

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy BE1 – Contamination and Land Instability</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that development proposals effectively mitigate the impacts of land contamination and instability thus protecting public health and the wider environment by cleaning up of contaminated land and improving environmental quality.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy will have an indirect effect on soils encouraging the cleaning up of contaminated land.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that development proposals effectively mitigate the impacts of land contamination and instability thus protecting the water environment from potential pollution by cleaning up of contaminated land.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy seeks to ensure that development proposals effectively mitigate the impacts of land contamination and thus brings previously

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previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								development land but into efficient use, thus ensuring the prudent use of resources.  Based on the above, the Policy will have a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

### Summary

The Policy seeks to ensure that development proposals effectively mitigate the impacts of land contamination and instability on public health, environmental quality and general amenity. The Policy represents a significant positive effect on the prudent resources and an indirect effect on health, water pollution and soil resources.

The Policy will have no direct relationship on the remaining environmental, economic and social factors.

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<b>Policy BE2 – Renewable and Low Carbon Energy</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

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into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy supports schemes to introduce renewable and low carbon technologies including biomass energy, ground source heat pumps, solar thermal and solar photovoltaics, combined heat and power and district heating.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	Based on the above the policy will have a significant positive effect on reducing emissions associated with climate change but only a neutral effect on reducing energy use by increasing energy efficiency. This is a missed opportunity to develop a co-ordinated energy policy for the Borough.
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

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previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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The Policy supports schemes to introduce renewable and low carbon technologies including biomass energy, ground source heat pumps, solar thermal and solar photovoltaics, combined heat and power and district heating. The policy also sets out the criteria for locations where small scale wind energy proposals will be supported.

The Policy will have a significant positive effect on reducing emissions associated with climate change but only a neutral effect on reducing energy use by increasing energy efficiency. Energy efficiency is an indirect factor contained in Policy BE3 (Sustainable Design and Construction) but **this is a missed opportunity to develop a co-ordinated 'land use' energy policy for the Borough.**

The Policy will have no direct or indirect relationship on the remaining environmental social factors or economic factors.

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<b>Policy BE3 – Sustainable Design and Construction</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that non-domestic buildings meet the BREEAM 'very good' standard.</p> <p>The implementation of this policy may be a deterrent for the delivery of new employment uses and could affect the viability of future employment schemes. However, it is accepted that this will vary depending on the scale and nature of the proposed employment uses. It is considered that the effect of this Policy is considered to be uncertain on this sustainability consideration.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that all new homes are built to recognised and high quality construction standards.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy represents a significant direct positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>This policy seeks to ensure that development contribute to reducing crime and the fear of crime by meeting Secured by Design standards.</p> <p>This will result in a significant direct positive effect on this objective.</p>
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>This policy seeks to ensure that new development is designed to a high standard by meeting minimum design standards and taking account of urban character and local distinctiveness.</p> <p>This will result in a direct significant positive effect on this objective</p>

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promote local distinctiveness and sense of place								
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy seeks to minimise the potential for new development to pollute soil resources. This will result in a significant positive direct effect on this sustainability objective.

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<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy specifically refers to Building Regulation Standards associated with the installation of minimum water efficiency and rain water harvesting systems within new residential developments. A similar minimum standard of water efficiency will be required to be incorporated within commercial buildings as part of the BREEAM 'Very Good' Standard.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a significant adverse effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

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<b>makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car</b>								There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
<b>Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy sets out general principles to ensure that all development proposals adapts and minimise the impact of climate change. This includes setting out minimum standards for the design of new buildings including passive solar design and energy efficiency which will, in turn, result in a reduction in emissions during the construction and the lifetime of new buildings.</p> <p>Based on the above the policy will have a significant positive effect on these sustainability objectives.</p>
<b>Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	
<b>Material Assets</b>								
<b>Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of</b>	0	0	0	0	0	+	+	The Policy does not set out objectives to minimise waste generated during the construction of new buildings and thus a neutral effect is noted.

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recycled materials where possible								However, a positive effect could be obtained by including reference to waste reduction and recycling targets in the policy.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	0	0	0	0	0	+	+	
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

### Summary

Policy BE3 is a wide ranging policy that seeks to ensure that new developments meet recognised and high standards of design and construction including adapting to and minimising the effects of climate change together with addressing crime and the fear and crime. Accordingly, the Policy represents a significant positive effect on water, soils, climatic factors, prudent use of resources, well designed and locally distinctive areas and social factors including crime reduction.

