourism economy (EC1, EC3).

CS8.4

- Scores less well on NR and EC objectives. Consider cross-reference to CS1.1. Consider explicit reference to the value of biodiversity and geodiversity to South Lakeland's economy (EC1, EC3).

CS8.5

- Scores less well on SP and NR objectives. Consider adding reference to potential further use of Morecambe Bay for marine dredged aggregate (NR4) (or add to CS8.9). Consider adding reference to value of coast to economy (EC1, EC3).

CS8.6

- Scores least well on NR objectives. Consider adding that formulation of conservation area management plans will be done in consultation with the public (SP1).

CS8.7

- Scores less well on SP and EN objectives. Consider adding cross-reference to CS7.7. Consider adding reference to enabling people to live sustainable lifestyles (SP4). Consider value for improvement of built environment (EN3 – SA questions include sustainable construction etc). Consider adding 'and water' after 'energy' in first line (NR2).

CS8.8

- Scored less well on SP, NR and EC objectives. A policy specifically on flood risk cannot be expected to cover full range of SA objectives.

CS8.9

- Scores less well in SP and EN objectives. Consider fuller cross-reference to MWDF i.e. Core Strategy and Generic Development Control policies (now adopted) as well as Allocations document (not yet adopted). MWDF includes Kendal as a location for a strategic municipal waste management facility. Consider adding reference to need in Kendal to relocate HWRC from Canal Head. Consider adding support in principle for new recycling and other waste management facilities.

CS8.10

- Scores least well in SP and NR objectives. Consider adding cross reference to CS1.1. Consider referring to improving physical access into buildings through design i.e. for facilities and services (SP2). Consider adding reference to sustainable construction and design reducing environmental impact (SP3, EN3, NR1, NR2, NR4). Consider reference to locally sourced materials, public realm, sense of place and the innovative/adaptive re-use of buildings (SP6, EN3, NR3).

4.21 Feedback from the SA panel

- CS8.1 – CS8.9 – recommendations supported. CS8.1 should note that green infrastructure is not solely composed of natural environment components but also includes designated landscapes and spaces, part of the historic environment. CS8.2 identifies green gaps and that these will be shown on the Allocations DPD, consideration should also be given to the identification of other areas of important open space, for example in conservation areas. CS8.6 is supported with the commitment to CAAs and CAMPs and the complication of a local list. Consideration should be given to preparation of a local heritage at risk register that would cover grade II listed building.

4.22 Appraising the Core Policies on the Health and Wellbeing and Accessing Services

The table overleaf summarises the findings for CS9.1, CS9.2, CS10.1 and CS10.2 (those core policies specifically related to the health and wellbeing and accessing services).

SA Objectives – CS Health and Wellbeing and Accessing Services Core Policies - Overall scores

Sustainability Appraisal Objectives		CS9.1 Social and community infrastructure	CS9.2 Developer contributions	CS10.1 Accessing services	CS10.2 Transport impact of new development
SP1	Increase Participation in Democratic Process	+2	0	+2	0
SP2	Improve Access to Services & Facilities, the Countryside and Open Spaces	+4	+2	+4	+2
SP3	Decent Affordable Housing	0	+2	0	0
SP4	Improve Skills, Education, Training	+2	+2	0	0
SP5	Improve Health & Wellbeing	+4	+2	+2	+2
SP6	Create Vibrant, Active and Inclusive Communities	+4	+2	+2	+2
EN1	Protect and Enhance Biodiversity and Geodiversity	0	+2	0	0
EN2	Conserve and Enhance Landscape Quality and Character	0	+2	0	0

EN3	Improve the Quality of the Built Environment	+2	+2	+2	+2
NR1	Improve Local Air Quality, Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Promote Renewable Energy and Reduce the Need to Travel	+2	+2	+2	+2
NR2	Improve Water Quality and Water Resources	0	+2	0	0
NR3	Restore and protect Land & Soil	0	+2	0	0
NR4	Manage Mineral Resources Sustainably, Minimise Waste and Encourage Recycling	0	+2	0	0
EC1	Retain Existing Jobs and Create New Employment Opportunities	+2	+2	+2	+2
EC2	Improve Training & Access to Jobs	+2	+2	+2	+2
EC3	Strengthen Local Economy	+2	+2	+2	+2
		<u>26</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>16</u>

Red = Negative score; consider strengthening objective, to reduce negative effects/increase positive.

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- 4.23 In summary, the appraisal demonstrated that this group of policies scored positively against the sustainability objectives, though it has highlighted a number of areas that could be strengthened.

5. Likely Negative Effects of the Core Strategy DPD

- 5.1 Below is a list of the most likely negative effects of the Core Strategy DPD against the sustainability objectives identified for the SA Framework.

Negative Effects

Likely negative effects of the strategic objectives and core policies for the Core Strategy DPD:

To preserve and enhance landscape quality and character

- CS7.1 - Meeting the employment requirement
- CS7.2 - Type of employment land required and sectoral split
- CS7.7 - Opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy

To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce the need to travel

- CS7.6 - Tourism Development

- 5.2 Mitigation and Maximising Benefits

Overall the Draft Core Strategy provides a comprehensive policy framework based on sound spatial development principles that should support major improvements to the quality of life for residents of South Lakeland. In all cases a range of positive effects have been identified in relation to the policies set out in the DPD. Key significant positive effects that have been identified include the securing of affordable housing and providing a decent home for all sectors of the community, balancing the need for economic development with the protection of the wide and varied assets of the District, protecting the special character of the area through a range of policies to promote culture and heritage, and identifying appropriate regeneration areas. The spatial representation of the locational policies will ensure balanced growth, sympathetic to the existing scale of settlements and paying due regard to their capacity for growth.

- 5.3 Some negative effects have been identified, but these are restricted to a small number of proposed policies. It is firmly believed that in many cases when considered in the whole the policies represent a good balance between what are often conflicting priorities. Recommendations have been identified to improve the sustainability of individual policies within the final publication Core Strategy.
- 5.4 Beyond amending the wording of the Core Strategy in light of the findings of the SA, the major challenge will be to implement the proposals in the Core Strategy in a manner that secures the most appropriate sustainable solution, minimises the adverse impacts of any developments and maximises any potentially positive effects.

APPENDIX A - Detailed Recording of Appraisal and Scoring of Policies in the Draft Core Strategy

Appraisal Recording and Scoring

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS1 Spatial Strategy					
CS1.1 Sustainable Development Principles					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than through the policies themselves. However, this policy should help to facilitate people’s involvement in democratic processes through supporting services and facilities in rural settlements, ensuring development is not isolated and contributing to the provision of physical and social infrastructure.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees’ responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+4			

Comments and Mitigation

Comments

The Sustainable Development Principles seek to support and nurture existing services and facilities in rural settlements. They also seek to reduce the need to travel and to support the provision of sustainable modes of transport for those journeys that are necessary. The amenity, social and recreation value of the natural and built environment is recognised and contributions to the provision of physical and green infrastructure are advocated. Thus, this policy should have a significant positive impact on improving access to services, facilities the countryside and open spaces.

Mitigation

- This policy will need to be supported in meeting this objective by other policies such as those covering Development Strategy; Accessing Services; Accessing Open Space, Sport and Recreation; Town Centres and Retail and Green Infrastructure as by the work of partners
- Supporting rural transport initiatives and the viability of services and facilities in rural areas
- Requiring developer contributions relating to sustainable transport where appropriate

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home

Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as the cumulative total of homes built increases
Impact Score	+2

Comments and Mitigation

Comments

Whilst this policy does not, in itself, seek to provide homes per se, it is likely to contribute significantly to ensuring that homes delivered through other policies are 'decent' homes. This policy should help to ensure that new homes are built using sustainable construction techniques and incorporate sustainable technologies and high quality design, making them more sustainable than homes built previously. Making new homes more resource efficient should also have the added benefit of making new homes cheaper to run than existing properties in terms of fuel bills.

Mitigation

- This policy will need to be supported by CS1.2, CS6 and CS8.8 as well as the work of housing associations in order to meet this objective fully.
- Policies relating to the provision of higher quality employment opportunities will also support this policy in meeting this objective by helping to reduce the house price: income ratio.

Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek in itself to improve the level of skills, education and training, however, it may help to educate the public about sustainability issues and enable people to live more sustainable lifestyles. Another indirect impact might include an increase in training, education and skills opportunities within the field of sustainability, for example, by the need for skilled workers to manufacture and install renewable energy technologies. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the policy on Education and Skills as well as the work of partners in order to meet this objective fully 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Many aspects covered by the Sustainable Development Principles are likely to have positive impacts on people's health and sense of wellbeing. Under this policy, such impacts could include better access to services and facilities, more resource efficient, cheaper to run housing, minimised risk of flooding, safeguarding and enhancing the built and natural environment and reducing opportunities for crime. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, particularly those in CS9, in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to ensure that development respects the qualities and character of South Lakeland's communities and reinforces civic pride. This policy also seeks to protect and enhance the built and natural environment, including the provision of physical, social and green infrastructure and to reduce crime and the fear of crime, which should also improve the vibrancy, activeness and inclusiveness of communities. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as the spatial portraits for individual areas and policies in CS8 and CS9 as well as the work of other initiatives and partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to safeguard and enhance the quality of the natural environment, including for its biodiversity and geodiversity value. Contributing to the provision of green infrastructure will also have positive impacts for wildlife. This policy should also have indirect positive effects in terms of action to mitigate against climate change and use resources more prudently. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • This policy will need to be supported by the work of partner organisations and national and international policies as well as policies CS8.1 and CS8.5 in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to enhance the character and features of the landscape as well as recognising its amenity, geodiversity, biodiversity, social, recreation and historic value. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.2 in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	U (but including smaller settlements)
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to protect and enhance listed buildings and conservation areas as well as archaeological sites in their own right but will also help to meet this objective by ensuring that new developments respect the character of the existing built environment and contribute to creating a sense of place. It also seeks to ensure that other aspects of the quality of the built environment are also improved through prudent use of natural resources, increased energy efficiency, reduced flood risk and reduced pollution. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies including CS6.6, CS8.7 and CS8.8 as well as by Conservation Area Management Plans and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider referring to utilising and improving existing buildings in the SD Principles 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to mitigate against the effects of air pollution and aims to contribute to minimising the need to travel and offering a choice of sustainable modes of transport. It promotes energy efficiency and renewable energy in new developments, which all should in turn contribute to minimising increases in greenhouse gas emissions.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need the support of other policies such as CS8.1, CS8.8, CS10.1 and CS10.2 as well as the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to minimise water pollution and ensure provision for adequate wastewater management as well as increasing water efficiency in new buildings. The policy also seeks to minimise the risk of flooding by applying the sequential approach set out in PPS25 to new developments.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by policies CS8.1, CS8.6, CS8.8, CS8.9 and CS9.2 and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to ensure that developments take account of the need to enhance the landscape and the wider natural environment whilst also protecting soil from pollution.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will require the support of other policies such as CS6.6, CS8.1 and CS8.2 in order to fully meet this objective. Consider referring to prioritising brownfield over greenfield land and to utilising and improving existing buildings in the SD Principles 	

Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy promotes the use of local and recycled materials in the construction of new developments and seeks to facilitate prudent use of natural resources, including energy and water, minimise the generation of waste and encourage recycling generally.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS6.6, CS8.8 and CS8.10 and the work of Cumbria County Council as the authority dealing with waste disposal and minerals in order to meet this objective. • Mutual support with local/wider waste management and recycling/composting initiatives will also be necessary to encourage people to create less waste and recycle/compost more • Consider referring to “composting” rather than just “recycling” • Consider referring to utilising and improving existing buildings in the SD Principles 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to meet this objective, many aspects of the Sustainable Development Principles have the potential to contribute indirectly to the retainance of existing jobs and to attracting new businesses to the area, creating new employment opportunities. Supporting increased sustainability can help businesses to run more efficiently and provides an attractive environment for new businesses to start-up in or relocate to. Businesses will have opportunities to operate from more efficient buildings, which should have the knock-on effect of cheaper energy bills and a ‘greener’ image. These benefits are likely to apply primarily to new businesses and existing businesses that are relocating as existing business premises will be largely unaffected. There may also be scope for new jobs to be created directly out of efforts to be more sustainable, for example, through the need for companies and skilled workers to manufacture and install renewable energy technologies.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by the policies of CS7, as well as other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to minimise the need to travel and create a more sustainable transport infrastructure which should help provide people with better physical access to jobs by offering more choice of transport policies, including walking and cycling and public transport. Access to jobs may still prove challenging for some people, such as those living in rural areas and those who may find other aspects of access preventing them getting a job such as a lack of suitable childcare or suitable qualifications. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS10.1 and by the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to meet this objective, many aspects of the Sustainable Development Principles have the potential to contribute indirectly to the diversification and strengthening of the local economy. Increased sustainability may help to make businesses more efficient overall through reduced energy consumption and more sustainable transport policies. This policy may contribute to a greener image for the economy and a more attractive environment to encourage new business start-ups and retainance of young people. Benefits of this policy are likely to apply primarily to new businesses and existing businesses that are relocating as existing business premises will be largely unaffected <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7, CS10.1 and by the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
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Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS1 Spatial Strategy					
CS1.2 The Development Strategy					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u>					
It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
Under this policy, focusing development in the settlements where most facilities, services and transport opportunities are available should help to facilitate people’s involvement in democratic processes.					
<u>Mitigation</u>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					

Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will focus new development in settlements where access to services, facilities and transport is greatest, taking into account both settlement capacity and local need. It provides the benefits of having basic services available across a range of settlements with centralised main services are available in larger settlements meaning that there will be increased opportunities for people to walk to day-to-day services whilst other services will be accessible by sustainable forms of transport. Due to the rural nature of the district, residents generally have easy access to the countryside, even for those without their own transport. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1 	
Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help ensure that local housing needs are met across the district by focusing development in Principal, Key and Local Service Centres but also allowing development in smaller settlements outside services centres. It will help to address issues of affordability as locally as possible. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by the CS6 policies, which focus on housing The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. Policies relating to the provision of higher quality employment opportunities will also support this policy in meeting this objective by helping to reduce the house price : income ratio. 	

Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy, by applying a settlement hierarchy and focusing development in service centres but allowing for appropriate levels of development in smaller settlements should offer increased opportunities for developing skills, education and training through links with new and existing establishments and businesses. The spread of development offered by this policy will also help to support existing establishments, for example, small village primary schools, to remain viable by enabling more young families to remain living in villages rather than having to leave to find homes in more affordable locations. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The approach set out in this policy will help to ensure that levels of development in particular settlements are appropriate to meet local needs in terms of housing and service/facility provision in accordance with the environmental and infrastructure capacity of the area. Addressing problems relating to housing affordability and access to services and facilities should impact positively on people health and feelings of well-being. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a need to ensure that any possible negative knock-on effects of this policy on general quality of life are minimised. For example, where new developments bring more traffic to a village, ensuring that this is not going to compromise air quality or prevent children crossing the road to access the local play area. This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	
Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not seek to meet the criteria of SP6 directly, it supports the addressing of the local needs of each settlement and provides the basis for appropriate development to take place in accordance with each settlement's environmental and infrastructure capacity. It will enable local services and facilities such as shops and schools to remain viable and local people to remain living in their home village or town. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	

EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, it does aim to ensure that development is within settlements' environmental limits. Focusing development primarily in two main settlements and taking the capacity of settlements to take development into full account should help to ensure that the impact of development on biodiversity and geodiversity is minimised, though care will need to be taken to ensure that this is the case.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 and relevant National and International policy and legislation in order to fully meet this objective • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • Consider adding more emphasis to the recognition of settlement character and environmental capacity in determining where development will go. 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Focusing development primarily in two main settlements and taking the character and environmental capacity of settlements into full account should help to ensure that development has minimal impact on the landscape. However, there are likely to be some negative impacts as although brownfield land will be prioritised over greenfield, some green field land will be needed to accommodate development.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	U – primarily in built up settlements
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Focusing development in main centres whilst allowing development in smaller settlements also is likely to offer the greatest opportunities for improving the built environment whether through complimentary design of new build or through the sympathetic reuse and refurbishment of existing buildings.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS6.6, CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. • Consideration must be made of the potential for improvements to be made to the built environment in smaller service centres and rural settlements as well as in terms of buildings in the wider countryside 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D & L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not, in itself, seek to address the issues considered in NR1, however, applying the settlement hierarchy will concentrate development in settlements, primarily the two PSCs, where services and facilities as well as transport policies are most readily accessible. This should reduce people's need to travel. However, this may also attract greater densities of traffic, which could cause further reductions in air quality at existing trouble spots as well as creating new ones. In addition, people living in KSCs, LSCs and rural settlements/areas will always have to travel to PSCs for certain services and facilities.</p> <p>Concentrating development in two PSCs may present more viable opportunities for renewable energy and energy efficiency than more dispersed development might due to greater numbers of larger developments; this is less likely to be the case in KSCs and other smaller settlements.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Any development is likely to increase demands on water resources and sewage infrastructure. This policy does aim to ensure that development takes place in accordance with environmental capacity and the capacity of existing infrastructure provision.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new developments Consider adding recognition of the fact that some settlements may need additional water infrastructure capacity in order to grow 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	U – primarily in and around PSCs, KSCs and LSCs
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy seeks to apply a settlement hierarchy meaning that development will take place in accordance with the character and environmental capacity of individual settlements. The policy also prioritises the reuse of existing buildings and brownfield land. However, significant new development will need to take place on greenfield land in South Lakeland due to a lack of brownfield sites. The settlement hierarchy will mean that the impact of this will be most significant around PSCs, KSCs and to a lesser degree, LSCs.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective, including CS6.6 • Imaginative ways of enabling the use of existing buildings and brownfield sites should be considered wherever possible – consider drawing up a list of empty buildings and brownfield sites to raise awareness of them and ensure that priority can be given to these. • Consider requiring developer contributions (CS9.2) to help remediate or make readily available otherwise difficult to develop sites or to improve the quality of land and soil elsewhere 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to meet this objective. However, applying the settlement hierarchy may have the benefit of meaning that the majority of people do not have to travel far to reach recycling and waste disposal facilities/civic amenity sites as these are most readily available in larger villages and towns and also that waste and recycling collection services do not have to cover such great distances in order to collect every household's waste/recyclables. However, new development will increase the amount of waste generated in the district overall and will require minerals/aggregate for construction.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS6.6, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding more emphasis to recognition of capacity of existing infrastructure provision and possibly list what infrastructure types we mean i.e could waste be included. 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Focusing development in the main centres whilst also allowing appropriate levels of development across the hierarchy supports the retaining of existing jobs by enabling existing businesses to expand and/or relocate. It also helps to create opportunities for new businesses to develop in both larger and smaller settlements. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Focus of development in main towns and appropriate development across the hierarchy should mean that people generally obtain better physical access to jobs by ensuring that homes and employment opportunities are located close to one another and where access to transport options is greatest. However, aspects of practicable access such as overcoming obstacles to getting a job such as securing appropriate childcare and having the right skills cannot be dealt with through this policy. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such those in CS7 and CS10.1 and by the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Focusing development in the main centres whilst also allowing appropriate levels of development across the settlement hierarchy supports the diversification and strengthening of the economy by ensuring that there are opportunities for existing businesses to develop and diversify and to attract new businesses to the district, including in rural areas. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies in CS7 as well as the work of partners in order to meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS2 Kendal Area					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, supporting the wider viability and vitality of Kendal should facilitate opportunities for people to be further involved in democratic processes. As Kendal is the main town in the district, it is likely that this policy will support this objective with regards Kendal residents and those living elsewhere in the district.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					

Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Significant development is proposed to take place in Kendal and this policy specifies some key developments and regeneration that are likely to improve overall access to services and facilities for Kendal residents in particular but for those living in the catchment area and wider hinterland also. This policy also seeks to address a range of transport issues, which will also help to improve physical access; these include congestion and parking solutions, public transport improvements and pedestrian and cycling linkages and networks. Significant issues of access may still remain for rural residents, especially those without their own transport.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as the cumulative total of new residential developments in the town takes place
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy stipulates that Kendal will expand to accommodate significant residential development, taking into account the housing needs of the area. Substantial housing provision will also take place at Canal Head as part of the regeneration of that part of the town centre. Plans for a strategic business employment area and a cluster of knowledge based industries should contribute to minimising the house price : income ratio and thus improve housing affordability.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	

Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy particularly aims to support improvements to and expansion of Kendal College and the University of Cumbria as well as advocating provision for improvements to the wider education infrastructure where population growth requires this. The strategic business employment area and a cluster of knowledge based industries also planned for the town could contribute to improving the level of skills, education and training opportunities through apprenticeships and similar schemes that companies/businesses at these sites might provide but also through mutual relationships between such companies/businesses and new and existing educational establishments and initiatives. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS6 as well as the work of partners in order to meet this objective fully 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	Primarily L/U but with district-wide benefits
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The wider regeneration implications of this policy for Kendal such as redevelopment and regeneration of Kendal canal and Canal head area, development of educational facilities, increased quality and choice of jobs and access to services, facilities and recreation provision should all contribute to the health and sense of wellbeing of particularly Kendal residents but residents of other areas of South Lakeland and visitors from further afield as well. The most direct benefits to this objective from this policy might be in the development of increased opportunities for cycling and walking with designated foot and cycle path networks and linkages between key points of the town, which will support people to lead healthier lifestyles. Other traffic management initiatives should help to reduce traffic emissions and the build up of fumes in particular areas, which could help to reduce the negative effects of poor air quality on people's health. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS9 and CS1.1 in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider adding recognition that elements from Access and Environment sections of the policy also contribute to Health and Wellbeing. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The regeneration implications of this policy for Kendal such as redevelopment and regeneration of Kendal canal and Canal head area, development of educational facilities, increased quality and choice of jobs and access to services, facilities and recreation provision should all contribute to increasing the vibrancy and inclusiveness of Kendal in particular, this may benefit Kendal residents primarily but those from further afield also, as well as visitors. Local issues will be addressed and the town's strengths, including heritage and open spaces will be built on under this policy.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies (with the exception of CS8.6) as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity. However, the policy does aim to improve green infrastructure in the town generally and to safeguard and enhance the natural environment, giving particular attention to the River Kent and its tributaries SAC. Development at Canal Head will involve redevelopment of existing buildings and development of brownfield land, both of which can be important for wildlife, often more so than open greenfield land.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species, habitats and geological features that are important but not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent This policy will need to be supported by wider initiatives by partner organisations and national and international policies as well as policies CS1.1, CS8.1 and CS8.5 in order to fully meet this objective 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, however, it does aim to improve green infrastructure in the town and to safeguard and enhance the natural environment as well as protecting green gaps between Kendal and Burneside, Kendal and Oxenholme and Oxenholme and Natland. Significant development is proposed for Kendal, particularly around the edges where the town meets the wider countryside and thus, there is potential for harm to the quality and character of the landscape. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as landscape assessments in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	U/L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the cumulative total of regeneration and new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The significant new development in and around Kendal under this policy will provide many opportunities to improve the built environment, not least at Canal Head, which will involve the regeneration and redevelopment of a large area that currently includes industrial and brownfield land and existing buildings, some of which offer particular opportunities for improvement and which fall within and adjacent to the town's Conservation Area. This policy also seeks to safeguard and enhance buildings and areas of heritage and cultural importance and improve green infrastructure. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.2, CS8.7 and CS8.8 in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding specific reference to the Conservation Area rather than just to the grant scheme, for example, the recent appraisal and forthcoming management plan as well as the value of the Conservation Area to Kendal's character. 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to explore opportunities for solutions to the traffic and parking problems in Kendal and also aims to introduce, through work with partners, greater opportunities for cycling, walking and sustainable public transport, all of which should contribute to improving local air quality and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. However, the significant development that is proposed under this policy for the Kendal area is likely to increase the numbers of businesses and residents and thus increase the numbers of journeys and vehicles on the town's roads. This policy does not specifically seek to promote renewable energy or energy efficiency, though the significant development proposed could provide opportunities for such measures under other policies.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need the support of other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 in order to fully meet this objective • Consider including how the vision for Kendal will contribute to addressing climate change, for example, Kendal could aim to become a transition town. 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or resources. The significant development proposed for Kendal means that more pressure will be put on water resources and water infrastructure/wastewater works and there will be greater potential for water pollution from construction and from new businesses. This is particularly relevant in Kendal due to the presence of the River Kent and tributaries SAC. Development of greenfield land will decrease the area of land available for water to soak away and could increase the potential for flooding.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new developments • Consider adding recognition of the fact that some settlements may need additional water infrastructure capacity in order to grow 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil. Significant development is proposed for Kendal, much of which will result in the expansion of the town beyond its existing boundaries and thus, meaning that significant greenfield land take-up will be required. However, this policy will also provide opportunities for remediation of contaminated land and the use of brownfield land and existing buildings. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will require the support of other policies such as CS6.6 in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. The significant development and regeneration under this policy will require minerals to be used for construction and will generate increased waste during construction and throughout the operational life of developments as increased numbers of residents and businesses will result in more waste. The Kendal Canal head development is likely to require the removal of the town centre HWRC, which may reduce ease of access to opportunities to recycle. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 and the work of Cumbria County Council as the authority dealing with waste disposal and minerals in order to meet this objective. Mutual support with local/wider waste management and recycling/composting initiatives will also be necessary to encourage people to create less waste and recycle more Consider adding reference to non-transport aspects of infrastructure such as waste, including with regard to need for new site for HWRC in Kendal. 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	Primarily L/U but with district-wide benefits
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to support the development of a cluster of knowledge-based industries in the Kendal area and seeks to support specifically higher quality new jobs. The significant development, regeneration and initiatives planned for Kendal under this policy will help to support existing jobs and attract new businesses to the area by raising skills levels and creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. Tackling local transport issues will also support businesses and industries in the area. As Kendal is the district's largest town and principle service centre, the benefits of this policy will support Kendal residents, residents of other areas of the district and visitors alike.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to provide new jobs and support existing jobs. It also seeks to address traffic and parking problems and provide improved public transport and a wider choice of sustainable modes of transport including walking and cycling networks all of which should help to improve people's physical access to jobs. The policy also seeks improvements to the education infrastructure (including Kendal College and University of Cumbria) although some aspects of practicable access, involving barriers other than physical limitations to accessing jobs, such as securing suitable childcare and obtaining the right skills will need to be addressed primarily by other policies and initiatives.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to support the development of a cluster of knowledge-based industries in the Kendal area and seeks to support specifically higher quality new jobs. The significant development, regeneration and initiatives planned for Kendal under this policy will help to support existing jobs and attract new businesses to the area by raising skills levels and creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. Tackling local transport issues and thus improving access and travel times and options will also support existing businesses and industries and attract new ones. The town's existing features and strengths will be built upon, again attracting new businesses to the town and helping to retain existing employers. All these aspects will contribute to strengthening and diversifying the local economy. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS3 Ulverston and Furness CS3.1 Ulverston and Furness					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, supporting the wider viability and vitality of Ulverston should facilitate opportunities for people to be further involved in democratic processes. As Ulverston is a Principal Service Centre, it is likely that this policy will support this objective with regards Ulverston area residents and those living elsewhere in the district.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					

Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Significant development is proposed to take place in Ulverston and this policy specifies some key actions for development and regeneration in the town which have the potential to improve overall access to services and facilities for Ulverston residents in particular but for those living in the catchment area and wider hinterland of the functional area also. This policy also seeks to develop further convenience and comparison shopping, tourism and public transport as well as improvements to green spaces and green infrastructure. Issues of access may still remain for rural residents, especially those without their own transport.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to allotments 	
Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy stipulates that Ulverston will expand to accommodate significant residential development, taking into account the housing needs of the area. Housing provision may also take place at the canal as part of the regeneration of that part of the town. Plans for economic development should contribute to minimising the house price: income ratio and thus improve housing affordability.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported in achieving the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	

Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, however, the development of a main employment area at the Canal Head/Canal Corridor area should present opportunities for apprenticeships, training and similar that companies/businesses at these sites might provide but also through mutual relationships between such companies/businesses and educational establishments and wider educational initiatives. The policy also seeks to improve wider education infrastructure where population increases require this. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners in order to meet this objective fully 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The wider regeneration implications of this policy for Ulverston such as redevelopment and regeneration of the Canal head/corridor area, increased provision of jobs, enhancement of tourist attractions (which can also be utilised by residents) and a vitalised and viable town centre should all contribute to the health and sense of wellbeing of particularly Ulverston residents as well as residents of other areas of South Lakeland and visitors from further afield. The most direct benefits to this objective from this policy might be in the development of increased opportunities for cycling and walking due to the proposed improvements to transport network, including cycling and walking routes which should support people to lead healthier lifestyles. Public transport improvements should help to reduce traffic emissions and the build up of fumes in particular areas, which would help to reduce the negative effects of poor air quality on people's health. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS9 and CS1.1 in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider adding recognition that elements from Access and Environment sections of the policy also contribute to Health and Wellbeing • Consider adding reference to allotments 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The wider regeneration implications of this policy for Ulverston such as redevelopment and regeneration of the Canal head/corridor area, increased provision of jobs, enhancement of tourist attractions (which can also be utilised by residents) and a vitalised and viable town centre should all contribute to the vitality and inclusiveness of Ulverston. Local issues will be addressed and the town's strengths such as the Laurel and Hardy link, festival town reputation and high number of specialist, independent shops in the town centre and the success of the Market Towns initiative will be built on under this policy.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to allotments 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity. However, the policy does aim to improve green spaces and green infrastructure in the town generally and to safeguard and enhance the natural environment. Development at the Canal is likely to involve redevelopment of existing buildings and development of brownfield land, both of which can be important for wildlife, often more so than open greenfield land.</p> <p>Significant development is proposed for Ulverston, around the edges where the town meets the wider countryside and the Canal corridor is adjacent to the Morecambe Bay SAC and to a number other green, currently undeveloped areas, including a County Wildlife Site so there is potential for harm to wildlife and loss of habitat.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species, habitats and geological features that are important but not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • This policy will need to be supported by wider initiatives by partner organisations and national and international policies as well as policies CS1.1, CS8.1 and CS8.5 in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to allotments 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, however, it does aim to improve green spaces and green infrastructure in the town and to safeguard and enhance the natural environment as well as protecting green gaps between Ulverston and Swarthmoor, Penny Bridge and Greenodd and Great and Little Urswick. Significant development is proposed for Ulverston, particularly around the edges where the town meets the wider countryside and thus, there is potential for harm to the quality and character of the landscape. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as landscape assessments in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The significant new development in and around Ulverston under this policy will provide many opportunities to improve the built environment, not least in the Canal Head/Corridor area, which will involve the regeneration and redevelopment of a large area that currently includes industrial and brownfield land and existing buildings. This policy also seeks to safeguard and enhance buildings and areas of heritage and cultural importance and improve green infrastructure. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.2, CS8.7 and CS8.8 in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding specific reference to the Conservation Area, for example, the recent appraisal and forthcoming management plan as well as the value of the Conservation Area to Ulverston's character • Consider adding reference to allotments 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to explore opportunities for improving transport routes between the M6 and Furness, including the rail link. This policy also seeks to introduce, through work with partners, greater opportunities for cycling, walking and sustainable public transport, all of which should contribute to improving local air quality and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. However, the significant development that is proposed under this policy for the Ulverston area is likely to increase the numbers of businesses and residents and thus increase the numbers of journeys and vehicles on the town's roads. This policy does not specifically seek to promote renewable energy or energy efficiency, though the significant development proposed could provide opportunities for such measures under other policies.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need the support of other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 in order to fully meet this objective Consider including how the vision for Ulverston will contribute to addressing climate change. 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or resources. The significant development proposed for Ulverston means that more pressure will be put on water resources and water infrastructure/wastewater works and there will be greater potential for water pollution from construction and from new businesses. This is particularly relevant in Ulverston due to the presence of the Morecambe Bay SAC and the fact that the Ulverston canal is physically linked to the SAC. Development of greenfield land will decrease the area of land available for water to soak away and could increase the potential for flooding.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new developments Consider adding recognition of the fact that some settlements may need additional water infrastructure capacity in order to grow 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil. Significant development is proposed for Ulverston, much of which will result in the expansion of the town beyond its existing boundaries and thus, meaning that significant greenfield land take-up will be required. However, this policy will provide opportunities for remediation of contaminated land and the use of brownfield land and existing buildings through the redevelopment of the canal head/corridor area. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will require the support of other policies such as CS3.2 and CS6.6 in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. The significant development and regeneration under this policy will require minerals to be used for construction and will generate increased waste during construction and throughout the operational life of developments as increased numbers of residents and businesses will result in more waste. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 and the work of Cumbria County Council as the authority dealing with waste disposal and minerals in order to meet this objective. Mutual support with local/wider waste management and recycling/composting initiatives will also be necessary to encourage people to create less waste and recycle more Consider adding reference to non-transport aspects of infrastructure such as waste. 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	Primarily L/U but with district-wide benefits
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> <p>The significant development, regeneration and town centre retail, tourism and accessibility initiatives planned for Ulverston under this policy will help to support existing jobs and attract new businesses to the area by raising skills levels and creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. Tackling local transport issues and allowing for small-scale economic development in Local Service Centres will also support businesses and industries in the area. As Ulverston is the district's second principle service centre, the benefits of this policy will support Ulverston residents, residents of it's hinterland and visitors alike.</p>	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> <p>This policy specifically seeks to provide development to attract new jobs and support existing jobs. It also seeks to address transport and accessibility issues and provide improved public transport and a wider choice of sustainable modes of transport including walking and cycling all of which should help to improve people's physical access to jobs. The policy also seeks improvements to the education infrastructure although some aspects of practicable access, involving barriers other than physical limitations to accessing jobs, such as securing suitable childcare and obtaining the right skills will need to be addressed primarily by other policies and initiatives.</p>	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The significant development, regeneration and town centre retail, tourism and accessibility initiatives planned for Ulverston under this policy will help to support existing jobs and attract new businesses to the area by raising skills levels and creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. Tackling local transport issues and thus improving access and travel times and options will also support existing businesses and industries and attract new ones as well as allowing for small-scale economic development in Local Service Centres will further support businesses and industries in the area. The town's existing features and strengths, including heritage, culture and tourism, will be built upon, again attracting new businesses to the town and helping to retain existing employers. All these aspects will contribute to strengthening and diversifying the local economy. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS3 Ulverston and Furness CS3.2 Ulverston Canal Head and Corridor					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		S			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, the regeneration of the Ulverston Canal area should create opportunities for people to be involved in democratic processes through public involvement and consultation on the works that take place there. As Ulverston is a Principal Service Centre, it is likely that this policy will support this objective with regards residents of the Ulverston area as well as those living elsewhere in the district.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					

Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L/U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The regeneration of Ulverston Canal Head and corridor seeks to provide new facilities offering opportunities for leisure and recreation and provision of public open spaces as well as improving links between this areas and Ulverston Town Centre, supporting efforts to improve access to services and facilities. The location of the Canal corridor on the edge of Ulverston, adjacent the open countryside means that accessibility from the town to the countryside will also be improved. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS3.1, CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	S
Geographic Scale	L/U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The regeneration of Ulverston Canal Head and corridor seeks to include residential development and thus will contribute to meeting the overall housing needs. However, this policy does not seek to cover the 'decent' aspects of this objective. Development costs, which will be exacerbated by the need for redevelopment of existing buildings and brownfield land and possibly contamination remediation as well as the location, likely to be desirable due to canal side and coastal location may restrict the provision of affordable housing under this policy. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1, CS3.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, however, the development of a main employment area at the Canal Head/Canal Corridor area should present opportunities for apprenticeships, training and similar that companies/businesses might provide but also through mutual relationships between such companies/businesses and educational establishments and wider educational initiatives. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS3.1 and those in CS7 as well as the work of partners in order to meet this objective fully Consider adding reference to opportunities for training in bullet 2 of the policy 	

Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L/U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The regeneration of the Canal head/corridor area, including provision of jobs, tourist attractions (which can also be utilised by residents) and leisure and recreation facilities should all contribute to the health and sense of wellbeing of particularly Ulverston residents as well as residents of other areas of South Lakeland and visitors. The most direct benefits to this objective from this policy might be in the development of cycling and walking linkages between the canal area and the town centre and railway station; these should support people in leading healthier lifestyles and the in the provision of an improved recreation/leisure route along the canal to the coast.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3, those in CS9 and CS1.1 in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L/U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The redevelopment and regeneration of the Canal head/corridor area, including the enhancement of tourist attractions (which can also be utilised by residents), leisure and recreation facilities and foot and cycle links should all contribute to the vitality and inclusiveness of Ulverston. The town's strengths such as it's festival town reputation, unique town centre, public realm and the canal as a recreational and biodiversity resource will be built on under this policy.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective Canal regeneration could include heritage trail/interpretation boards about the history of the canal and it's role in the town's development 	

EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	S-M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does seek to enhance the biodiversity of the Canal area and provides a key opportunity to do so. However, regeneration of the Canal head/corridor area is likely to involve redevelopment of existing buildings and development of brownfield land, both of which can be important for wildlife, often more so than open greenfield land. The Canal corridor is adjacent to and physically linked to, the Morecambe Bay SAC and is adjacent a County Wildlife Site so there is potential for harm to wildlife and loss of habitat and care will need to be taken.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species, habitats and geological features that are important but not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • This policy will need to be supported by wider initiatives by partner organisations and national and international policies as well as policies CS1.1, CS3.1, CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS8.6 in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to protecting existing biodiversity value and improving quality of existing habitat for existing wildlife • Consider adding reference to proximity and potential impacts on Morecambe Bay Ramsar/SAC • Consider referring to adjacent County Wildlife Site • Consider adding reference to improving water quality and possibly to abstraction 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy seeks to improve the landscape and enhance the wider natural environment. This is likely to be through aesthetic improvements to the edge of the built up area that will be made through the redevelopment of existing buildings in the canal area, some of which are vacant and in need of renovation as well as through the use of other brownfield sites and public realm improvements. This should improve the general look of the area as well as views into the town and out of town through the canal area towards the open countryside and the coast, although particular attention will need to be paid to the design of new building development and other features of the scheme.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS3.1, CS8.1, CS8.2 and CS8.5 as well as landscape assessments in order to fully meet this objective 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L/U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The regeneration of the Canal head/corridor area is likely to involve redevelopment of existing buildings and the use of brownfield land to provide housing and employment as well as leisure and recreation facilities. This policy also seeks to enhance the public realm and the wider environment as well as helping to address flood risk issues at the site. This should improve the general look of the area as well as views into the town and out of town through the canal area towards the open countryside, although particular attention will need to be paid to the design of new building development and other features of the scheme.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.2, CS8.7 CS8.8 and CS8.9 in order to fully meet this objective 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L/U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy seeks to provide improved links between Ulverston's railway station, the town centre and the canal area using foot and cycle routes which will enable people to move around the town more easily without using their cars and thus should reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve local air quality. However, the significant development that is proposed under this policy for the Ulverston canal area is likely to increase the numbers of businesses and residents and thus increase the numbers of journeys and vehicles on the town's roads. This policy does not specifically seek to promote renewable energy or energy efficiency, though the significant development proposed could provide opportunities for such measures under other policies.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need the support of other policies such as CS1.1, CS3.1, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 in order to fully meet this objective Consider including how the vision for Ulverston's Canal Head/corridor area will contribute to addressing climate change. 	

Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or resources. The regeneration of the Ulverston canal area may not result in increased pressure on water resources and water infrastructure/wastewater works as new homes, employment and other developments will partly be replacing existing developments. There will however be potential for water pollution from construction and from new businesses. Care will also need to be taken where any remedial action on contaminated sites takes place. Water quality is particularly relevant in the canal area due to the presence of and physical link to the Morecambe Bay SAC. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new developments • Consider adding specific reference to improving water quality in the canal and possibly to abstraction 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L/U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The regeneration of the Canal head/corridor area is likely to take place primarily through the redevelopment of existing buildings and the use of brownfield land. There is potential for the remediation of contaminated land. The provision of employment and housing in this area will help to minimise the take-up of greenfield land required to meet employment and housing needs, thus protecting land and soil from development. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require the support of other policies such as CS6.6 in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider adding reference to use of brownfield land and existing buildings as well as contaminated land remediation 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. The significant regeneration development under this policy will require minerals/materials to be used for construction and will generate waste during construction and throughout the operational life of developments as increased numbers of residents and businesses will result in more waste. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 and the work of Cumbria County Council as the authority dealing with waste disposal and minerals in order to meet this objective. Mutual support with local/wider waste management and recycling/composting initiatives will also be necessary to encourage people to create less waste and recycle more • Waste depot in the canal area may need to be incorporated into regeneration scheme. 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to provide a range of employment and business opportunities and to facilitate economic development in the area.</p> <p>The significant regeneration planned for this area of Ulverston under this policy will help to support existing jobs and attract new businesses to the area by creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. Proposals under this policy to provide new tourism, leisure and recreation facilities will also help to support the local economy generally, helping to ensure that existing jobs in that sector are secure and that new jobs are created.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to provide a range of employment and business opportunities and to facilitate economic development in the area. It also seeks to improve linkages within the town, particularly between the town centre and rail station and the canal area and including walking and cycling routes, which should help to improve people's physical access to jobs. Aspects of practicable access, involving barriers other than physical limitations to accessing jobs, such as securing suitable childcare and obtaining the right skills will need to be addressed primarily by other policies and initiatives.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS3.1 and those in CS7 CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. Consider adding reference to opportunities for training in bullet 2 of the policy 	

Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to provide a range of employment and business opportunities and to facilitate economic development in the area. The significant regeneration in the Ulverston canal area under this policy will help to support existing jobs and attract new businesses to the area by creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. The town's existing features and strengths, including heritage, culture and tourism, will be built upon attracting new businesses to the town and helping to retain existing employers. All these aspects will contribute to strengthening and diversifying the local economy.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS4 Cartmel Peninsula					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u>					
It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, supporting the wider viability and vitality of Grange and the Cartmel Peninsula villages should facilitate opportunities for people to be further involved in democratic processes. As Grange is a Key Service Centre, it is likely that this policy will support this objective with regards Grange residents and those living in the wider area.					
<u>Mitigation</u>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					

Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Moderate development is proposed to take place in Grange and this policy specifies some key developments and regeneration that have the potential to improve overall access to services and facilities for Grange residents in particular but for those living in the catchment area and wider hinterland of the Cartmel Peninsula also. This policy also seeks to develop new integrated health facilities, a cluster of facilities and attractions, public and wider sustainable transport improvements including reinstated access over the railway line to the promenade and some further small-scale retail space. Significant issues of access may still remain for rural residents, especially those without their own transport.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding specific reference to the development of a swimming pool • Consider adding more specific reference to access and facilities for settlements other than Grange • Consider adding reference to walking as well as cycling routes 	
Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy stipulates that Grange will expand to accommodate moderate residential development and other settlements in the Cartmel peninsula will also accommodate some housing development, taking into account the housing needs of the area. Plans for economic development to support existing and provide new local employment opportunities should contribute to minimising the house price: income ratio and thus improve housing affordability.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported in achieving the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	

Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, however, the promotion of opportunities for start-up and growing businesses and of an entrepreneurial culture in Grange may present opportunities for apprenticeships, training and similar, which could be provided by companies/businesses on-site and through mutual relationships with educational establishments and wider educational initiatives. The policy also seeks to improve wider education infrastructure where population increases require this. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners in order to meet this objective fully 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The wider regeneration implications of this policy for Grange such as redevelopment of the Berners area, which includes an integrated health facility, along with increased provision of jobs, enhancement of tourist attractions (which can also be utilised by residents) and a vitalised and viable town centre should all contribute to the health and sense of wellbeing of Cartmel peninsula residents. Other benefits to this objective from this policy might be in the development of increased opportunities for cycling and walking due to the proposed improvements to cycling and walking routes, which should support people in leading healthier lifestyles. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS9 and CS1.1 in order to fully meet this objective. Consider adding recognition that elements from Access and Environment sections of the policy also contribute to Health and Wellbeing Consider adding specific reference to the development of a swimming pool 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The wider regeneration implications of this policy for Grange such as redevelopment of the Berners area, increased provision of jobs, enhancement of tourist attractions (which can also be utilised by residents) and a vitalised and viable town centre should all contribute to the vitality and inclusiveness of Grange in particular. Local issues will be addressed and the town's strengths such as the Victorian and Edwardian character, coastal resort reputation and high number of specialist, independent shops will be built on under this policy.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding more specific reference to supporting the vibrancy, inclusivity and open-mindedness of settlements in the Cartmel peninsula other than Grange 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity. However, the policy does aim to improve the network of green spaces in the area and to safeguard and enhance the natural environment. Moderate development is proposed for Grange, much of which will be around the edges where the town meets the wider countryside and other settlements in the peninsula will also accommodate some development. The peninsula juts out into the Morecambe Bay SAC and is home to the Morecambe Bay Pavements SACs and to a number other green, currently undeveloped areas, including other designated sites so there is potential for harm to wildlife and loss of habitat.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species, habitats and geological features that are important but not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • This policy will need to be supported by wider initiatives by partner organisations and national and international policies as well as policies CS1.1, CS8.1 and CS8.5 in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to Morecambe Bay Pavements in list of the area's key designations 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, however, it does aim to improve green spaces in the area and to safeguard and enhance the natural environment as well as protecting the green gap between Grange and Allithwaite. Moderate development is proposed for Grange, much of which will be around the edges where the town meets the wider countryside and other settlements in the peninsula will also accommodate some development, thus, there is potential for harm to the quality and character of the landscape. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as landscape assessments in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding specific reference to conserving and enhancing the landscape 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The moderate new development in and around Grange under this policy will provide opportunities to improve the built environment, for example in the Berners area, which will involve the regeneration and redevelopment of a large area that currently includes brownfield land, the existing vacant pool building and the old lido. This policy also seeks to promote high quality contemporary design to complement and enhance the distinctive Victorian/Edwardian townscape of Grange, as well as improving the network of green spaces. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.2, CS8.7 and CS8.8 in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding specific reference to the Conservation Areas, for example, the recent appraisals and forthcoming management plans as well as the value of the Conservation Areas to Grange's and Cartmel's characters • Consider adding reference to localised flooding issues 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to improve public transport, cycling and walking routes in the Cartmel peninsula, all of which should contribute to improving local air quality and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. However, the moderate development that is proposed under this policy for the Grange area is likely to increase the numbers of businesses and residents and thus increase the numbers of journeys and vehicles on the area's roads. This policy does not specifically seek to promote renewable energy or energy efficiency, though the moderate development proposed could provide opportunities for such measures under other policies.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need the support of other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 in order to fully meet this objective Consider including how the vision for the Cartmel peninsula will contribute to addressing climate change. 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or resources. The moderate development proposed for Grange as well as more modest development in other settlements in the peninsula means that more pressure will be put on water resources and water infrastructure/wastewater works and there will be greater potential for water pollution from construction and from new businesses. This is particularly relevant in the Cartmel peninsula due to the presence of low-lying land and the proximity of the Morecambe Bay SAC. Development of greenfield land will decrease the area of land available for water to soak away and could increase the potential for flooding.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new developments Consider adding recognition of the fact that some settlements may need additional water infrastructure capacity in order to grow Consider adding reference to localised flooding issues 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil. Moderate development is proposed for Grange, much of which will result in the expansion of the town beyond its existing boundaries and more modest development is planned in other settlements in the peninsula thus, moderate greenfield land take-up will be required. However, this policy will provide opportunities for the use of brownfield land and existing buildings through the redevelopment of the Berners area. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will require the support of other policies such as CS3.2 and CS6.6 in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste or encourage recycling. The moderate development and regeneration under this policy will require minerals to be used for construction and will generate increased waste during construction and throughout the operational life of developments as increased numbers of residents and businesses will result in more waste. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 and the work of Cumbria County Council as the authority dealing with waste disposal and minerals in order to meet this objective. Mutual support with local/wider waste management and recycling/composting initiatives will also be necessary to encourage people to create less waste and recycle more Consider adding reference to non-transport aspects of infrastructure such as waste. 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	Primarily L/U but with wider benefits
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> The development, regeneration, retail, tourism and accessibility initiatives planned for Grange under this policy will help to support existing jobs and enable new business start-ups in the Cartmel peninsula by raising skills levels and creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. Tackling local transport issues and allowing for small-scale economic development in Local Service Centres will also support businesses and industries in the area. As Grange is a key service centre, the benefits of this policy will support Grange residents, residents of the wider peninsula and visitors alike.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to provide development to enable new business start-ups in the Cartmel peninsula and support existing jobs. It also seeks to address transport and accessibility issues and provide improved public transport and a wider choice of sustainable modes of transport including walking and cycling all of which should help to improve people's physical access to jobs. The policy also seeks improvements to the education infrastructure although some aspects of practicable access, involving barriers other than physical limitations to accessing jobs, such as securing suitable childcare and obtaining the right skills will need to be addressed primarily by other policies and initiatives.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> <p>The development, regeneration, retail, tourism and accessibility initiatives planned for Grange under this policy will help to support existing jobs and enable new business start-ups in the Cartmel peninsula by raising skills levels and creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. Tackling local transport issues and thus improving access and travel times and options will also support existing businesses and industries and attract new ones. Allowing for small-scale economic development in Local Service Centres will further support businesses and industries in the area.</p> <p>The town's existing features and strengths, such as the Victorian and Edwardian character, coastal resort reputation and high number of specialist, independent shops will be built upon, again attracting new businesses to the town and helping to retain existing employers. All these aspects will contribute to strengthening and diversifying the local economy.</p> <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
<u>CS5 The East</u> <u>(Including Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale)</u>					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, supporting the wider viability and vitality of Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale as Key Service Centres should facilitate opportunities for people to be further involved in democratic processes. As these Key Service Centres serve a large rural hinterland, it is likely that this policy will support this objective with regards residents of these settlements and those living elsewhere in the east.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					

Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The development proposals for Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale in this policy such as new retail space and sustainable transport improvements have the potential to improve overall access to services and facilities for residents of those settlements in particular but for those living in the wider hinterland of the east area also. The maintenance and enhancement of tourism in the area should also support the retainance and provision of new facilities, which can be used by residents as well as tourists. Significant issues of access may still remain for rural residents, especially those without their own transport. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to allotments 	
Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy stipulates that Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale will expand to accommodate moderate residential development and that several other settlements in the east will also accommodate some housing development, taking into account the housing needs of the area. Plans for economic development to support existing and provide new local employment opportunities should contribute to minimising the house price : income ratio and thus improve housing affordability. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported in achieving the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	

Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, however, the promotion of opportunities for start-up and growing businesses in the east area may present opportunities for apprenticeships, training and similar, which could be provided by companies/businesses on-site and through mutual relationships with educational establishments and wider educational initiatives. The policy also seeks to improve wider education infrastructure where population increases require this. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners in order to meet this objective fully 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The support for new businesses and existing for jobs, enhancement of tourism (which can also provide facilities for residents) and a vitalised and viable town centre advocated in this policy should all contribute to the health and sense of wellbeing of residents in the east area. Other benefits to this objective from this policy might be in the development of increased opportunities for cycling and walking due to the proposed improvements to cycling and walking routes, which should support people in leading healthier lifestyles. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS9 and CS1.1 in order to fully meet this objective. Consider adding recognition that elements from Access and Environment sections of the policy also contribute to Health and Wellbeing Consider adding reference to allotments 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The support for new businesses and existing for jobs, enhancement of tourism (which can also provide facilities for residents) and a vitalised and viable town centre advocated in this policy should all contribute to the vibrancy and inclusiveness of Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale in particular. Local issues will be addressed and the area's strengths such as tourism and the high quality environment will be built on under this policy.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding more specific reference to supporting the vibrancy, inclusivity and open-mindedness of settlements in the east other than Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale • Consider adding reference to allotments 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity except within the Arnsdale and Silverdale AONB. However, the policy does aim to improve the network of green spaces in the area and to safeguard and enhance the natural environment. Moderate development is proposed for the east area particularly in the Key Service Centres of Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale, much of which will be around the edges of settlements where towns and villages meet the wider countryside. The area is home to the Arnsdale and Silverdale AONB and to a high quality landscape, including other designated sites; the area is also adjacent to the Morecambe Bay SAC so there is potential for harm to wildlife and loss of habitat.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species, habitats and geological features that are important but not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • This policy will need to be supported by wider initiatives by partner organisations and national and international policies as well as policies CS1.1, CS8.1 and CS8.5 in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to allotments 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character except in the Arnside and Silverdale AONB, however, it does aim to improve green spaces in the area and to safeguard and enhance the natural environment as well as protecting a series of green gaps including at Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale. Moderate development is proposed for the east area particularly in the Key Service Centres of Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale, much of which will be around the edges of settlements where towns and villages meet the wider countryside, thus, there is potential for harm to the quality and character of the landscape. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as landscape assessments in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding specific reference to conserving and enhancing the landscape 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The moderate new development in and around the Key Service Centres of Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale, as well as other villages and hamlets under this policy will provide some opportunities to improve the built environment, for example in the re-use of existing buildings and the use of brownfield land. This policy also seeks to promote high quality contemporary design to protect and enhance the character and local distinctiveness of the area, as well as improving environmental characteristics and the network of green spaces. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.2, CS8.7 and CS8.8 in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding specific reference to Conservation Areas, for example, the recent appraisals and forthcoming management plans as well as the value of Conservation Areas to the characters of those settlements with such a designation • Consider adding reference to allotments 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> <p>This policy seeks to improve public transport, cycling and walking routes in the east area, all of which should contribute to improving local air quality and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. However, the moderate development that is proposed under this policy for the east area is likely to increase the numbers of businesses and residents and thus increase the numbers of journeys and vehicles on the area's roads. This policy does not specifically seek to promote renewable energy or energy efficiency, though the moderate development proposed could provide opportunities for such measures under other policies.</p>	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need the support of other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 in order to fully meet this objective • Consider including how the vision for the east area peninsula will contribute to addressing climate change. 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or resources. The moderate development proposed for Kirkby Lonsdale and Milnthorpe as well as more modest development in other settlements in the area means that more pressure will be put on water resources and water infrastructure/wastewater works and there will be greater potential for water pollution from construction and from new businesses. This is particularly relevant in the east area due to the presence of the Arnsdale and Silverdale AONB and the proximity of the Morecambe Bay SAC. Development of greenfield land will decrease the area of land available for water to soak away and could increase the potential for flooding.</p>	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new developments • Consider adding recognition of the fact that some settlements may need additional water infrastructure capacity in order to grow 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil. Moderate development is proposed for the area under this policy, much of which will result in the expansion of the Key Service Centres and other settlements beyond their existing boundaries, thus, moderate greenfield land take-up will be required. However, this policy will facilitate opportunities for the use of brownfield land and existing buildings. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will require the support of other policies such as CS3.2 and CS6.6 in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste or encourage recycling. The moderate development under this policy will require minerals to be used for construction and will generate increased waste during construction and throughout the operational life of developments as increased numbers of residents and businesses will result in more waste. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 and the work of Cumbria County Council as the authority dealing with waste disposal and minerals in order to meet this objective. Mutual support with local/wider waste management and recycling/composting initiatives will also be necessary to encourage people to create less waste and recycle more Consider adding reference to non-transport aspects of infrastructure such as waste. 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	Primarily L/U but with wider benefits
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The development, retail, tourism and accessibility initiatives planned for the east area under this policy will help to support existing jobs and enable new business start-ups in the area by raising skills levels and creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. Tackling local transport issues and allowing for small-scale economic development in Local Service Centres will also support businesses and industries in the area. Development in the Key Service Centres of Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale should benefit not only residents of these settlements but residents of the wider area and visitors alike.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to provide development to enable new business start-ups in the east area and to support existing jobs. It also seeks to address transport and accessibility issues and provide improved public transport and a wider choice of sustainable modes of transport including walking and cycling routes all of which should help to improve people's physical access to jobs. The policy also seeks improvements to the education infrastructure although some aspects of practicable access, involving barriers other than physical limitations to accessing jobs, such as securing suitable childcare and obtaining the right skills will need to be addressed primarily by other policies and initiatives.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of new development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> <p>The development, retail, tourism and accessibility initiatives planned for the east area under this policy will help to support existing jobs and enable new business start-ups in the area by raising skills levels and creating an attractive and vibrant environment in which businesses and industries can thrive and be mutually supportive and interactive. Tackling local transport issues and thus improving access and travel times and options will also support existing businesses and industries and attract new ones. Allowing for small-scale economic development in Local Service Centres will further support businesses and industries in the area.</p> <p>The area's existing features and strengths, such as the high quality environment and attractiveness for tourism will be built upon, again attracting new businesses to the town and helping to retain existing employers. All these aspects will contribute to strengthening and diversifying the local economy.</p> <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS6 Housing to meet local need CS6.1 Meeting the housing requirement					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. Under this policy, focusing housing development in the settlements where most facilities, services and transport opportunities are available should help to facilitate people’s involvement in democratic processes.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees’ responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy will focus new housing in settlements where access to services, facilities and transport is greatest, taking into account both settlement capacity and local need. It means that most residents of new housing should be within walking distance of day-to-day services whilst other services will be accessible by sustainable forms of transport. Due to the rural nature of the district, residents generally have easy access to the countryside, even for those without their own transport.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help ensure that local housing needs are met across the district by allocating sites for residential development in Principal, Key and Local Service Centres but also allowing development in smaller settlements outside services centres so that their particular needs can also be met. It will help to address issues of affordability as locally as possible. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. Policies relating to the provision of higher quality employment opportunities will also support this policy in meeting this objective by helping to reduce the house price : income ratio. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst it is difficult to establish a direct link between this policy and this objective, housing development focused in locations where infrastructure is already in place should mean that people will be aware of and can access opportunities to improve their skills, education and training more readily. This policy will also help to support existing educational establishments, for example, small village primary schools by ensuring housing development to meet local needs is allowed in smaller settlements, helping them to remain viable by enabling more young families to remain living in villages rather than having to leave to find homes in more affordable locations. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The approach set out in this policy will help to ensure that levels and types of residential development in particular settlements are appropriate to meet local needs in that vicinity and in accordance with the capacity of the area to take more development. Addressing problems relating to housing affordability should improve people's health and feelings of well-being for example, in that living in unsuitable accommodation can have a negative impact on both physical and mental health and being unable to afford a home despite working hard or being forced to move away from family or your home village/town due to house prices can be depressing and cause upset and distress. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will help to enable local people to remain living in their home village or town and thus help local services and facilities such as shops and schools to remain viable. It will also help to ensure that the housing needs of a range of societal groups are met locally. This in turn will help to ensure that communities retain and develop vibrancy, inclusivity and open-mindedness. Indirectly, this policy could also help to retain a strong sense of local history as people who might have lived in a community for a long time and that might have otherwise had to move away due to housing affordability or the need for a particular type of housing, will have the choice to stay.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, it does aim to ensure that residential development is within settlements' capacity to support such development. This should help to ensure that the impact of development on biodiversity and geodiversity is minimised, though care will need to be taken to ensure that this is the case.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 or referring specifically to 'infrastructure and environmental capacity' rather than just 'capacity'. 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, it does aim to ensure that residential development is within settlements' capacity to support such development. This should help to ensure that the impact of development on the landscape is minimised, though care will need to be taken, for example, through employing high quality, appropriate design to ensure that this is the case.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 or referring specifically to 'infrastructure and environmental capacity' rather than just 'capacity'. 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Significant residential development should present opportunities for improving the built environment whether through complimentary design of new build or through the sympathetic reuse and refurbishment of existing buildings. However, there is also potential for unsympathetic development to be harmful to the character of the existing built environment.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS6.6, CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D & L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not, in itself, seek to address the issues considered in NR1, however, it does seek to distribute residential development in line with settlements' capacity to support it and thus most new homes will be in locations where services and facilities and transport options alternative to the private car are most readily accessible. This should reduce people's need to travel and enable them to choose more sustainable means of transport when they do need to travel. However, significant residential development will generate greater densities of traffic, which could cause further reductions in air quality at existing trouble spots as well as creating new ones. In addition, people living in KSCs, LSCs and rural settlements/areas will always have to travel to larger settlements for certain services and facilities.</p> <p>The significant housing development proposed may present opportunities for renewable energy and energy efficiency to be integrated as this is often more viable on larger developments; this is less likely to be the case in KSCs and other smaller settlements.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>New housing development is likely to increase demands on water resources and sewage infrastructure. This policy does however aim to ensure that development takes place in accordance with the capacity of settlements.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new developments • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 or referring specifically to 'infrastructure and environmental capacity' rather than just 'capacity'. 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	U – primarily in and around PSCs, KSCs and LSCs
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil. Significant residential development is proposed under this policy, much of which will result in the expansion of settlements beyond their existing boundaries, thus, significant greenfield land take-up will be required. However, this policy does seek to facilitate the use of brownfield land and existing buildings in providing at least 30% of all new dwellings and also seeks to ensure that the amount of development any settlement receives is within its capacity to accommodate that development. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective, including CS6.6 • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 or referring specifically to ‘infrastructure and environmental capacity’ rather than just ‘capacity’. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to meet this objective. However, ensuring that the scale of residential development is in line with settlements’ capacity to grow may have the benefit of meaning that the majority of residents of new homes do not have to travel far to reach recycling and waste disposal facilities/civic amenity sites as these are most readily available in larger villages and towns and also that waste and recycling collection services do not have to cover such great distances in order to collect every household’s waste/recyclables. However, new development and an increased population will increase the amount of waste generated in the district overall and will require minerals/aggregate for construction. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS6.6, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 or referring specifically to ‘infrastructure and environmental capacity’ rather than just ‘capacity’. 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The significant residential development planned under this policy will help to support existing jobs by helping to ensure that local workers can afford to stay in the area and that those who have left the area to undertake higher education can afford to return and thus, raise local employers confidence in maintaining their workforce into the future. This policy will help to create new employment opportunities in the construction industry. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Ensuring that the scale of residential development is in line with settlements' capacity to grow may have the benefit of meaning that the majority of residents of new homes do not have to travel far and have the best access to a variety of modes of transport, helping them to secure physical access to jobs. Aspects of practicable access, involving barriers other than physical limitations to accessing jobs, such as securing suitable childcare and obtaining the right skills will need to be addressed primarily by other policies and initiatives.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The significant residential development planned under this policy will help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by helping to ensure that local workers can afford to stay living and working in the area, providing security in the workforce for employers and that those who have left the area to undertake higher education can afford to return and apply their skills whether in existing businesses or by initiating business-start ups.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS6 Housing to meet local need CS6.2 Dwelling mix and type					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. Under this policy, ensuring that people have access to homes that meet their needs in terms of the right type of home in the right location for their needs should help to facilitate people's involvement in democratic processes.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy will help to ensure that people have access to homes that meet their needs in terms of the right type of home in locations where their service and facility needs are met.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to ensure that people have access to the type of home that meets their needs and that people will not have to move away from their home town or village in order to secure a suitable home. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other CS6 policies • The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. • Policies relating to the provision of higher quality employment opportunities will also support this policy in meeting this objective by helping to reduce the house price : income ratio. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst it is difficult to establish a direct link between this policy and this objective, ensuring that a mix of dwelling types are available should mean that people will be more easily able to stay living in their home communities rather than having to leave to find homes in more affordable locations. This in turn should help particularly smaller, rural educational facilities including schools and community centres to remain viable. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The approach set out in this policy will help to ensure that types of residential development in particular settlements are appropriate to meet local needs. Addressing problems relating to housing, such as enabling people to find suitable accommodation, should improve people's health and feelings of well-being for example, in that living in unsuitable accommodation can have a negative impact on both physical and mental health and being forced to move away from family or your home village/town due to a lack of appropriate housing types e.g. sheltered housing can be upsetting and distressing for those involved. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to enable local people to remain living in their home village or town by providing the right types of home for each settlement based on that settlement's needs and thus will help local services and facilities such as shops and schools to remain viable. It will also help to ensure that communities retain and develop vibrancy, inclusivity and open-mindedness by reducing the likelihood of certain groups such as the elderly or disabled being excluded from areas due to a lack of certain housing types. Indirectly, this policy could also help to retain a strong sense of local history as people who might have lived in a community for a long time and that might have otherwise had to move away due to a lack of appropriate housing, will have the choice to stay. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of housing does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of housing does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of a range of housing types should present opportunities for improving the built environment whether through complimentary design of new build or through the sympathetic and imaginative reuse and refurbishment of existing buildings. However, there is also potential for unsympathetic development to be harmful to the character of the existing built environment. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS6.6, CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D & L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of different housing types does not compromise the District's ability to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of different housing types does not compromise the District's ability to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	U – primarily in and around PSCs, KSCs and LSCs
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of different housing types does not compromise the District's ability to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective, including CS6.6 • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of different housing types does not compromise the District's ability to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS6.6, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of a range of housing types will help to support existing jobs by helping to ensure that local workers can access the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to stay in the area and that those who have left the area to undertake higher education can access the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to return and thus, raise local employers confidence in maintaining their workforce into the future. This policy will help to create new employment opportunities in the construction industry.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of a range of housing types may help to improve access to jobs indirectly by helping to ensure that local workers can access the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to stay living close to their work.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of a range of housing types will help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by helping to ensure that local workers can access the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to stay living and working in the area, providing security in the workforce for employers and that those who have left the area to undertake higher education can access the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to return and apply their skills whether in existing businesses or by initiating business-start ups.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
Comments and Mitigation: (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS6 Housing to meet local need					
CS6.3 Provision of affordable housing / local occupancy housing					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe			L		
Geographic Scale			D		
Cumulative Impact?			No		
Impact Score			+2		
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u>					
It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. Under this policy, helping to ensure that people can afford homes that meet their needs and ensuring that local people have access to local housing should help to facilitate people’s involvement in democratic processes.					
<u>Mitigation</u>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees’ responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe			L		
Geographic Scale			D		
Cumulative Impact?			Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies		
Impact Score			+2		
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u>					
This policy will help to ensure that people can afford homes that meet their needs and ensuring that local people have access to local housing in locations where their service and facility needs are met.					
<u>Mitigation</u>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to ensure that people can afford homes that meet their needs, that local people have access to local housing and that people will not have to move away from their home town or village in order to secure a suitable home. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other CS6 policies • The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. • Policies relating to the provision of higher quality employment opportunities will also support this policy in meeting this objective by helping to reduce the house price : income ratio. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst it is difficult to establish a direct link between this policy and this objective, ensuring that people can afford homes that meet their needs locally should mean that people will be more easily able to stay living in their home communities rather than having to leave to find homes in more affordable locations. This in turn should help particularly smaller, rural educational facilities including schools and community centres to remain viable. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The approach set out in this policy will help to ensure that people can afford homes that meet their needs and that local people have access to local housing. Addressing problems relating to housing, such as ensuring that people can afford homes that meet their needs and that local people have access to local housing, should improve people's health and feelings of well-being for example, in that living in unsuitable accommodation can have a negative impact on both physical and mental health and being forced to move away from family or your home village/town due to a lack of housing they can afford can be upsetting and distressing for those involved. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will help to enable local people to remain living in their home village or town by providing affordable and local occupancy housing based on each settlement's particular needs and thus will help local services and facilities such as shops and schools to remain viable. It will also help to ensure that communities retain and develop vibrancy, inclusivity and open-mindedness by reducing the likelihood of certain groups such as young adults and families being excluded from areas due to issues around housing affordability. Indirectly, this policy could also help to retain a strong sense of local history as people who might have lived in a community for a long time and that might have otherwise had to move away due to a lack of appropriate housing, will have the choice to stay.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of housing does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of housing does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of affordable and local occupancy housing may present some opportunities for improving the built environment. However, there is also potential for innovative design opportunities to be restricted by costs to the developer when building affordable housing and this may reduce the opportunities to support the character of the existing built environment. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS6.6, CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D & L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of affordable and local occupancy housing does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of affordable and local occupancy housing does not compromise and supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	U – primarily in and around PSCs, KSCs and LSCs
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of affordable and local occupancy housing does not compromise and supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective, including CS6.6 • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of affordable and local occupancy housing does not compromise and supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS6.6, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of affordable and local occupancy housing will help to support existing jobs by helping to ensure that local workers can access and afford the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to stay in the area and that those who have left the area to undertake higher education can access and afford the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to return and thus, raise local employers confidence in maintaining their workforce into the future. This policy will help to create new employment opportunities in the construction industry. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of affordable and local occupancy housing should help to improve access to jobs by helping to ensure that local workers can afford accommodation in the area and enable them to stay living close to their work. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of affordable and local occupancy housing will help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by helping to ensure that local workers can access and afford the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to stay living and working in the area, providing security in the workforce for employers and that those who have left the area to undertake higher education can access and afford the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to return and apply their skills whether in existing businesses or by initiating business-start ups. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS6 Housing to meet local need					
CS6.4 Community led affordable housing policy in smaller rural communities					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		R			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+4			
<u>Comments and Mitigation</u>					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, under this policy, helping to ensure that the viability and vitality of rural communities is retained and supported should help to facilitate people’s involvement in democratic processes through the retention of local services and facilities and increased sense of community and inclusiveness.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees’ responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		M			
Geographic Scale		R			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
<u>Comments and Mitigation</u>					
<u>Comments</u> This policy will help to ensure that people can afford homes that meet their needs in their home communities rather than being forced to leave through issues around housing affordability. This will help to retain existing and support the provision of new local services and facilities through the retention of the local population.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to ensure that people from rural areas can afford homes that meet their needs in rural communities and that people will not have to move away from those rural communities in order to secure a suitable home. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other CS6 policies • The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. • CS7.4 on the Rural Economy will also support this policy in meeting this objective by supporting the provision of rural jobs and thus helping to reduce the house price : income ratio in rural areas. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst it is difficult to establish a direct link between this policy and this objective, ensuring that people from rural communities can afford homes that meet their needs locally should mean that people will be more easily able to stay living in those communities rather than having to leave to find homes in more affordable locations. This in turn should help particularly smaller, rural educational facilities including schools and community centres to remain viable. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The approach set out in this policy will help to ensure that local, affordable homes are available to people from rural communities. Addressing problems relating to housing, such as ensuring that people can afford homes that meet their needs in their local area should improve people's health and feelings of well-being for example, in that being forced to move away from family or your home village/town due to a lack of affordable housing can be upsetting and distressing for those involved. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes. Over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will help to enable local people to remain living in rural communities by providing affordable housing based on each settlement's particular needs and thus will help local services and facilities such as shops and schools to remain viable. It will also help to ensure that rural communities retain and develop vibrancy, inclusivity and open-mindedness by reducing the likelihood of certain groups such as young adults and families being excluded from rural areas due to issues around housing affordability. Indirectly, this policy could also help to retain a strong sense of local history as people who might have lived in a rural community for a long time and that might have otherwise had to move away due to a lack of appropriate housing, will have the choice to stay.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of housing in rural communities does not compromise the wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity in rural areas.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, however, it does seek to ensure that housing schemes demonstrate good design and are sympathetic to the area and that they are appropriate in terms of scale and style – this should help to ensure minimal negative impacts on the landscape and provide opportunities to enhance or complement the landscape. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of housing in rural communities does not compromise the high quality landscapes of our rural areas.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of affordable housing in rural communities may present some opportunities for improving the built environment. This policy seeks to ensure that housing schemes demonstrate good design and are sympathetic to the area and that they are appropriate in terms of scale and style – this should help to ensure minimal negative impacts on the built environment and provide opportunities to enhance or complement the existing built environment. However, there is also potential for innovative design opportunities to be restricted by costs to the developer when building particularly smaller scale affordable housing schemes and care will need to be taken to ensure that this does not reduce opportunities to support the character of the existing built environment.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS6.6, CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D & L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as cumulative total of development increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of affordable housing in rural areas does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of affordable housing in rural areas does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of affordable housing in rural communities does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective, including CS6.6 • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of affordable housing in rural communities does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS6.6, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of affordable housing in rural communities will help to support existing jobs by helping to ensure that local workers can access and afford the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to stay in their home community and that those who have left the area to undertake higher education can access and afford the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to return and thus, raise local employers confidence in maintaining their workforce into the future. This policy will help to create new employment opportunities in the construction industry. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of affordable housing in rural communities should help to improve access to jobs by helping to ensure that local workers can afford accommodation in their home community and enable them to stay living close to their work.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, over time and in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of affordable housing in rural communities will help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by helping to ensure that rural workers can access and afford the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to stay living in the area where they work, providing security in the rural workforce for employers and ensuring that those who have left the area to undertake higher education can access and afford the right type of accommodation locally to enable them to return and apply their skills whether in existing businesses or by initiating business-start ups.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS6 Housing to meet local need					
CS6.5 Gypsies and travellers and travelling showpeople					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
<u>Comments and Mitigation</u>					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, under this policy, providing gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople with suitable locations to settle (whether temporarily or more permanently) should help to facilitate their involvement in democratic processes through enabling them to access services and facilities and through increased sense of community and inclusiveness.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L-U			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
<u>Comments and Mitigation</u>					
<u>Comments</u> This policy will help to ensure that gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople have access to sites that meet their needs in locations where services and facilities are readily available. It may help support local businesses and thus help ensure that they are retained for use by all.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to ensure that gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople have access to sites that meet their needs and that are in suitable locations, where and when demand/need requires such provision. It will not help to provide other groups with homes.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies - the provisions of this policy should be underpinned by CS1.1 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst it is difficult to establish a direct link between this policy and this objective, ensuring that gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople have access to sites in suitable locations, including where educational facilities are available should mean that opportunities for this group to improve their skills, education and training are more prolific. However, the actual level of provision of these will not be improved as a result of this policy.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The approach set out in this policy will help to ensure that suitable sites for settling (whether temporarily or more permanently) are available to gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople. Addressing a lack of suitable sites where there is a need for them and addressing problems relating to the use of inappropriate sites should improve the health and feelings of well-being of this group as well as for wider society. For example, in that using unsuitable sites where basic infrastructure, services and facilities are not in place can result in unpleasant conditions for those living there and others living nearby.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to ensure that suitable sites for settling (whether temporarily or more permanently) are available to gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople in locations where services and facilities are readily accessible and thus should help local services and facilities such as shops and schools to remain viable. It will also support the District in retaining and developing vibrancy, inclusivity and open-mindedness by enabling this particular section of society to integrate with settled communities.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the number of sites increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople does not compromise the wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity in the District.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as t number of sites increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, however, it does seek to ensure that the provision of sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople includes appropriate screening to minimise negative impacts on the landscape. However, there is potential for sites of this nature to compromise certain localities and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of sites for this group does not compromise the high quality landscapes of the District.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the number of sites increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Provision of sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople may present some opportunities for improving the built environment. This policy seeks to ensure that the provision of such sites has only an acceptable impact on the environment and character of the area – this should help to ensure minimal negative impacts on the built environment and provide opportunities to enhance or complement the existing built environment. However, there is potential for sites of this nature to compromise certain localities and care will need to be taken to ensure that this does not reduce opportunities to support the character of the existing built environment.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS6.6, CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel, however, the provision of suitable sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople that meet their needs in locations where services, facilities and infrastructure are available should help to reduce their need to travel, for example, in order to find appropriate sites. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of sites for this group does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources but will add to the demand made on existing water resources and as such care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider being more explicit about infrastructure including potential impact on water resources and waste e.g. for no. 6 add "without unacceptable impact on water supply capacity and waste management infrastructure". 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective, including CS6.6 • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision of sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS6.6, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider being more explicit about infrastructure including potential impact on water resources and waste e.g. for no. 6 add "without unacceptable impact on water supply capacity and waste management infrastructure". 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Provision of sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople in locations where services and facilities are readily available should help to support existing jobs by increasing demand for local services. This policy seeks to provide for those gypsies, travellers and particularly travelling show people that have established business links in the area.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Provision of sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople primarily in Key Service Centres should help to ensure that jobs are physically accessible to these groups. Aspects of practicable access, involving barriers other than physical limitations to accessing jobs, such as securing suitable childcare and obtaining the right skills will need to be addressed primarily by other policies and initiatives.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Provision of sites for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople, particularly those with established business links in the area will help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by helping to support existing businesses and bringing different skills to the area.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS6 Housing to meet local need					
CS6.6 Making effective and efficient use of land and buildings					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D-U			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
<u>Comments and Mitigation</u>					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, this policy should help to ensure that greater numbers of people live in locations where services and facilities including transport links are readily available. This in turn should help to facilitate involvement in democratic processes through enabling people to access services and facilities more easily and through increased inclusiveness.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D-U			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
<u>Comments and Mitigation</u>					
<u>Comments</u> This policy should help to ensure that greater numbers of people live in locations where services and facilities including transport links are readily available, this in turn should mean that people have better access to services, facilities, the countryside and open spaces.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> By advocating the efficient use of land, this policy will help to ensure that more dwellings can be provided for less land take-up. This in turn will make meeting the housing need easier with the land available. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other CS6 policies • The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. • Policies relating to the provision of higher quality employment opportunities will also support this policy in meeting this objective by helping to reduce the house price : income ratio. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst it is difficult to establish a direct link between this policy and this objective, building the greatest densities of housing in locations where services and facilities including transport links are readily accessible should mean that people will have better access to educational and training facilities. Nevertheless, this policy does not in itself seek to improve the quantity or quality of skills, education or training. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The approach set out in this policy will help to ensure that the greatest densities of new homes are located where health facilities are most readily available and easily accessible whether by proximity or by transport links. In addition, this policy seeks to make best use of brownfield/previously-developed land, which can be unsightly and unattractive, thus improving the look of communities. These factors support the improvement of health and wellbeing. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The approach set out in this policy will help to ensure that the greatest densities of new homes are located where services and facilities including transport links are most readily available and easily accessible whether by proximity or by transport links. This should help to improve inclusivity, vibrancy and activeness in communities, in particular, the Key and Principal Service Centres. In addition, this policy seeks to make best use of brownfield/previously-developed land, which can be unsightly and unattractive, thus improving the look of communities and increasing the sense of community pride. The adaptive re-use of existing, often older buildings, could help to reinforce a sense of local history by drawing attention to particular buildings and their original functions as well as restoring, replicating or highlighting historic features.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of such sites developed increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the re-use of brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings, which can have high biodiversity value, does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, however, the re-use of brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings should help to ensure that unattractive, derelict sites are brought back into appropriate use, which should in turn help to complement the landscape. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the re-development of brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of such sites developed increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Re-development of brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings should present key opportunities for improving the built environment by ensuring that unattractive, contaminated or under-utilised sites are re-used appropriately, efficiently and in a way that complements the townscape. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS6.6, CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of such sites developed increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel, however, the re-development of brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings should present opportunities to make use of renewable technologies and improve the energy efficiency of existing buildings. This policy aims to locate higher density developments in locations where services and facilities including transport links are most readily available and easily accessible; this should help to reduce the need for people to travel. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the re-development of brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources and care will need to be taken to ensure that the re-development of brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings does not compromise and supports the District's efforts to meet this objective, particularly as high density developments can place significant demands on local water supply/sewerage infrastructure.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of such sites developed increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to support this objective in that it will ensure that the most efficient use is made of land, reducing land take-up and that opportunities to re-use/re-develop brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings are taken wherever possible and maximised. It may also present opportunities to remediate contaminated land. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of such sites developed increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling in the broad sense, however, by the very nature of this policy it does seek to do this in terms of land and building materials. For example, by re-using brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings, they are effectively being recycled, in the re-use/re-development of existing buildings; building materials are also recycled, reducing the need for new minerals. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the re-use/re-development of brownfield/previously-developed land and existing buildings does not compromise and supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS6.6, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding recognition of the fact that this policy will contribute to minimising waste of building materials 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will mean that the greatest densities of new properties are in locations where most jobs and transport links exist and thus will help to ensure that there is a local workforce, close to where jobs are, raising employer confidence in the area in terms of an available workforce. This policy will also play a part in supporting the provision of jobs in the construction industry and should increase demand for skills around innovative design. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will mean that the greatest densities of new properties are in locations where most jobs and transport links exist and thus a greater number of people will be able to live where they are close to their employment whether by proximity or via transport links. This will support physical access to jobs, however, aspects of practicable access, such as having the right skills or suitable childcare arrangements will need to be addressed through other policies and the work of other organisations. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of such sites developed increases
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will mean that the greatest densities of new properties are in locations where most jobs and transport links exist and thus will help to ensure that there is a local workforce, close to where jobs are, raising employer confidence in the area in terms of an available workforce. It may also help to strengthen the local economy through the improving the look of the area through the innovative and adaptive re-use of brownfield/previously developed sites and existing buildings, which may increase the area's attractiveness for businesses and tourism. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS7 Jobs, skills and regeneration					
CS7.1 Meeting the employment requirement					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
<u>Comments and Mitigation</u>					
<u>Comments</u>					
It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		0			
<u>Comments and Mitigation</u>					
<u>Comments</u>					
This policy does not, in itself, seek to improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces. However, it may have indirect effects as a stronger economy may give more people (e.g. by improved incomes or through providing a wider choice of jobs to better suit different lifestyles/needs) access to certain facilities, the countryside and open spaces.					
<u>Mitigation</u>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will assist in providing everyone with a decent home by helping to ensure the availability of a range of employment opportunities, which in turn should help to increase the average income and thus improve the affordability of homes meaning that more people will be able to afford homes that are suited to their needs. It should be borne in mind that retaining people in the area who might otherwise have left due to a lack of suitable employment opportunities or by attracting people to the area with new jobs could actually further increase the need for housing. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by CS6 policies • The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. • Other CS7 policies relating to the provision of higher quality employment opportunities will support this policy in meeting this objective by helping to reduce the house price : income ratio. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy should help to raise the level of skills, education and training by providing land for new employers to come to the area that could provide training schemes and develop links with local educational establishments. The availability of skilled jobs in the area might encourage people to undertake training in order to qualify for such jobs, in addition, local people who left the area to gain higher education qualifications might be more able to return and apply their skills locally rather than staying away to find skilled work. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as other CS7 policies, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not seek to improve health or wellbeing in itself, the provision of new employment opportunities under this policy should help to improve people's health and sense of wellbeing by increasing average incomes and thus reducing the house price : income ratio. A wider choice of jobs should also enable people to find work that suits their circumstances, helping them to achieve a better work/life balance. Although unemployment in South Lakeland is low, it may also provide opportunities of work for those who are unemployed, thus increasing self-esteem and reducing inequalities based on income. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> <p>The key benefits of this policy to this objective relate to money. The provision of land to provide new jobs will have indirect benefits to community vibrancy, activity and inclusivity in that average incomes should be raised. People with greater disposable income often have greater opportunities to play an active role in community/cultural events than those with lower incomes.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> <p>Significant development is required to meet the employment needs of the district and there is therefore potential for employment development to have significant negative impacts on biodiversity and geodiversity. This policy does seek to encourage employment development proposals to improve the quality of the environment in the area of the proposal. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that employment development does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 Consider altering last paragraph to refer to 'required' rather than encouraged. Consider also referring to protecting and where possible enhancing environment but using 'improving' in relation to signage, security and accessibility 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites increases
Impact Score	-2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Significant development is required to meet the employment needs of the district and due to the lack of land within towns, much development will need to take place on the edge of towns on greenfield sites. There is therefore potential for employment development to have significant negative impacts on the quality and character of the landscape. This policy does seek to encourage employment development proposals to improve the quality of the environment in the area of the proposal. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that employment development does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met • Consider altering last paragraph to refer to 'required' rather than encouraged. Consider also referring to protecting and where possible enhancing environment but using 'improving' in relation to signage, security and accessibility 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Significant development is required to meet the employment needs of the district and as such there is potential for employment development to have a negative effect on the built environment, particularly as this type of development is often significant in size and can consist of particular types of buildings. However, the bulk of these developments are likely to be in predominantly commercial areas/industrial estates where all development is of similar architectural ilk and thus negative effects should be limited.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider altering last paragraph to refer to 'required' rather than encouraged. Consider also referring to protecting and where possible enhancing environment but using 'improving' in relation to signage, security and accessibility • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel, however, the development of employment sites should present opportunities to make use of renewable technologies and energy efficiency measures. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources. New employment development is highly likely to increase demands on water resources and sewage infrastructure. Construction techniques, location and the use-type proposed are also factors in the level of impact new employment development will have on local water quality and resources. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise and supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of such sites developed increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil. Significant development is required to meet the employment needs of the district and due to the lack of available land within towns, much development will need to take place on the edge of towns. It is therefore likely that employment development will require significant take-up of greenfield land and thus, there is potential for damage to be caused to land and soil. However, there are also some opportunities to help restore damaged / remediate contaminated land. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites developed increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. New employment development will increase the amount of commercial waste generated in the district overall and will also require minerals/aggregate for construction. Greater numbers of employment areas/sites will also require increased infrastructure to collect and deal with the waste. Recycling collections for commercial properties are only currently available through private companies, not the Council. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to retain existing jobs by providing sites for existing businesses to expand/relocate to if needed as well as encouraging new businesses and thus new employment opportunities to the area by providing a range of sites for employment development <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites developed increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to improve access to jobs by helping to ensure that there is a range of different employment opportunities across the District to meet different people's skills and the needs of different people's circumstances. Practicable aspects of access to jobs will need to be addressed through other policies and initiatives. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites developed increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to provide new employment sites, providing for a wider choice and higher quality of jobs across the District, whilst enabling existing businesses to expand and diversify and attracting new businesses, including local start-ups as well as those relocating from elsewhere/adding additional branches. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS7 Jobs, skills and regeneration					
CS7.2 Type of employment land required and sectoral split					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u>					
It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u>					
This policy does not, in itself, seek to improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces. However, it may have indirect effects as a stronger economy may give more people (e.g. by improved incomes or through providing a wider choice of jobs to better suit different lifestyles/needs) access to certain facilities, the countryside and open spaces.					
<u>Mitigation</u>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will assist in providing everyone with a decent home by helping to ensure the availability of a range of employment opportunities, including high quality B1 employment, which in turn should help to increase the average income and thus improve the affordability of homes meaning that more people will be able to afford homes that are suited to their needs. It should be borne in mind that retaining people in the area who might otherwise have left due to a lack of suitable employment opportunities or by attracting people to the area with new, jobs could actually further increase the need for housing. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by CS6 policies • The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. • Other CS7 policies relating to the provision of higher quality employment opportunities will support this policy in meeting this objective by helping to reduce the house price : income ratio. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy should help to raise the level of skills, education and training by attracting new employers to the area that could provide training schemes and develop links with local educational establishments. The increased availability of skilled jobs in the area might encourage people to undertake training in order to qualify for such jobs, in addition, local people who left the area to gain higher education qualifications might be more able to return and apply their skills locally rather than staying away to find skilled work. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as other CS7 policies, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not seek to improve health or wellbeing in itself, the provision of land for new, higher quality employment opportunities should help to improve people's health and sense of wellbeing by increasing average incomes and thus reducing the house price : income ratio. A wider choice of jobs and increased number of skilled jobs should also enable people to find work that suits their circumstances and qualifications, helping them to achieve a better work/life balance. Although unemployment in South Lakeland is low, it may also provide opportunities for those who are unemployed, increasing self-esteem and reducing inequalities based on income. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The key benefits of this policy to this objective relate to money. The provision of land to provide new jobs will have indirect benefits to community vibrancy, activity and inclusivity in that average incomes should be raised. People with greater disposable income often have greater opportunities to play an active role in community/cultural events than those with lower incomes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the take up of land for employment increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Significant development is required to meet the employment needs of the district and there is therefore potential for employment development to have significant negative impacts on biodiversity and geodiversity. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the take up of land for employment development does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the take up of land for employment increases
Impact Score	-2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Significant development is required to meet the employment needs of the district and due to the lack of land within towns, much development will need to take place on the edge of towns on greenfield sites. There is therefore potential for the take up of land for employment development to have significant negative impacts on the quality and character of the landscape. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the take up of land for employment development does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the take up of land for employment increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Significant development is required to meet the employment needs of the district and as such there is potential for employment development to have a negative effect on the built environment, particularly as this type of development is often significant in size and can consist of particular types of buildings. However, the bulk of these developments are likely to be in predominantly commercial areas/industrial estates where all development is of similar architectural ilk and thus negative effects should be limited.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel, however, the development of employment sites, particularly for high quality B1 uses, should present opportunities to make use of renewable technologies and energy efficiency measures. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the take up of land for employment increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources. New employment development is highly likely to increase demands on water resources and sewage infrastructure. Construction techniques, location and the use-type proposed are also factors in the level of impact new employment development will have on local water quality and resources. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise and supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the take up of land for employment increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil. Significant land take up is required to meet the employment needs of the district and due to the lack of available land within towns, much development will need to take place on the edge of towns, thus, there is potential for damage to be caused to land and soil. However, there may also some opportunities to help restore damaged / remediate contaminated land. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the take up of land increases
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. New employment development will increase the amount of commercial waste generated in the district overall and will also require minerals/aggregate for construction. Greater numbers of employment areas/sites will also require increased infrastructure to collect and deal with the waste. Recycling collections for commercial properties are only currently available through private companies, not the Council. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites developed increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy will help to retain existing jobs by providing sites for existing businesses to expand/relocate to if needed as well as encouraging new businesses and thus new employment opportunities to the area by providing a range of sites for employment development, including higher quality B1 uses	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites developed increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy will help to improve access to jobs by helping to ensure that there is a range of different employment opportunities across the District to meet different people's skills and the needs of different people's circumstances. Practicable aspects of access to jobs will need to be addressed through other policies and initiatives.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as the total number of sites developed increases
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to provide land for new employment development, providing for a wider choice and higher quality of jobs across the District, whilst enabling existing businesses to expand and diversify and attracting new businesses, including local start-ups as well as those relocating from elsewhere/adding additional branches.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS7 Jobs, skills and regeneration CS7.3 Education and skills					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, under this policy, supporting the improvement of education, skills development and training should help to increase participation in democratic processes as high participation rates are often linked to higher educational attainment.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to improve access to educational and training services & facilities. There may also be indirect effects as educational facilities often generate and support facilities (whether on site or in the wider community) that can be used by other groups within the community such as leisure facilities.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will assist in providing everyone with a decent home by helping to raise the level of educational attainment and skills, which in turn should help to improve people's chances of securing permanent jobs and better paid employment, which will increase the average income and thus improve the affordability of homes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by CS6 policies • The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. • Other CS7 policies relating to the provision of higher quality employment opportunities will support this policy in meeting this objective by helping to reduce the house price : income ratio. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to improve the level of skills, education and training for example through investment in existing facilities, supporting the development of further and higher educational facilities and through supporting links between businesses and education establishments. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as other CS7 policies, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not seek to improve health or wellbeing in itself, the enhancement of provision of educational and training opportunities should help to improve people's health and sense of wellbeing by increasing skills and qualification levels and thus increasing average incomes, which in turn will reduce the house price : income ratio and improve people's opportunities for community involvement and access to health and other services and facilities. Improved education and training can also increase people's self-esteem generally. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The enhancement of provision of educational and training facilities will have indirect benefits to community vibrancy, activity and inclusivity in that average income should be raised and in that involvement in educational and training establishments often links to involvement in wider community activities. People with greater disposable income often have greater opportunities to play an active role in community/cultural events than those with lower incomes. Education and training is also often linked to open-mindedness, for example about other cultures and may present opportunities to support a sense of local history, for example, courses could be run on the topic.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision and enhancement of educational and training facilities does not compromise the wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity in the District. However, where educational and training courses relate to biodiversity/geodiversity, there is clearly scope for this objective to be supported.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 Consider adding reference to supporting/facilitating and recognising the value of the use of open spaces, the coast, the countryside, wildlife and built heritage as an educational resource 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision and enhancement of educational and training facilities does not compromise the high quality landscapes in the District. However, where educational and training courses relate to landscape, there is clearly scope for this objective to be supported. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met • Consider adding reference to supporting/facilitating and recognising the value of the use of open spaces, the coast, the countryside, wildlife and built heritage as an educational resource 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment and care will need to be taken to ensure that the provision and enhancement of educational and training facilities does not compromise the built environment in the District. However, where educational and training courses relate to the built environment, there is clearly scope for this objective to be supported. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. • Consider adding reference to supporting/facilitating and recognising the value of the use of open spaces, the coast, the countryside, wildlife and built heritage as an educational resource 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel, however, the provision and enhancement of educational and training facilities should present opportunities to educate and raise awareness of renewable technologies and energy efficiency measures and how to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality as many subjects now incorporate sections on how that topic relates to these issues. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of educational and training facilities does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources. New/larger educational and training establishments are may increase demands on water resources and sewage infrastructure. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise and supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil. However, the policy does make provision for the re-use of redundant school sites, enabling the provision of a new development without the need for greenfield land take-up. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the enhancement or provision of educational and training facilities does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. New educational and training establishments may increase the amount of waste generated in the district overall and may also require minerals/aggregate for construction. Such facilities will also require additional infrastructure to collect and deal with the waste. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development of employment sites does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will help to retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities by raising the educational and skills levels in the District, helping to ensure a workforce with a varied and strong skills base. New and enhanced educational and training facilities will also provide new additional jobs,</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will help to improve access to jobs by helping to ensure that there is a workforce with a strong and varied skills base, meaning that people will be less likely to be prevented from accessing permanent and/or well-paid employment due to a lack of qualifications. Other practicable aspects of access to jobs and physical access issues will need to be addressed through other policies and initiatives.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy seeks to provide enhanced and new educational and training facilities, helping to ensure that there is a workforce with a strong and varied skills base. This should enable existing businesses to expand and diversify and may also attract new businesses, including local start-ups as well as those relocating from elsewhere/adding additional branches as employers become aware of the stronger more varied skills base amongst the workforce.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS7 Jobs, skills and regeneration CS7.4 Rural economy					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		R			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
<u>Comments and Mitigation</u>					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, under this policy, the provision of broadband in rural areas in particular should help to facilitate people’s involvement in democratic processes by improving opportunities to participate in consultations and other government/council initiatives online.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees’ responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		M-L			
Geographic Scale		R			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy should help to improve access to services and facilities in rural areas through the development of rural business hubs and other new rural business enterprises. Access to the countryside from rural areas is generally very good by default, however, formal open spaces can be lacking in smaller rural settlements; this will need to be addressed through other policies.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by other policies including CS8.1, CS8.2, CS8.3, CS8.4, CS9.1 and CS10.1					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to ensure that rural people can afford suitable homes in rural communities by supporting and diversifying the rural economy and providing new and increased job opportunities in rural areas, both of which should help to increase rural incomes, thus increasing the affordability of rural housing. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective by CS6 policies • The concept of decent housing is also determined by high quality, sustainable design; this aspect will be addressed primarily through policies such as CS8.8. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy should help to meet this objective in rural areas in particular as it specifically seeks to enhance training on traditional land based skills and on geological and environmental topics. In addition, the strengthening and diversification of the rural economy generally has potential to present training opportunities as new businesses may train people up to do particular jobs. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The approach set out in this policy will help to address some of the inequalities of living in rural areas for example, raising average incomes in rural areas will contribute to addressing further problems such as a lack of housing affordability and poor access to services and facilities. Addressing these problems should improve people's health and feelings of well-being for example, in that being forced to move away from family or your home village/town due to a lack of affordable housing can be upsetting and distressing for those involved and finding it difficult to access appropriate health care or leisure facilities can impact negatively on physical and mental health. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will help to enable local people to remain living in rural communities by providing new, varied local jobs and thus will help local services and facilities such as shops and schools to remain viable. It will also help to ensure that rural communities retain and develop vibrancy, inclusivity and open-mindedness by reducing the likelihood of certain groups such as young adults and families being excluded from rural areas due to issues around a lack of suitable jobs and housing affordability. Indirectly, this policy could also help to retain a strong sense of local history as people who might have lived in a rural community for a long time and that might have otherwise had to move away due to a lack of appropriate local jobs and the resulting housing unaffordability, will have the choice to stay.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a number of other policies and initiatives in order to fully meet this objective. These include the area strategies and CS9 policies. 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, and care will need to be taken to ensure that development/extension of rural enterprises does not compromise the wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity in rural areas.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 Consider being more explicit in reference to recognising the environment as a critical driver in the local economy and the need to protect the environment as a means of supporting the local economy Consider adding reference to value of rurally based industries other than agriculture to the local economy e.g. water, mining, forestry, renewables and countryside and wildlife management 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, however, it does stipulate requirements that will help to ensure that rural business and diversification initiatives will have minimal negative impacts on the landscape and provide opportunities to enhance or complement the landscape. Care will need to be taken to ensure that the development/extension of rural enterprises does not compromise the high quality landscapes of our rural areas.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met • Consider being more explicit in reference to recognising the environment as a critical driver in the local economy and the need to protect the environment as a means of supporting the local economy • Consider adding reference to value of rurally based industries other than agriculture to the local economy e.g. water, mining, forestry, renewables and countryside and wildlife management 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Development and expansion of business and employment in rural communities may present some opportunities for improving the built environment. This policy seeks to ensure that such schemes use existing buildings where possible and only create new buildings where the new enterprise is directly related to agricultural business – this should help to ensure minimal negative impacts on the built environment and provide opportunities to enhance or complement the existing built environment. However, there is also potential for innovative design opportunities to be restricted by costs to the developer when building particularly smaller scale affordable housing schemes and care will need to be taken to ensure that this does not reduce opportunities to support the character of the existing built environment.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS6.6, CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. • Consider being more explicit in reference to recognising the environment as a critical driver in the local economy and the need to protect the environment as a means of supporting the local economy 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel, however, by providing more and varied jobs in rural areas, the need for people to travel for work should be reduced and opportunities may be provided for the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency measures. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the development/extension of rural enterprises does not compromise but supports efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to value of rurally based industries other than agriculture to the local economy e.g. water, mining, forestry, renewables and countryside and wildlife management 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the development/extension of rural enterprises does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider being more explicit in reference to recognising the environment as a critical driver in the local economy and the need to protect the environment as a means of supporting the local economy • Consider adding reference to value of rurally based industries other than agriculture to the local economy e.g. water, mining, forestry, renewables and countryside and wildlife management 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil; however, it does encourage the use of existing buildings and the avoidance of new build development on previously undeveloped sites, which should contribute to protecting land and soil by minimising the uptake of greenfield land. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the development/extension of rural enterprises does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective, including CS6.6 • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. • Consider being more explicit in reference to recognising the environment as a critical driver in the local economy and the need to protect the environment as a means of supporting the local economy 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling; however, the re-use of existing buildings will contribute to minimising the use of new minerals products. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the development/extension of rural enterprises does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS6.6, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to value of rurally based industries other than agriculture to the local economy e.g. water, mining, forestry, renewables and countryside and wildlife management 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to retain existing employment and create new employment opportunities in rural areas by retaining and expanding appropriate businesses, re-using existing buildings for employment uses, providing live-work units or rural business hubs and through the diversification of the agricultural economy. These aims should all contribute directly to the retention of existing jobs in rural areas whilst also providing opportunities and incentives for new employment. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to support existing employment provision and to create new employment opportunities in rural areas. This should mean that people in rural areas have improved access to a greater range of local jobs and do thus not have to travel to larger settlements for work. Aspects of practicable access to jobs such as having the right skills or suitable childcare arrangements will need to be addressed through other policies and the work of other organisations. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	R
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to diversify and strengthen the rural economy by building on the businesses that already exist in rural areas as well as providing opportunities for new businesses to start-up in rural areas. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS7 Jobs, skills and regeneration CS7.5 Town centre and retail strategy					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, supporting the wider viability and vitality of town and village centres should facilitate opportunities for people to be further involved in democratic processes.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		M-L			
Geographic Scale		D-U			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+4			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> Development of town and village centres with regards retail and other town centre uses is likely to improve overall access to services and facilities for residents of Key and Local Service Centres in particular but for those living in the catchment areas and wider hinterlands also. This policy also seeks to promote accessibility of town centres and improved parking arrangements, both of which should improve accessibility to services and facilities. Improvements to the built environment under this policy should help to improve access to open spaces. Issues of access may still remain for rural residents, especially those without their own transport.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to provide everyone with a decent home. However, there may be some indirect benefits in that having more vibrant and viable town and village centres may help to raise average incomes by supporting the local economy and by increasing the number and range of jobs available. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training. There may be some indirect benefits through the development of retail provision and through other efforts to improve the vitality and viability of town and village centres, which may provide some on-the-job training opportunities. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The wider regeneration implications of this policy for Key and Local Service Centres such as improvements to the built environment, better accessibility and an improved pedestrian environment and increased vitality and viability should all contribute to the health and sense of wellbeing of particularly residents of Key and Local Service Centres but also for residents of other areas of South Lakeland and visitors from further afield. Accessibility and parking management initiatives might help to reduce traffic emissions and the build up of fumes in particular areas, which could in turn help to reduce the negative effects of poor air quality on people's health. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The wider regeneration implications of this policy for Key and Local Service Centres such as improvements to the built environment, better town centre management and increased retail and office provision should all contribute to increasing the vibrancy and inclusiveness of town and village centres, this may benefit the residents of Key and Local Service Centres primarily but those from further afield also, as well as visitors. Ensuring that new town and village centre development respects architectural and historic interests and assets will help to maintain a strong sense of local history.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies (with the exception of CS8.6) as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, and care will need to be taken to ensure that development in and improvements to town and village centres does not compromise biodiversity and geodiversity.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 Consider expanding on recognition of environment improvements by including reference to public realm, importance of open spaces etc 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, however, as the objectives sought through this policy relate to settlement centres only, they should have minimal, if any negative impacts on the landscape. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that development in and improvements to town and village centres does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met Consider expanding on recognition of environment improvements by including reference to public realm, importance of open spaces etc 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to improve the quality of the built environment through better town centre management, improvements to the pedestrian environment, improved accessibility and by ensuring that development respects the character of town and village centres. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the development in and improvements to town and village centres does not compromise the built environment in the District. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce the need to travel, however, through the town and village centre improvements and development under this policy, opportunities may be provided for the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency measures. Improvements to town and village centre accessibility may contribute to reducing the need to travel by private car and thus may help to improve air quality, particularly in Kendal. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the development in and improvements to town and village centres does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources, and care will need to be taken to ensure that the development in and improvements to town and village centres does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil; however, it may provide opportunities for the re-use of existing buildings and brownfield land, which should contribute to protecting land and soil by minimising the need for the uptake of greenfield land elsewhere. It may also support the provision of new open spaces through improvements to the built environment. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that the development in and improvements to town and village centres does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling and care will need to be taken to ensure that the development in and improvements to town and village centres does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Development of town and village centres with regards retail and other town centre uses will help to retain existing jobs by increasing the vitality and viability of town and village centres as well as helping to create new employment opportunities by attracting new retailers and other businesses to the town through better town centre management, improvements to the built environment and better accessibility and parking arrangements. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to improve access to jobs by improving access to town and village centres as well as improving parking arrangements whilst also providing increased town centre office space and new retail provision. Aspects of practicable access to jobs such as having the right skills or suitable childcare arrangements will need to be addressed through other policies and the work of other organisations. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to diversify and strengthen the economy by building on the retail and other businesses that already exist in town and village centres as well as providing opportunities for new retail and other businesses to start-up in rural areas. Improving accessibility to town centres, improving parking arrangements, better town centre management and improvements to the built environment under this policy should also contribute to strengthening the local economy by making town and village centres more attractive to locals and visitors alike. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