The Policy will have no direct relationship on a number of environmental factors, whilst the effect on economic factors is uncertain. There are no negative effects resulting from this Policy.

The Policy does not set out objectives to minimise or reuse waste generated during the construction of new buildings and thus a neutral effect on material assets is recorded. However, a positive effect could be obtained by including reference to waste reduction and recycling targets in the policy.

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<b>Policy BE4 – Valuing and conserving our Historic Environment</b>							
<b>Economic Factors</b>							
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to sustain and enhance the Borough’s heritage assets by ensuring that development proposals consider their effects on designated and non-designated assets.  Historic buildings make a valuable contribution to the character and sense of place and in turn the attractiveness and vitality of an area. The Policy will have an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Social Factors</b>							
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

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Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to sustain and enhance the Borough's heritage assets by ensuring that development proposals consider their effects on designated and non-designated assets.

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quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place							Historic buildings make a valuable contribution to the character and sense of place of an area and thus will have an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective in the short, medium and longer terms. No further mitigation is considered necessary.
<b>Biodiversity</b>							
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>							
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>							
To protect and improve soil quality	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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<b>Water</b>						
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with these sustainability objectives.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>Air</b>						
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car							
<b>Climatic Factors</b>							
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with these sustainability objectives.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>Material Assets</b>							
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of	-	-	-	-	-	-	

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recycled materials where possible							There is no relationship with these sustainability objectives.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	-	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>							
To protect and enhance the historic environment	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>This Policy seeks to protect and enhance all features of the heritage environmental in the Borough including heritage assets both designated and non-designated.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in a direct significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Landscape</b>							
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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The Policy seeks to protect and enhance the heritage assets, both designated and undesignated together with the character of the historic environment in the Borough. The Policy represents a significant positive effect on cultural heritage and an indirect positive effect on sense of place and the vitality of urban areas.

The Policy will have no direct relationship on the remaining environmental, economic and social factors.

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<b>Policy DS1 – Presumption in favour of Sustainable Development</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other polices to support the economic conditions of the Borough and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other polices to enhance the vitality of the Town Centres and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean,</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that</p>

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safe and pleasant environments								<p>improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other polices to support the provision of new homes in the Borough and preserve economic and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other polices to support access to services across the Borough and preserve environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other polices to support the economic and social conditions of the Borough and preserve environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council</p>

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particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage								<p>intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other polices to support the social conditions of the Borough, enhance economic opportunities and preserve environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other polices to preserve and improve sport and recreational facilities, enhance economic opportunities and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other polices to support the well-designed environments, enhance economic opportunities and preserve environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>

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<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other policies to preserve and enhance biodiversity asset, enhance economic opportunities and preserve social factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other policies to preserve and enhance health facilities, enhance economic opportunities and preserve environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other policies to protect soil resources, support the economic conditions of the Borough and preserve environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objective.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other policies to protect water resources of the Borough, support the economic conditions and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on these objectives.</p>
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	If implemented in line with other policies to reduce the air emission of the Borough, support the economic conditions and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on these objectives.
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	If implemented in line with other policies to reduce energy usage and minimise climate change impacts in the Borough, support the economic conditions and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on these objectives.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other policies to ensure the prudent use of resources in the Borough, support the economic conditions and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on these objectives.</p>
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council's positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other policies to protect and enhance the cultural heritage assets of the Borough, support the economic conditions and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objectives.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy sets out the Council’s positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.</p> <p>If implemented in line with other policies to protect and enhance the landscape character of the Borough, support the economic conditions and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on this objectives.</p>

### Summary

The Policy sets out the Council’s positive approach to Sustainable Development in line with requirements of the NPPF. The policy confirms the Council intention to secure development, without delay, that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the Borough.

If implemented in line with other policies in the Borough and preserve social and environmental factors then the Policy will result in a positive effect on all sustainability objectives.

There are no negative or uncertain effects resulting from this Policy.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy DS2 - Settlement Hierarchy and Roles</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
To enhance the vitality of town centres	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to direct new development to Nuneaton as the primary town but also directs new development to other Town Centres and Local/District Centres at a scale commensurate to the role and function of the settlement.</p> <p>This Policy will have a direct and positive effect on this objective.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to focus new development within or within close proximity of existing centres that will, in turn, result in easy access to services and opportunities.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to focus new development in or adjacent to existing centres, commemorate with the scale of the centre, which will increase the viability and usage of cultural, sport and recreational provision in the Borough.  This Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

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<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to encourage new development within, or close proximity to existing settlements, thus, resulting in significant benefits in terms of reducing the need to travel and making efficient use of existing infrastructure.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective during the life of the Plan.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	

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<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to encourage new development within, or close proximity to existing settlements, which should, indirectly, offer the opportunity to reduce energy uses and emissions,  Based on the above, the Policy is considered to have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.

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<b>Heritage Environment</b>									<b>0</b>
To protect and enhance the historic environment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>	
<b>Landscape</b>									
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>	

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The Policy will have a neutral effect on economic and environmental factors, namely, biodiversity, water resources, soils, material assets, and landscape character as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. There is a uncertain effect on crime and fear of crime,



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<b>Policy DS3 – Development Principles</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to direct new development to sites within the settlement boundaries where there is a positive impact on amenity, environment and infrastructure.</p> <p>Development outside settlement boundaries will be limited to agriculture, forestry, leisure and uses that require a non –urban boundary.</p> <p>This Policy will have a direct and positive effect on this objective.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to focus new development within existing centres that will, in turn, result in easy access to services and opportunities.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to direct new development to sites within the settlement boundaries where there is a positive impact on amenity, environment and infrastructure which will increase the viability and usage of cultural, sport and recreational provision in the Borough.  This Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place								Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy does not address this factor directly but the reuse of brownfield land within existing settlements will protect soil resources.  Based on the above, there is an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.

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<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to encourage new development within existing settlements, thus, resulting in significant benefits in terms of reducing the need to travel and making efficient use of existing infrastructure.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective during the life of the Plan.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	

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<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to encourage new development within existing settlements, which should, indirectly, offer the opportunity to reduce energy uses and emissions.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	Based on the above, the Policy is considered to have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy seeks to encourage new development within existing settlements, thus, resulting in significant benefits in terms of reducing the need to travel and making efficient use of existing infrastructure.

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								Based on the above, the policy will result in a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective during the life of the Plan.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.

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The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to direct new development to existing settlements but also restrict new development outside of settlement boundaries. The Policy will, in turn, maintain the vitality and viability of existing centres, reduce the need to travel and the use of public transport together with reductions in energy usage and emissions. Accordingly, the Policy will result in a significant positive effect on town centre areas, use of resource, air quality and climatic factors together with a positive effect on soils, energy, cultural/sport/recreational resources,

The Policy will have a neutral effect on economic and environmental factors, namely, biodiversity, water resources, soils, material assets, and landscape character as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. There is an uncertain effect on crime and the fear of crime.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy DS4 – Overall Development Needs</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy sets the economic drivers for the Borough until the 2031 by seeking to bring forward at least 107.8 ha <b>(MM09)</b> of new employment land during the plan period.</p> <p>This will represent a significant positive effect on this SA objective during the short to long term.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward new employment land, new dwellings in the Borough during the plan period.</p> <p>Based on the provision of Policy DS 2 and DS 3 the Plan will direct this level of growth to existing settlements result in a positive indirect effect on the vitality of town centres.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward circa at least 14,060 <b>(MM09)</b> new dwellings across the Borough.</p> <p>This policy will contribute to the provision of a decent and affordable home for existing and future residents of the Borough including the gypsy and traveller community.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in a significant positive effect on this Sustainability Objective in the short, medium and longer term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
	0	0				0	0	
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward a scale of development in the Borough during the Plan Period to meet local needs. This will have an indirect impact on access to services for local residents as new facilities will be secured I tandem with the proposals via the requirements of the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information on the type and nature of the development to confirm any correlation between this policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.</p>
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The development of a significant level of new homes and employment opportunities to the Borough will help improve the well-being of the local population and help reduce social exclusion. The Policy will also help provide housing for key workers and therefore provide businesses with a diverse workforce.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents a positive, in-direct, impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not relate directly to this objective but will bring forward economic growth to the Borough which will have an indirect impact on local residents as new facilities will be secured I tandem with the proposals via the requirements of the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	0	0	0	+	+	+	+	<p>The provision of new homes and wider employment opportunities envisaged by the policy will require the provision of support infrastructure and services including health.</p> <p>The delivery of these facilities are likely to be delivered in a phased basis and thus this policy will have neutral effect in the short term.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will have a positive indirect impact on this sustainability objective in the medium to longer term.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward a scale of development in the Borough during the Plan Period to meet local needs. The development is considered to result in new land take for development.</p> <p>No mitigation or enhancement is considered available to address this negative effect.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments,</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The level of growth proposed will result in increased water demand, posing increased pressure on water resources. This might result in increased ground water abstraction and related pollution effects together with a risk of on and off site flooding.</p> <p>Mitigation measures will be required to address this issue and are set out in the IDP.</p>

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redevelopment and refurbishment								Based on the above, and assuming the proposed mitigation is incorporated, this policy will result in a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to bring forward a significant level of employment and housing growth in the Borough during the Plan Period to meet local need, thus, represents a significant positive effect on economic and social factors associated with access to decent and affordable housing for all.