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Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS7 Jobs, skills and regeneration CS7.6 Tourism development					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		M-L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to improve tourist attractions and tourism infrastructure. Tourism facilities and infrastructure often provide and support services that are also of benefit to the local public and thus this policy should help to improve access to services, facilities, the countryside and open spaces for locals and visitors alike.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objectiveConsider adding supporting/lobbying train and bus service providers to integrate services in order to provide better for the tourist economy, focusing particularly on links that serve or support key tourist movement routesConsider adding support for leisure and tourism travel infrastructure improvements such as cycle paths and footpaths, particularly those that form key links between bus/train stations and the main tourist attractions					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to provide everyone with a decent home. However, there may be some indirect benefits in that enhancing and expanding tourism attractions and infrastructure will help to ensure that jobs related to tourism are retained, meaning that people's incomes and thus their means of buying/renting and running a home are more secure. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training. There may be some indirect benefits through the development and expansion of tourism attractions, facilities and infrastructure, which may provide some training opportunities. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to improve tourist attractions and tourism infrastructure, including high quality sports and recreation facilities. Tourism facilities and infrastructure often provide and support services and facilities that are also of benefit to the local public and thus this policy should help to improve opportunities for healthy lifestyles, for example, through the provision of new walking and cycle routes and opportunities for activities that promote well-being such as community events. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy seeks to improve tourist attractions and tourism infrastructure. Tourism facilities and infrastructure often provide and support services, facilities, activities and events that are also of benefit to the local public and thus this policy should contribute to increasing the vibrancy and inclusiveness of communities. Architectural and historic interests and assets, which are of interest to tourists, are likely to be supported and promoted under this policy and it should therefore help to maintain a strong sense of local history.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies (with the exception of CS8.6) as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, however, it does aim to ensure that tourism development will be of a scale appropriate to its location. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that development, expansion and enhancement of tourism attractions and infrastructure does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 Consider adding recognition of the value of biodiversity, geodiversity, landscape, culture and heritage to the tourism economy and reference to the need to protect and enhance these assets in order to support this sector 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, however, it does aim to ensure that tourism development will be of a scale appropriate to its location. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that development, expansion and enhancement of tourism attractions and infrastructure does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met • Consider adding recognition of the value of biodiversity, geodiversity, landscape, culture and heritage to the tourism economy and reference to the need to protect and enhance these assets in order to support this sector 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment, however, the enhancement and expansion of tourism facilities is likely to present opportunities to do so and in addition, the policy does aim to ensure that tourism developments are located where the environment can accommodate the impact. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that development, expansion and enhancement of tourism attractions and infrastructure does not compromise the built environment in the District.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. • Consider adding recognition of the value of biodiversity, geodiversity, landscape, culture and heritage to the tourism economy and reference to the need to protect and enhance these assets in order to support this sector 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	-2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce the need to travel. Whilst this policy does seek to improve infrastructure for tourism, which should include improved transport links, it also recognises that some tourist attractions and facilities are location specific and may not be able to be located in places where public transport is available. In addition, the very nature of tourism is that people travel; tourism brings extra vehicles into the area. Care will need to be taken to ensure that development, expansion and enhancement of tourism attractions and infrastructure does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding supporting/lobbying train and bus service providers to integrate services in order to provide better for the tourist economy, focusing particularly on links that serve or support key tourist movement routes • Consider adding support for leisure and tourism travel infrastructure improvements such as cycle paths and footpaths, particularly those that form key links between bus/train stations and the main tourist attractions 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources and care will need to be taken to ensure that development, expansion and enhancement of tourism attractions and infrastructure does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil; however, it should provide some opportunities for the re-use or expansion of existing facilities. Care will need to be taken to ensure that development, expansion and enhancement of tourism attractions and infrastructure does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling and care will need to be taken to ensure that development, expansion and enhancement of tourism attractions and infrastructure does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities by supporting and enhancing tourism facilities, attractions and infrastructure, which in turn will support tourism as a key part of the District's economy. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy seeks to improve tourist attractions and tourism infrastructure, this should include transport infrastructure serving the tourism industry, which will also benefit the local public. Thus this policy should help to improve access to jobs through improve transport opportunities. Tourism facilities are often in rural areas and areas away from other employment provision since tourism attractions are often location specific. As such, this policy may help to provide some jobs in locations where there are no or few other local employment opportunities. Aspects of practicable access to jobs such as having the right skills or suitable childcare arrangements will need to be addressed through other policies and the work of other organisations. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by developing new and supporting and enhancing existing tourism facilities, attractions and infrastructure, which in turn will support tourism as a key part of the District's economy. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