The level of growth can also result in a positive indirect effect on the provision of health facilities, increasing the vitality of town centres and tackling poverty and deprivation.

The Policy will result in a significant effect on loss of soils.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on issues of biodiversity, water resources and the provision of sports/cultural facilities together with material assets, landscape character, climate change, energy use, recycling as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The effect of the policy on Crime and fear of crime is uncertain.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy DS5 – Residential Allocations</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward <u>at least 14,060 (MM09)</u> new dwellings across the Borough. The new residential development will indirectly contribute to the retention of economic activity in the Borough.</p> <p>Based on the above it is therefore concluded that the policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this SA objective.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward new dwellings in the Borough during the plan period. This will include new dwellings in the Town Centre within the Borough.</p> <p>Based on the above it is therefore concluded that the policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this SA objective.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward <u>at least 14,060 (MM09)</u> new dwellings across the Borough.</p> <p>This policy will contribute to the provision of a decent and affordable home for existing and future residents of the Borough including the gypsy and traveller community.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in a significant positive effect on this Sustainability Objective in the short, medium and longer term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward new dwellings in the Borough during the plan period to meet local needs. This will have an indirect impact on access to services for local residents as new facilities will be secured I tandem with the proposals via the requirements of the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour</b>	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information on the type and nature of the development to confirm any correlation between this policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.</p>
<b>Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The development of a significant level of new homes to the Borough will help improve the well-being of the local population and help reduce social exclusion. The Policy will also help provide housing for key workers and therefore provide businesses with a diverse workforce.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents a positive, in-direct, impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not relate directly to this objective but will bring forward new homes in the Borough which will have an indirect impact on local facilities as new facilities will be secured I tandem with the proposals via the requirements of the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	0	0	0	+	+	+	+	<p>The provision of new homes envisaged by the policy will require the provision of support infrastructure and services including health.</p> <p>The delivery of these facilities are likely to be delivered in a phased basis and thus this policy will have neutral effect in the short term.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will have a positive indirect impact on this sustainability objective in the medium to longer term.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward a scale of development in the Borough during the plan period to meet local needs. The development is considered to result in new land take for development.</p> <p>No mitigation or enhancement is considered available to address this negative effect.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments,</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The level of growth proposed will result in increased water demand, posing increased pressure on water resources. This might result in increased ground water abstraction and related pollution effects together with a risk of on and off site flooding.</p> <p>Mitigation measures will be required to address this issue and are set out in the IDP.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
redevelopment and refurbishment								Based on the above, and assuming the proposed mitigation is incorporated, this policy will result in a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
<b>Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Material Assets</b>								
<b>Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the historic environment</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Landscape</b>								
<b>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to bring forward at least 14,060 (MM09) new homes in the Borough between 2011 and 2031 to meet local need, thus, represents a significant positive effect on social factors associated with access to decent and affordable housing for all.

The level of growth can also result in a positive indirect effect on the economic factors, provision of health facilities, increasing the vitality of town centres and tackling poverty and deprivation.