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Uncertain	?				
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CS7 Jobs, skills and regeneration					
CS7.7 Opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve access to services, facilities, the countryside or open spaces and care will need to be taken to ensure that taking up opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to provide everyone with a decent home. However, this policy will help to achieve the 'decent' aspect of home provision through the promotion of the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency measures. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, it should help to facilitate this through generating demand for new skills in the area in relation to the low carbon economy. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve peoples' health and sense of well-being, however, there are likely to be some indirect benefits in that this policy should help people to feel reassured that action is being taken to combat climate change and it's potential effects as well as helping to make peoples' homes cheaper to run/easier to keep warm in terms of electricity/gas consumption. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history, however, there may be some opportunities for community-based renewable energy schemes to support this objective. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that taking up opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies (with the exception of CS8.6) as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD, which includes guidelines on community involvement in wind projects, and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it • Consider specific reference to support for community owned renewables projects • Consider adding reference to building on South Lakeland's renewables (primarily hydro) heritage 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, however, this policy will help to contribute to combating climate change and it's wider impacts, which include effects on biodiversity. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that taking up opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	-2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, and people can see renewable energy development as a threat to the landscape. However, this policy will help to contribute to combating climate change and it's wider impacts, which include effects on the landscape. Care will need to be taken to ensure that taking up opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment, however, the promotion of renewable energy and energy efficiency does contribute to the objective through opportunities for sustainable design, sustainable construction and low impact operation throughout the life of buildings. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to meet aspects of this objective by promoting both micro, medium and larger/commercial scale nuclear and renewable energy opportunities as well as energy efficiency measures. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to building on South Lakeland's renewables (primarily hydro) heritage • Consider adding support in principle for green/eco business park 	

Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources and care will need to be taken to ensure that taking up opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil and care will need to be taken to ensure that taking up opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling and care will need to be taken to ensure that taking up opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities, it should help to facilitate this through generating demand for supply chain links in the area in relation to energy and the low carbon economy. This will help to build on and support existing related businesses as well as attracting the start-up of new local business and the relocation to the area of existing related businesses from further afield.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. Consider adding support in principle for green/eco business park 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs, it should help to facilitate this through it's contribution to increasing the number and range of jobs available. It will not however, be able to improve physical access or aspects of practicable access to jobs such as having the right skills or suitable childcare arrangements; these will need to be addressed through other policies and the work of other organisations.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. Consider adding support in principle for green/eco business park 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to diversify and strengthen the local economy, it should help to facilitate this through generating demand for supply chain links in the area in relation to energy and the low carbon economy. This will help to build on and support existing related businesses as well as attracting the start-up of new local business and the relocation to the area of existing related businesses from further afield.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective Consider adding support in principle for green/eco business park 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment CS8.1 Green infrastructure					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe			L		
Geographic Scale			D		
Cumulative Impact?			No		
Impact Score			0		
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe			L		
Geographic Scale			D		
Cumulative Impact?			Yes, in conjunction with other policies		
Impact Score			+4		
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to protect and improve green infrastructure. This will include the countryside and open spaces as well as green and blue corridors, which often provide key walking and cycling routes within and between settlements. As such, this policy will have a district positive impact on meeting this objective by providing more and better quality green, open spaces but also by providing and enhancing accessibility.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to contribute to providing everyone with a decent home and care will need to be taken to ensure that providing homes does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects, by other policies such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training and care will need to be taken to ensure that providing homes does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as network grows
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Green Infrastructure is well documented and supported by Primary Care Trusts as a key contributor to maintaining and improving people's health and sense of wellbeing. Among other things, it helps to maintain a healthy wider environment, including cleaner air, helps people to feel and get closer to nature and escape the built up, man-made environments and it provides opportunities for outdoor recreation and exercise. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as network grows
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Green Infrastructure is well documented as a key contributor to the development and maintenance of vibrant, active and inclusive communities. Green Infrastructure provides opportunities for a range of activities from quiet contemplation to large cultural community events. Green Infrastructure can also contribute significantly to the feel and setting of buildings, places or whole settlements and thus can also contribute to maintaining a sense of local history.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies (with the exception of CS8.6 Coast) as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as network grows
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to protect and enhance biodiversity in particular through the provision and enhancement of Green Infrastructure. This will help to provide new, enhance existing and create links between habitats to support biodiversity.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as network grows
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to ensure that development compliments and helps to protect the landscape, including the setting of settlements.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as network grows
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to ensure that Green Infrastructure forms an integral part of sustainable communities and that high standards of environmental design are achieved. This policy also recognises the importance of Green infrastructure within and between settlements and to their setting and character. The multi-functional nature of Green Infrastructure means that this policy will have many benefits for the built environment.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as network grows
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Green Infrastructure is well documented as a key contributor to improving local air quality. Another potential benefit is that Green Infrastructure often provides key walking and cycling routes within and between settlements, thus providing safe, pleasant alternatives to journeys in private cars. It can also have a positive impact on the local effects of greenhouse gas emissions by soaking up CO₂.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as network grows
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Green Infrastructure is well documented as a key contributor to improving local water quality. Provision of green infrastructure reduces run-off and provides a store for water, thus helping to reduce flooding. Green infrastructure can improve the filtering of water through the soil and the increase in vegetation as a result of this policy should also help to improve water quality.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies and as network grows
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Green Infrastructure could provide opportunities to make positive use of derelict or otherwise under-utilised land and will also play a key part in restoring and protecting open green spaces, green corridors and other tracts of land for the benefits they bring and in their own right. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or to create new employment opportunities. However, the provision and improvement of Green Infrastructure may help to retain existing employers and attract new ones particularly those in the tourism industry, by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive. It may also present opportunities for new job creation in the environmental sector. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider adding specific recognition of the value of green infrastructure in supporting the local economy and it's potential to help enhance it • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs. However, Green Infrastructure often provides key walking and cycling routes within and between settlements, which may help to provide physical access to jobs. Aspects of practicable access to jobs such as having the right skills or suitable childcare arrangements; these will need to be addressed through other policies and the work of other organisations.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Green Infrastructure should help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive aesthetically and in terms of it's multifunctionality e.g. flood risk mitigation and urban cooling, which should support existing businesses, including the tourism industry, and stimulate/attract the start-up of new ones in Green Infrastructure related and other sectors. It may also present opportunities for new job creation in the environmental sector.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective Consider adding specific recognition of the value of green infrastructure in supporting the local economy and it's potential to help enhance it 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment					
CS8.2 Protection and enhancement of landscape and settlement character					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to protect, conserve and enhance the landscape, including features such as woodlands and rivers. As such, this policy will help to provide access to the countryside by ensuring the countryside and the things that give it its character and attractiveness are not lost. Physical access however can not be achieved by this policy.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to contribute to providing everyone with a decent home and care will need to be taken to ensure that providing homes does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects, by other policies such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, it may help to facilitate this by providing new and improved opportunities for environmental education and skills development and training in this topic area. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners • Consider adding reference to value of landscape and character of area as an educational resource 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the health and sense of wellbeing of people. However, the landscape helps people to feel and get closer to nature and escape the built up, man-made environments and it provides opportunities for outdoor recreation and exercise. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Protecting the landscape and its character helps to ensure provision and opportunities for a range of activities that are reliant on the landscape from agriculture and forestry to traditional local community events. The landscape can also contribute significantly to the feel and setting of settlements and thus can contribute to maintaining a sense of local history.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies (with the exception of CS8.6 Coast) as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to contribute to the protection and enhancement of biodiversity and geodiversity through ensuring that development proposals support the special qualities of the National [arks and the Arnside and Silverdale AONB, as well as those of the wider area. The policy also seeks to conserve and enhance special features that contribute to the landscape's character, such as hedgerows, woodlands, hay meadows and rivers and thus will help to safeguard the biodiversity and geodiversity that rely on or relate to these features.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to ensure that landscape quality and character is conserved and enhanced, including the setting of settlements by ensuring that development is informed by and is sympathetic to the distinctive characteristics and features of the landscape.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy primarily seeks to protect and enhance the landscape, it also seeks to protect and enhance settlements' settings and their characters by requiring development proposals to demonstrate how they will protect, conserve and enhance the special qualities and distinctiveness of the area, the setting of settlements and distinctive settlement characters as well as features that contribute to such character. This in turn will help to protect what is special about our built environments and improve areas of the built environment through development.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency or reduce need to travel and care will need to be taken to ensure that protection of the landscape does not compromise or restrict but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources, the protection of the landscape and it's features, including wetlands and rivers, under this policy should contribute to meeting this objective.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will contribute to meeting this objective primarily through the protection of the landscape and the protection of the setting of settlements. This may limit greenfield development, thus protecting land and soil. This policy is unlikely to present opportunities for the restoration of brownfield sites but may help to restore landscape features and parcels of degraded land. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or to create new employment opportunities. However, the protection and enhancement of the landscape and settlement character may help to retain existing employers and attract new ones, particularly within the tourism industry, by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive. It may also present opportunities for new job creation in the environmental sector. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider adding specific recognition of the value of green infrastructure in supporting the local economy and it's potential to help enhance it • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider adding reference to value of landscape and character of area in supporting the local economy 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Protecting and enhancing the landscape should help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive aesthetically, which should support existing businesses and encourage the start-up of new ones particularly those in the tourism industry but also in sectors related to the landscape and other areas. As such, it may also present opportunities for new job creation and skills development in the environmental sector. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective Consider adding reference to value of landscape and character of area in supporting local economy 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment					
CS8.3a & b Open space standards & Quantity of Open Space, Sport and Recreation					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+4			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to increase the quantity and quality of open spaces in line with set accessibility standards and thus will play a key role in increasing provision and thus improving access to open spaces and potentially the wider countryside.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to contribute to providing everyone with a decent home however, it may contribute to the 'decent' element of this objective which relates to ensuring that homes have a reduced environmental impact. Providing open spaces and improving the quality of new will help to ensure that new homes sit better with the wider environment through providing landscaping or mitigation against habitat damage as well as offering residents of such homes a healthier living environment.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects, by other policies such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, it should help to facilitate this by providing new and improved opportunities for environmental education and skills development and training in this topic area.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners Consider adding reference to supporting the better utilisation of school open space sites and sports facilities for the wider public and vice versa Consider adding reference to the value of open spaces and sports facilities as an educational resource 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the health and sense of wellbeing of people. However, open spaces help people to feel and get closer to nature and escape built up environments as well as providing opportunities for outdoor recreation and exercise.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The provision of new and improvement of existing open spaces will contribute significantly to this objective as open spaces have a strong bearing on sense of place as well as providing venues for a wide range of community events and activities and interaction between members of communities. Open spaces can have historic significance and thus their retention and improvement presents opportunities to reinforce a sense of local history.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies (with the exception of CS8.6 Coast) as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to supporting the better utilisation of school open space sites and sports facilities for the wider public and vice versa 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>The provision of new and improvement of existing open spaces will contribute significantly to the biodiversity aspect of this objective as open spaces often provide habitats for wildlife to feed, rest and shelter as well as helping to provide routes along which animals can travel. The provision of more open spaces and the improvement of existing open spaces for their various benefits will therefore support the meeting of this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will help to conserve and enhance landscape quality and character through the provision of new and enhancement of existing open space, which will support the protection of the special character and quality of the area in general as well as providing linkages, in terms of both views into and out of settlements and movement routes, between settlements and the wider landscape.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to improve the quality of the built environment through the provision of new and enhancement of existing open space, which will support the protection of the special character and qualities of the area's built environments as well as providing functions such as urban cooling and flood risk management and aesthetic benefits. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency or reduce need to travel, however, the provision of new and enhancement of existing open spaces should contribute to improving local air quality by increasing the quantity and quality of vegetation cover. Open spaces also include green corridors, which often act as routes for travel by cycle or on foot and thus this policy should also contribute to reducing the need to travel by private car. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 Consider adding reference to the wider benefits of open space as an element of green infrastructure or cross-reference to CS8.1 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Provision of green open space should help to reduce run-off and provide a store for water, thus helping to reduce flooding. Green open space can improve the filtering of water through the soil; the increase in vegetation as a result of this policy should also help to improve water quality. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 Consider adding reference to the wider benefits of open space as an element of green infrastructure or cross-reference to CS8.1 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The provision of new and enhancement of existing open space may present some opportunities to make positive use of underutilised or degraded sites as well as contributing to protecting undeveloped land within settlements as a result of the value attached to open spaces. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to the wider benefits of open space as an element of green infrastructure or cross-reference to CS8.1 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or to create new employment opportunities. However, the provision of new and enhancement of existing open spaces may help to retain existing employers and attract new ones particularly those in the tourism industry, by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive. It may also present opportunities for new job creation in the environmental and sport and leisure sector. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider adding specific recognition of the value of green infrastructure in supporting the local economy and it's potential to help enhance it • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider adding reference to value of open spaces and sports facilities to the tourism economy 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. Open spaces include green corridors, which often act as routes for travel by cycle or on foot and thus this policy may contribute to improving physical access to jobs. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The provision of new and enhancement of existing open spaces should help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive aesthetically, which should support existing businesses and encourage the start-up of new ones, particularly those in the tourism industry but also in sectors related to sport and leisure. As such, it may also present opportunities for new job creation and skills development in the environmental sector. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as others in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective Consider adding reference to value of open spaces and sports facilities to the tourism economy 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment CS8.4 Biodiversity and geodiversity					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		M-L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy will help to improve access to the countryside and open spaces by increasing and improving the natural habitats within them and thus increasing provision.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to contribute to providing everyone with a decent home however, it may contribute to the 'decent' element of this objective which relates to ensuring that homes have a reduced environmental impact. Protecting and enhancing natural habitats as well as requiring new developments to incorporate features of benefit to biodiversity will help to ensure that new homes sit better with the wider environment through habitat creation or mitigation against habitat damage as well as offering residents of such homes a healthier living environment. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects, by other policies such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, it should help to facilitate this by providing new and improved opportunities for environmental education and skills development and training in this topic area. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the health and sense of wellbeing of people. However, being able to see, hear and experience biodiversity and geodiversity is well-known as a strong positive contributor to increasing quality of life and thus increasing particularly mental health as well as general well-being. As such, supporting biodiversity and geodiversity to flourish in the area should contribute positively to this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Supporting biodiversity and geodiversity in the area to flourish will contribute positively to this objective as biodiversity and geodiversity and their contextual spaces often have a strong bearing on sense of place and often can have historic significance and thus their protection and enhancement also presents opportunities to reinforce a sense of local history. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to promote the restoration, protection and enhancement of habitats and areas of biodiversity and geodiversity value and thus will contribute significantly and directly to the achievement of this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to conserve and enhance landscape quality and character through the protection and enhancement of biodiversity and geodiversity features, both of which can contribute significantly to the character of landscapes. This in turn will support the protection of the special character and quality of the area's landscapes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to improve the quality of the built environment through the protection and enhancement of areas that are important for biodiversity and geodiversity. This in turn will support the protection of the special character and qualities of the area's built environments and promote a sense of place, such as the rural feel of areas of Kendal's town centre, as well as providing functions such as urban cooling and flood risk management and aesthetic benefits. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency or reduce need to travel, however, the protection and enhancement of areas that are important for biodiversity in particular should contribute to improving local air quality by increasing the quantity and quality of vegetation cover. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The protection and enhancement of areas that are important for biodiversity in particular should, through increased vegetation cover and protected natural processes, help to reduce run-off and provide a store for water, thus helping to reduce flooding as well as contributing to keeping watercourses pollution free and otherwise healthier. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The protection and enhancement of areas that are important for biodiversity and geodiversity as well as the creation of new habitats should present some opportunities to make more positive use of underutilised or degraded sites as well as contributing to protecting undeveloped land as a result of the value attributed to certain biodiversity and geodiversity sites in particular. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or to create new employment opportunities. However, the protection and enhancement of areas that are important for biodiversity and geodiversity may help to retain existing employers and attract new ones, particularly those in the tourism industry, by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive. It may also present opportunities for new job creation in the environmental sector. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider explicit reference to the value of biodiversity and geodiversity to South Lakeland's economy 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The protection and enhancement of areas that are important for biodiversity and geodiversity should help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive aesthetically, which should support existing businesses and encourage the start-up of new ones, particularly those in the tourism industry but also in sectors related to conservation. As such, it may also present opportunities for new job creation and skills development in the environmental sector. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective Consider explicit reference to the value of biodiversity and geodiversity to South Lakeland's economy 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment CS8.5 Coast					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy should help to improve access to coastal countryside and open spaces by protecting them and thus maintaining provision.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objectiveConsider adding reference to protecting and enhancing coastal access					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to contribute to providing everyone with a decent home however, it may contribute indirectly to the 'decent' element of this objective which relates to ensuring that homes have a reduced environmental impact. Protecting and enhancing natural habitats will help to ensure that new homes sit better with the wider environment through habitat creation or mitigation against habitat damage as well as offering residents of such homes a healthier living environment. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects, by other policies such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, it should help to facilitate this by providing new and improved opportunities for environmental education and skills development and training in this topic area. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the health and sense of wellbeing of people. However, being able to see, hear and experience the coast and it's composite elements can be a strong positive contributor to increasing quality of life and thus increasing particularly mental health as well as general well-being. As such, protecting the coast should contribute positively to this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Supporting and protecting the coast will contribute positively to this objective as coastal areas often have a strong bearing on sense of place and often can have historic significance and it's protection and enhancement also presents opportunities to reinforce a sense of local history. The coast is also often a setting or inspiration for community and individual events and activities.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to promote the restoration, protection and enhancement of coastal habitats and areas and thus will contribute significantly and directly to the achievement of this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will help to conserve and enhance landscape quality and character through the protection and enhancement of coastal areas and features, both of which can contribute significantly to the character of wider landscapes. This in turn will support the protection of the special character and quality of the area's landscapes.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u> This policy will help to improve the quality of the built environment through the protection and enhancement of coastal areas, some of which include settlements or parts of settlements – Grange, Ulverston and Arnside – and thus will affect the built environment. This in turn will support the protection of the special character and qualities of the area's built environments and promote a sense of place, as well as providing functions such as flood risk management and aesthetic benefits.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency or reduce need to travel, however, the protection and enhancement of coastal areas may contribute to improving local air quality by increasing the quantity and quality of vegetation cover.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to protect the quality of water bodies including coastal and transitional waters as well as ensuring appropriate flood risk management.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The protection and enhancement of coastal areas may present some opportunities to make more positive use of underutilised or degraded sites (e.g. Berners and the lido at Grange) as well as contributing to protecting undeveloped land as a result of the value attributed to particular coastal areas in particular but also to the wider benefits of the undeveloped coast. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to potential further and intensified use of Morecambe Bay for marine dredged aggregate 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or to create new employment opportunities. However, the protection and enhancement of the coast may help to retain existing employers and attract new ones, particularly those in the tourism industry, by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive. It may also present opportunities for new job creation in the tourism and environmental sectors. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider adding reference to value of the coast to economy 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The protection and enhancement of coastal areas should help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive aesthetically, which should support existing businesses and encourage the start-up of new ones, particularly those in the tourism industry but also in sectors related to conservation. As such, it may also present opportunities for new job creation and skills development in the environmental sector. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective Consider adding reference to value of the coast to economy 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment CS8.6 Historic environment					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documentsConsider adding that formulation of conservation area management plans will be done in consultation with the public					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy should help to improve access to the countryside and open spaces, specifically those that contain or are adjacent to buildings, features or areas of historic importance as this policy will focus conservation and enhancement efforts in these locations.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to contribute to providing everyone with a decent home however, it may contribute indirectly to the 'decent' element of this objective which relates to ensuring that homes have a reduced environmental impact. Protecting and enhancing natural habitats will help to ensure that new homes sit better with the wider environment through habitat creation or mitigation against habitat damage as well as offering residents of such homes a healthier living environment. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects, by other policies such as CS1.1, CS6 policies and CS8.8 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, it should help to facilitate this by providing new and improved opportunities for education and skills development and training in the heritage topic area. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the health and sense of wellbeing of people. However, being able to see and experience the area's built heritage and it's associated features can be a positive contributor to increasing quality of life and thus increasing particularly mental health as well as general well-being as it promotes a sense of place, history and belonging. As such, protecting the build heritage environment should contribute positively to this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Supporting and protecting built heritage will contribute positively to this objective as historic features and environments often have a strong bearing on sense of place and clearly have historic significance thus reinforcing a sense of local history. The built heritage environment is also often a setting or inspiration for community and individual events and activities.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not seek to promote the protection and enhancement of biodiversity and geodiversity. However, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impacts on this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will help to conserve and enhance the area's built heritage as well as individual heritage features, which can contribute significantly to the character of wider landscapes. This in turn will support the protection of the special character and quality of the area's landscapes.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will help to improve the quality of the built environment through the conservation and enhancement of the area's built heritage. This in turn will support the protection of the special character and qualities of the area's built environments and promote a sense of place. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency or reduce need to travel. However, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.8 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve water quality and water resources. However, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 and CS8.8 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not seek to restore or protect land or soil, the conservation and enhancement of heritage features, buildings and areas may present some opportunities to make more positive use of underutilised or degraded sites or buildings.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or to create new employment opportunities. However, the conservation and enhancement of the built heritage environment may help to retain existing employers and attract new ones, particularly those in the tourism industry, by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive and improving heritage-based attractions. It may also present opportunities for new job creation in the tourism and heritage sectors.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider adding reference to value of the built heritage environment to economy 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs. It is however, unlikely to have any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> The conservation and enhancement of the area's built heritage should help to diversify and strengthen the local economy by contributing to making the environment of the area more attractive aesthetically and by supporting the improvement of heritage-based attractions. This should support existing businesses and encourage the start-up of new ones, particularly those in the tourism industry but also in sectors related to heritage conservation. As such, it may also present opportunities for new job creation and skills development in the environmental and heritage sectors. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective Consider adding reference to value of the built heritage environment to economy 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment					
CS8.7 Sustainable construction, energy efficiency and renewable energy					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve access to services, facilities, the countryside or open spaces and care will need to be taken to ensure that taking up opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy does not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to provide everyone with a decent home. However, this policy will help to achieve the 'decent' aspect of home provision through the promotion of the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency measures. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1 and CS6 policies as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training, it should help to facilitate this through generating demand for new skills in the area in relation to the low carbon economy. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners Consider adding reference to enabling people to live sustainable lifestyles through education (see SA objective questions) 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve peoples' health and sense of well-being, however, there are likely to be some indirect benefits in that this policy should help people to feel reassured that action is being taken to combat climate change and it's potential effects as well as helping to make peoples' homes cheaper to run/easier to keep warm in terms of electricity/gas consumption. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history, however, there may be some opportunities for community-based renewable energy schemes to support this objective. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that taking up opportunities for energy and the low carbon economy does not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies (with the exception of CS8.6 Coast) as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD, which includes guidelines on community involvement in wind projects, and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it • Consider specific reference to support for community owned renewables projects 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, however, this policy will help to contribute to combating climate change and it's wider impacts, which include effects on biodiversity. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that efforts to increase the use of sustainable construction, energy efficiency and renewable energy do not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity.</p>	
<p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	

Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character, and people can see renewable energy development as a threat to the landscape. However, this policy will help to contribute to combating climate change and its wider impacts, which include effects on the landscape. Care will need to be taken to ensure that efforts to increase the use of sustainable construction, energy efficiency and renewable energy do not compromise the District's high quality landscapes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment, however, the promotion of renewable energy and energy efficiency does contribute to the objective through opportunities for sustainable design, sustainable construction and low impact operation throughout the life of buildings. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5, CS8.2 and CS8.8 in order to achieve this objective. • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it • Consider value for improvement of built environment 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to meet aspects of this objective by promoting onsite and decentralised renewable and low carbon energy opportunities as well as energy efficiency measures. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to building on South Lakeland's renewables (primarily hydro) heritage • Consider adding support in principle for green/eco business park 	

Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources and care will need to be taken to ensure that efforts to increase the use of sustainable construction, energy efficiency and renewable energy do not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding 'and water' after 'energy' in first line • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil and care will need to be taken to ensure that efforts to increase the use of sustainable construction, energy efficiency and renewable energy do not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling and care will need to be taken to ensure efforts to increase the use of sustainable construction, energy efficiency and renewable energy do not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to the Wind Energy SPD and that larger wind projects would need to be in accordance with it 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities, it should help to facilitate this through generating demand for supply chain links in the area in relation to energy efficiency and renewable energy. This will help to build on and support existing related businesses as well as attracting the start-up of new local business and the relocation to the area of existing related businesses from further afield.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider adding support in principle for green/eco business park 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs, it should help to facilitate this through its contribution to increasing the number and range of jobs available. It will not however, be able to improve physical access or aspects of practicable access to jobs such as having the right skills or suitable childcare arrangements; these will need to be addressed through other policies and the work of other organisations.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. • Consider adding support in principle for green/eco business park 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Whilst this policy does not specifically seek to diversify and strengthen the local economy, it should help to facilitate this through generating demand for supply chain links in the area in relation to energy and the low carbon economy. This will help to build on and support existing related businesses as well as attracting the start-up of new local business and the relocation to the area of existing related businesses from further afield.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective • Consider adding support in principle for green/eco business park 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment CS8.8 Development and flood risk					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve access to services, facilities, the countryside or open spaces and care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of flood risk does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to provide everyone with a decent home. However, this policy will help to achieve the 'decent' aspect of home provision by helping to ensure that new homes are located so as to avoid or minimise exposure to flood risk. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1 and CS6 policies as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training. It is however unlikely to cause any negative impacts on this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve peoples' health and sense of well-being, however, there are likely to be some indirect benefits in that this policy should help people to feel reassured that action is being taken to reduce flood risk and it's potential effects and thus helping to ensure that people feel safer in their homes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history. Care will need to be taken to ensure that reducing flood risk does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, however, restricting development primarily to areas of the lowest flood risk will help to protect the natural processes of flooding and areas of wetland, supporting the area's water and wetland loving wildlife. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of flood risk does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character. However, this policy will contribute to avoiding the effects of flooding by locating development primarily in the areas of lowest flood risk, thus minimising the need for hard flood defences as well as allowing natural processes to take their course, which should contribute to retaining a more natural environment. However, care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of flood risk does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment, however, the reduction of flood risk is a key element of ensuring a good quality built environment.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.2 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy or energy efficiency or reduce the need to travel and care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of flood risk does not compromise efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	M
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>Whilst directly related to water, in looking to address issues of flooding, this policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or water resources. However, it should present opportunities for the more efficient management of water resources locally and thus may contribute to improving water resources.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil; however, by avoiding flood risk areas for development these areas of land and soil will be protected. However, care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of flood risk does not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling and care will need to be taken to ensure addressing issues of flood risk does not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1, CS8.8 and CS8.10 in order to meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or create new employment opportunities and care will need to be taken to ensure addressing issues of flood risk does not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs and care will need to be taken to ensure addressing issues of flood risk does not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to diversify or strengthen the local economy and care will need to be taken to ensure addressing issues of flood risk does not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment CS8.9 Minerals and waste					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve access to services, facilities, the countryside or open spaces; however, it may assist in ensuring access to recycling facilities. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of minerals and waste does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0

Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to provide everyone with a decent home; however, it may assist in ensuring access to recycling facilities, which will contribute to the 'decent' aspect as this relates to the sustainability of homes. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of minerals and waste does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1 and CS6 policies as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training. It may however present some opportunities for educating people to live more sustainable lifestyles.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve peoples' health and sense of well-being, however, there are likely to be some indirect benefits in that the effective and sustainable management of waste should contribute to minimising the potentially negative impacts of waste on health and well-being, such as smells.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	
Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history. Care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of minerals and waste does not compromise but supports the District's efforts to meet this objective.	
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	

EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, however, effective and sustainable management of waste may help to reduce the potential negative impacts of poor waste management on wildlife, whilst minerals sites and restored landfill sites can provide valuable habitats for wildlife. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of minerals and waste does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve or enhance landscape quality or character. However, effective and sustainable management of waste may help to reduce the potential negative impacts of poor waste management on the landscape, whilst the restoration of ex-landfill sites can provide opportunities to improve landscapes. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of minerals and waste does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	
Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment, however, the sound, efficient and sustainable management of waste is unlikely to compromise efforts to ensure a good quality built environment. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.2 in order to achieve this objective. 	

SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy or energy efficiency or reduce the need to travel, however, the efficient and sustainable management of waste should help to minimise the potentially negative impacts of poor waste management on air quality and improving access to recycling facilities should reduce the need for people to travel in order to recycle. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or water resources, however, the efficient and sustainable management of waste should help to minimise the potentially negative impacts of poor waste management on water quality. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil; however, the efficient and sustainable management of waste and minerals should help to minimise any potential negative impacts of minerals and waste activities on land and soil whilst restored landfill sites can provide enhancement and protection to land and soil. However, minerals sites, existing and those being extended obviously have a negative impact on the protection of land and soil and care will need to be taken to ensure that addressing issues of minerals and waste does not compromise but support the District's efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	

Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to support to the sustainable management of mineral resources, the minimisation of waste and the facilitation of opportunities to recycle and thus should make a significant positive contribution to meeting this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1 and CS8.10 in order to fully meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider fuller cross-reference to MWDF i.e. Core Strategy and Generic Development Control policies (now adopted) as well as Allocations document (not yet adopted) (MWDF includes Kendal as a location for a strategic municipal waste management facility). • Consider adding reference to need in Kendal to relocate HWRC from Canal Head • Consider adding support in principle for the development of new recycling and other sustainable waste management facilities where and as needed 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or create new employment opportunities, however, minerals and waste activities are key employers in Cumbria as a whole and within South Lakeland and the continued development of waste and minerals sites and facilities will help to ensure that existing jobs in these sectors are retained and also that new jobs in the field are created. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs, however, it is unlikely that this policy will impact negatively on efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to diversify or strengthen the local economy, however, minerals and waste activities are key employers in Cumbria as a whole and within South Lakeland and the continued development of waste and minerals sites and facilities will help to ensure that this sector of the economy is strengthened and the introduction of new ways of managing waste may help to diversify the economy also.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS8 Quality environment CS8.10 Design					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		No			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to improve access to services, facilities, the countryside or open spaces; however, it may contribute to ensuring that services and facilities are physically accessible. In any case, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact upon the achievement of this objective.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and CS10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objectiveConsider referring to improving physical access into buildings through design i.e. for facilities and services					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to provide everyone with a decent home; however, it should contribute to the 'decent' aspect as this relates to the sustainability of homes, which is largely determined by elements of design. In any case, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact upon the achievement of this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective, including the 'affordable' and 'decent' aspects of this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1 and CS6 policies as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. • Consider adding reference to sustainable construction and design reducing environmental impact 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training. It may however present some opportunities for educating and enabling people to live more sustainable lifestyles, it may also contribute to increasing demand for the skills required to incorporate sustainable design measures into new developments. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7, CS9.1 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve peoples' health and sense of well-being, however, there may be some indirect benefits in that ensuring good quality design should contribute to supporting aspects of health and well-being, such as designing-out crime. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS9 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history. However, this policy should help to contribute to this objective indirectly by supporting and strengthening sense of place and improving the public realm, for example, by utilising local design traditions, which should support the development and retention of a sense of local history. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective • Consider reference to locally sourced materials, public realm, sense of place and the innovative/adaptive re-use of buildings 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity, however, aspects of design could be incorporated to help mitigate against or avoid negative effects to biodiversity or geodiversity. Nevertheless, care will need to be taken to ensure that employing good quality design makes the most of opportunities to support this objective and does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective • Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-R (and edge of U)
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to ensure that the design of new developments is of a character that maintains or enhances the landscape and thus should contribute positively to this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to ensure that the design of new developments is of a character that maintains or enhances the townscape and that reflects local vernacular tradition where appropriate. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.2 in order to achieve this objective. • Consider adding reference to sustainable construction and design reducing environmental impact • Consider reference to locally sourced materials, public realm, sense of place and the innovative/adaptive re-use of buildings 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy or energy efficiency or reduce the need to travel, however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective and indeed, aspects of design could be employed to reduce energy use/ improve energy efficiency in the operational life of new developments. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to sustainable construction and design reducing environmental impact 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or water resources, however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective and indeed, aspects of design could be employed to reduce water use/increase water efficiency in the operational life of new developments. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to sustainable construction and design reducing environmental impact 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil; however, designing developments in particular ways may offer opportunities to use land more efficiently, for example by designing a house in such a way that it takes up a minimal footprint or designing a property to involve the redevelopment of an existing building. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. • Consider reference to locally sourced materials, public realm, sense of place and the innovative/adaptive re-use of buildings 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to support to the sustainable management of mineral resources, the minimisation of waste or the facilitation of opportunities to recycle, however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective and indeed, aspects of design could be employed to reduce mineral and aggregate use and waste in the construction phase and support the encouragement of recycling by occupants in the operational life of new developments. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1 and CS8.10 in order to fully meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 • Consider adding reference to sustainable construction and design reducing environmental impact 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or create new employment opportunities, It may however contribute to increasing demand for the skills required to incorporate sustainable design measures into new developments and as such the businesses with those skills should be supported, which may help to ensure that existing jobs in the relevant sectors are retained and also that new jobs in the field are created. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs; however, it is unlikely that this policy will impact negatively on efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7, CS9.1 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to diversify or strengthen the local economy, however, it may contribute to increasing demand for the skills required to incorporate sustainable design measures into new developments and as such existing businesses with those skills may expand and new related businesses may be attracted to the area. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS9 Health and wellbeing					
CS9.1 Social and community infrastructure					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, the provision of social and community infrastructure should help to support this objective by providing the facilities and thus opportunities for people to become involved in democratic processes such as voting and public consultations.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees’ responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+4			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to ensure appropriate provision of community and cultural facilities and services through protecting existing and providing new and as such should contribute positively to the achievement of this objective					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and 10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to provide everyone with a decent home. However, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact upon the achievement of this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1 and CS6 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training. It should however contribute positively to this objective indirectly as the provision of community and cultural services and facilities can facilitate opportunities for the running of training courses, workshops and skills development activities by providing the venue and facilities for these to operate. Such facilities also offer opportunities to support schools and colleges to become involved in wider activities such as attending community events, theatre productions, workshops etc. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as those in CS7 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to improve the health and wellbeing of residents through the appropriate provision of a network of community facilities and services, including integrated health care facilities and sport and recreation facilities, which should have a direct, positive impact on the health and well-being and quality of life of residents. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS6, CS7 and CS8 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+4
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will positively contribute to creating vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities by ensuring that communities have the services and facilities they need in terms of both everyday needs and for cultural and leisure activities. This will help to ensure that communities remain viable in their own right whilst providing all sectors of the community with access to a full range of opportunities for sport, the arts, education, health services etc they need to live full, active lives. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity and care will need to be taken to ensure that providing community facilities and services takes opportunities to support and does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve and enhance landscape quality and character and care will need to be taken to ensure that providing community facilities and services takes opportunities to support and does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment, however, it should contribute positively to the achievement of this objective indirectly by enhancing the public realm, contributing to a sense of place and improving people's satisfaction with their neighbourhoods as places to live.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.2 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy or energy efficiency or reduce the need to travel, however, it should contribute positively to the achievement of this objective indirectly as efforts to ensure that communities have adequate provision of the facilities and services they need should reduce the need for people to have to travel to reach such services and facilities and in turn, may help to reduce local greenhouse gas emissions and improve local air quality.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or water resources, however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil; however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to support to the sustainable management of mineral resources, the minimisation of waste or the facilitation of opportunities to recycle, however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1 and CS8.10 in order to fully meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or create new employment opportunities; it should however contribute to retaining existing jobs in community facilities and service sectors as well as creating new jobs in these fields through the increased provision of services and facilities. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	M-L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs; it should however contribute to improving physical access to jobs through the improvements to foot and cycle paths and the provision of safe and pleasant routes between residential areas and areas of employment but also improving practicable access to jobs by increasing the number of jobs in the service and facility sectors. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to diversify or strengthen the local economy; it should however contribute to diversifying and strengthening the local economy by increasing the number and range of services and facilities in the District by ensuring new provision where needed as well as supporting and building upon existing services and facilities. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS9 Health and wellbeing CS9.2 Developer contributions					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, certain developer contributions may help to support this objective by providing facilities for people to become involved in democratic processes such as voting and public consultations.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees’ responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		L			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to ensure new or improved provision of infrastructure, services and community facilities where a new development renders existing provision inadequate or creates a need for the provision of a new type of infrastructure, service or facility. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has created need may only maintain current standards of provision per capita rather than actually increase it.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and 10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to provide everyone with a decent home. However, it should contribute to the 'decent' aspect of this objective by helping to ensure that new homes have access to adequate infrastructure, services and facilities. It should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has created need may only maintain current standards of provision per capita rather than actually increase it. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1 and CS6 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments create a need for facilities for skills development, education and training, these can be secured through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has created need may only maintain current standards of provision per capita rather than actually increase it. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the health and sense of wellbeing of people. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments create a need for facilities for health care and physical activity for instance, these can be secured through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has created need may only maintain current standards of provision per capita rather than actually increase it. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS6, CS7 and CS8 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments create a need for community, cultural and leisure facilities, these can be secured through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has created need may only maintain current standards of provision per capita rather than actually increase it. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to protect and enhance biodiversity or geodiversity. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments compromise biodiversity or geodiversity provision, new provision can be secured or the effects can be mitigated against or avoided through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has caused or is likely to cause harm to biodiversity or geodiversity, it is often a case of damage limitation rather than actually making an improvement on the baseline situation. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve and enhance landscape quality and character. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments compromise the landscape, the effects can be mitigated against or avoided through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has caused or is likely to cause harm to the landscape, it may be more a case of damage limitation rather than actually making an improvement on the baseline situation. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments compromise the built environment, the effects can be mitigated against or avoided through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has caused or is likely to cause harm to the built environment, it may be more a case of damage limitation rather than actually making an improvement on the baseline situation. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.2 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency or reduce need to travel. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments may compromise aspects of this objective, the effects can be mitigated against or avoided through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has caused or is likely to cause harm to air quality or increase greenhouse gas emissions, it may be more a case of damage limitation rather than actually making an improvement on the baseline situation. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1 and CS10 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality and water resources. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments create demand for increased water resources or where they may compromise water quality, new provision can be made and negative effects can be mitigated against or avoided through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has caused or is likely to cause harm to water quality, it may be more a case of damage limitation rather than actually making an improvement on the baseline situation. In addition, where a development has created need for water resource infrastructure contributions may only maintain current standards of provision per capita rather than actually increase it. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore and protect land and soil. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments may compromise land and soil, negative effects can be mitigated against or avoided through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has caused or is likely to cause harm to land and soil, it may be more a case of damage limitation rather than actually making an improvement on the baseline situation. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	L
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste or encourage recycling. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments may compromise aspects of this objective, negative effects can be mitigated against or avoided through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has caused or is likely to result in unsustainable use of mineral resources or will increase waste, it may be more a case of damage limitation rather than actually making an improvement on the baseline situation. In the case of recycling it is also the case that contributions are more likely to maintain recycling rates per capita rather than significantly increase them. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1 and CS8.10 in order to fully meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments create a need for employment related infrastructure, this can be secured through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has created need may only maintain current standards of provision per capita rather than actually increase it. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve access to jobs. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments create a need for accessibility to employment areas, this can be secured through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has created need may only maintain current standards of provision per capita rather than actually increase it. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 and CS10.1 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to diversify and strengthen the local economy. It should however contribute positively to this objective by helping to ensure that where new developments create a need for employment related infrastructure, this can be secured through developer contributions. However, it should be borne in mind that developer contributions where a development has created need may only maintain current standards of provision per capita rather than actually increase it. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy						
<u>Key</u>						
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale		
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L	
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D	
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U	
Negative	-2			Rural	R	
Major Negative	-4					
Uncertain	?					
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)						
CS10 Accessing services CS10.1 Accessing services						
SOCIAL PROGRESS						
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes						
Timeframe			L			
Geographic Scale			D			
Cumulative Impact?			Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score			+2			
Comments and Mitigation						
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, improving access to services and facilities and transport infrastructure should help to support this objective by enabling people to physically get to where activities around democratic processes such as voting and public consultations are being held.						
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees’ responses have contributed to shaping documents						
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces						
Timeframe			L			
Geographic Scale			D			
Cumulative Impact?			Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score			+4			
Comments and Mitigation						
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to improve physical access to services and facilities through improvements to public transport, walking and cycling opportunities, parking and wider accessibility improvements such as rural transport schemes and as such should contribute positively to the achievement of this objective						
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and 10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective						

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to provide everyone with a decent home. However, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact upon the achievement of this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1 and CS6 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training. It should however contribute positively to this objective indirectly as the provision of improved transport infrastructure should improve people's physical access to educational and training facilities, though it is unlikely to contribute to the actual level of provision of education and training facilities. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy should contribute to improving the health and well-being of people by promoting a network of safe cycling and walking routes linking residential areas with key destinations such as employment areas, shops and schools. This should help to support people in walking and cycling and consequently should provide health benefits. Reduced car journeys through increased walking and cycling and the provision of improved public transport options should also help to improve local air quality, thus reducing the impacts of poor air quality on health. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS6, CS7 and CS8 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy will positively contribute to creating vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities by ensuring that communities have the infrastructure, particularly transport infrastructure, they need in order to live full, active lives and in order to be able to meet their needs in their local area.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity and care will need to be taken to ensure that providing new infrastructure to facilitate the accessibility of services takes opportunities to support and does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to conserve and enhance landscape quality and character and care will need to be taken to ensure that providing new infrastructure to facilitate the accessibility of services takes opportunities to support and does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment, however, it should contribute positively to the achievement of this objective indirectly by improving the pedestrian and cyclist experience, enhancing the public realm, contributing to a sense of place and improving people's satisfaction with their neighbourhoods as places to live.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.2 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy or energy efficiency or reduce the need to travel, however, it should contribute positively to the achievement of this objective by providing increased opportunities for people to travel by public transport and on foot or cycle. This in turn should contribute to minimising negative impacts of motor vehicles on air quality.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1 and CS10.2 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or water resources, however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil; care will need to be taken to ensure that providing new infrastructure to facilitate the accessibility of services takes opportunities to support and does not compromise efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to support to the sustainable management of mineral resources, the minimisation of waste or the facilitation of opportunities to recycle, however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1 and CS8.10 in order to fully meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or create new employment opportunities; it should however contribute to retaining existing jobs by ensuring that the area has a good quality transport network as well as creating new jobs by attracting new businesses to the area as a result of the increased provision transport infrastructure, including improvements relating to freight movement. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to improve access; it should contribute significantly to improving physical access to jobs through the improvements to foot and cycle paths and the provision of safe and pleasant routes between residential areas and areas of employment. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to diversify or strengthen the local economy; it should however contribute to diversifying and strengthening the local economy by ensuring that the area has a good quality transport network, building on what the area already has, as well as creating new jobs by attracting new businesses to the area as a result of the increased provision of transport infrastructure, including improvements relating to freight movement. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	

Sustainability Appraisal of Core Strategy					
<u>Key</u>					
Impact		Timeframe		Geographic Scale	
Major Positive	+4	Short Term	S	Local	L
Positive	+2	Medium Term	M	District Wide	D
No Impact	0	Long Term	L	Urban	U
Negative	-2			Rural	R
Major Negative	-4				
Uncertain	?				
<u>Comments and Mitigation:</u> (describe nature of impact; reasons for impact assessment and score; and suggestions for mitigation)					
CS10 Accessing services					
CS10.2 Transport impact of new development					
SOCIAL PROGRESS					
Sustainability Objective SP1: To increase the level of participation in democratic processes					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		0			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> It is accepted that with regards the LDF, the key driver for this objective will be through the SCI and document consultations rather than planning policies themselves. However, ensuring that developments incorporate provision for good access to services and facilities and transport infrastructure should help to support this objective by enabling people to physically get to where activities around democratic processes such as voting and public consultations are being held.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensuring SCI is adhered to in LDF document consultationsDemonstrate that account is being taken of parish plans in Core Strategy preparationProducing clear consultation reports for LDF documents, showing how consultees' responses have contributed to shaping documents					
Sustainability Objective SP2: To improve access to services & facilities, the countryside & open spaces					
Timeframe		L			
Geographic Scale		D			
Cumulative Impact?		Yes, in conjunction with other policies			
Impact Score		+2			
Comments and Mitigation					
<u>Comments</u> This policy specifically seeks to improve physical access to services and facilities through improvements to public transport, walking and cycling opportunities, parking and wider accessibility improvements through considering the need for such improvements when designing/planning new developments.					
<u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.3 and 10.1 and other initiatives in order to fully meet this objective					

Sustainability Objective SP3: To provide everyone with a decent home	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not seek to provide everyone with a decent home. However, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact upon the achievement of this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported in achieving this objective by other policies, such as CS1.1 and CS6 as well as the work of partners, namely housing associations. 	
Sustainability Objective SP4: To improve the level of skills, education and training	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to improve the level of skills, education and training. It should however contribute positively to this objective indirectly as ensuring that new developments, whether they be homes or educational establishments, have good access to the transport network should in turn improve people's physical access to educational and training facilities, though it is unlikely to contribute to the actual level of provision of education and training facilities. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported in meeting this objective through policies such as others in CS7 and CS9.2 as well as the work of partners 	
Sustainability Objective SP5: To improve the health and sense of well-being of people	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy should contribute to improving the health and well-being of people by ensuring that new developments are accessible by means such as on foot and by cycle. This should consequently should provide health benefits. Reduced car journeys through increased walking and cycling and the provision of improved public transport options should also help to improve local air quality, thus reducing the impacts of poor air quality on health. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will be supported by other policies, such as those in CS6, CS7 and CS8 as well as by the work of partners. 	

Sustainability Objective SP6: To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities with a strong sense of local history	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy will positively contribute to creating vibrant, active, inclusive and open-minded communities by ensuring that new developments and wider communities have the accessibility to services and facilities they need in order to live full, active lives and in order to be able to meet those needs in their local area. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by the full range of other policies as well as wider initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
Sustainability Objective EN1: To protect and enhance biodiversity and geodiversity	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to protect or enhance biodiversity or geodiversity and care will need to be taken to ensure that ensuring new developments contribute to a sustainable transport system takes opportunities to support and does not compromise the District's wealth of biodiversity and geodiversity. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies, including CS8.1, CS8.5 and CS9.2 in order to fully meet this objective Ensure that the Core Strategy is clear about the local and wider importance of those species and habitats and geological features that are not fortunate enough to be designated, how they will be protected and to what extent Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective EN2: To conserve and enhance landscape quality and character	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to conserve and enhance landscape quality and character and care will need to be taken to ensure that ensuring new developments contribute to a sustainable transport system takes opportunities to support and does not compromise the District's high quality landscapes <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS8.1 and CS8.2 as well as by landscape assessments in order to ensure this objective is met 	

Sustainability Objective EN3: To improve the quality of the built environment	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D-U
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve the quality of the built environment, however, it should contribute positively to the achievement of this objective indirectly by reducing the impact of new developments on the transport system whilst also aiming to improve accessibility through new development, for example, by incorporating footways and cycle links.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as CS7.5 and CS8.2 in order to achieve this objective. 	
SUSTAINABLE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	
Sustainability Objective NR1: To improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy and energy efficiency and reduce need to travel	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve local air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy or energy efficiency or reduce the need to travel, however, it should contribute positively to the achievement of this objective by ensuring the residents of new developments have opportunities to travel by public transport and on foot or cycle. This in turn should contribute to minimising negative impacts of motor vehicles on air quality.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy will need to be supported by a range of other policies, including CS7.4, CS7.7, CS8.1 and CS10.1 as well as wider initiatives in order to fully meet this objective Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
Sustainability Objective NR2: To improve water quality and water resources	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to improve water quality or water resources, however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective including CS1.1 in order to secure the installation of water use efficiency measures in new development Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	

Sustainability Objective NR3: To restore and protect land and soil	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to restore or protect land and soil; care will need to be taken to ensure that ensuring new developments contribute to a sustainable transport system takes opportunities to support and does not compromise efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy needs to be supported by other policies in order to meet this objective • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2. 	
Sustainability Objective NR4: To manage mineral resources sustainably, minimise waste and encourage recycling	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	No
Impact Score	0
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to support to the sustainable management of mineral resources, the minimisation of waste or the facilitation of opportunities to recycle, however, it is unlikely that this policy will have any negative impact on efforts to meet this objective. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will require support from other policies such as CS1.1 and CS8.10 in order to fully meet this objective. Support from wider initiatives and the work of partners will also be necessary. • Consider adding cross-reference to CS1.1 and CS1.2 	
BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY IN WHICH ALL CAN PROSPER	
Sustainability Objective EC1: To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation <u>Comments</u> This policy does not specifically seek to retain existing jobs or create new employment opportunities; it should however contribute to retaining existing jobs by ensuring that new developments have access to a good quality transport network as well as creating new jobs by attracting new businesses to the area as a result of the improved transport infrastructure available. <u>Mitigation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective. 	

Sustainability Objective EC2: To improve access to jobs	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy specifically seeks to improve access; it should contribute significantly to improving physical access to jobs through improvements to and new provision of foot and cycle paths and improvements to the wider infrastructure including ensuring that new developments are served by and are easily accessible by public transport.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as other initiatives and the work of partners in order to fully meet this objective 	
Sustainability Objective EC3: To diversify and strengthen the local economy	
Timeframe	L
Geographic Scale	D
Cumulative Impact?	Yes, in conjunction with other policies
Impact Score	+2
Comments and Mitigation	
<p><u>Comments</u></p> <p>This policy does not specifically seek to diversify or strengthen the local economy; it should however contribute to diversifying and strengthening the local economy by ensuring that new developments have access to a good quality transport network, building on what the area already has, as well as creating new jobs by attracting new businesses to the area as a result of ensuring that new developments are easily accessible by a range of transport modes.</p> <p><u>Mitigation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy will need to be supported by other policies such as those in CS7 as well as the work of partners and wider initiatives in order to meet this objective 	