The Policy will result in a significant effect on loss of soils.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on issues of biodiversity, water resources and the provision of sports/cultural facilities together with material assets, landscape character, climate change, energy use, recycling as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The effect of the policy on Crime and fear of crime is uncertain.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy DS6 – Employment Allocations</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward <u>at least 107.8 ha (MM22)</u> of employment land across the Borough. The new employment uses will directly contribute to the retention of economic activity in the Borough.</p> <p>Based on the above it is therefore concluded that the policy will result in a significant direct positive effect on this SA objective.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward new employment uses in the Borough during the plan period. None of the proposed allocations are located in any of the Town Centre areas within the Borough. The new employment uses are of a scale that cannot be accommodated within such centres and will provide a variety and mix of employment opportunities during the plan period.</p> <p>Based on the above it is therefore concluded that the policy will result in a neutral effect on this SA objective.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>pleasant environments</b>								
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>Although not ensuring easy access to all services and facilities the policy will enhance access to opportunities for jobs and training within the Borough.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a neutral effect on this SA objective.</p>
<b>Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour</b>	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information on the type and nature of the development to confirm any correlation between this policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.</p>
<b>Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The development of a significant level of new employment uses to the Borough will help improve the well-being of the local population and help reduce social exclusion by increasing the provision of job opportunities.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents a positive, in-direct, impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The development of new employment uses will not result in a direct effect on the provision of enhanced health or social care facilities or healthy lifestyles.</p> <p>However, the Health Impact Assessment prepared by Ben Cave Associates concludes that "getting people into employment is critically important in reducing inequalities in health" and supports the provision of good quality jobs in the Borough. The policy encourages the provision and enhancement of employment uses that, in turn, will result in an in-direct effect on promoting health lifestyles.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents an indirect positive impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	<p>The Policy seeks to bring forward <u>at least 107.8 ha (MM22)</u> of new employment development in the Borough during the plan period to meet local needs. The majority of the sites identified are on greenfield land.</p> <p>No mitigation or enhancement is considered available to address this negative effect. Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents a significant negative impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The level of growth proposed will result in increased water demand, posing increased pressure on water resources. This might result in increased ground water abstraction and related pollution effects together with a risk of on and off site flooding.</p> <p>Mitigation measures will be required to address this issue and are set out in the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, and assuming the proposed mitigation is incorporated, this policy will result in a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car								Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Material Assets</b>								
<b>Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the historic environment</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Landscape</b>								
<b>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

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The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to bring forward at least 107.8 ha (MM22) of new employment land in the Borough during the plan period to meet local need, thus, represents a significant positive effect on economic factors associated with achieving a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's residents.

The level of growth can also result in a positive indirect effect on the provision of health facilities and tackling poverty and deprivation.

The Policy will result in a significant effect on loss of soils which cannot be mitigated.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on the vitality of town centres, access to services and facilities, issues of biodiversity and water resources together with material assets, landscape character, climate change, energy use, recycling as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The effect of the policy on Crime and fear of crime is uncertain.

There is no relationship with the provision of decent/affordable housing or sports/cultural facilities.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy DS7 –Green Belt</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to release of land from the Green Belt to bring forward new employment uses during the plan period.</p> <p>This will represent a significant positive effect on this objectives during the short to long term.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	-	-	+	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to control the release of land outside large built up areas which will encourage development in town centres thus bringing forward a positive effect in this SA objective in the long term.</p> <p>However, this includes the release of existing green belt land which will have a negative effect on the objective in the short and medium term.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a neutral effect on the vitality of town centres.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to release of land from the Green Belt to bring forward new dwellings across the Borough. The policy will, therefore, contribute to the provision of a decent and affordable home for existing and future residents of the Borough including the gypsy and traveller community.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
pleasant environments								Based on the above, the Policy will result in a significant positive effect on this Sustainability Objective in the short, medium and longer term.
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks the release land from the Green Belt to bring forward a scale of development in the Borough between 2011 and 2031 to meet local needs. This will have an indirect impact on access to services for local residents as new facilities will be secured in tandem with the proposals via the requirements of the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship between the Policy and this SA objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The development of a significant level of new homes and employment opportunities to the Borough will help improve the well-being of the local population and help reduce social exclusion. The Policy will also help provide housing for key workers and therefore provide businesses with a diverse workforce.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents a positive, in-direct, impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship between the Policy and this SA objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	-	-	+	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to restrict the release of Green Belt land, and protect biodiversity habitat, which will bring forward a positive effect in this SA objective in the long term.</p> <p>However, this includes the release of existing green belt land which will have a negative effect on the objective in the short and medium term.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a neutral effect on the vitality of town centres.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship between the Policy and this SA objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	--	--	--	--	+	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to restrict the release of Green Belt land, and protect soil, which will bring forward a positive effect in this SA objective in the long term.</p> <p>However, this includes the release of existing green belt land which will have a significant negative effect on the objective in the short and medium term.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a neutral effect on the soils.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The level of growth proposed will result in increased water demand, posing increased pressure on water resources. This might result in increased ground water abstraction and related pollution effects together with a risk of on and off site flooding.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								Mitigation measures will be required to address this issue and are set out in the IDP.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Based on the above, and assuming the proposed mitigation is incorporated, this policy will result in a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
<b>Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Material Assets</b>								
<b>Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>To ensure the prudent use of resources</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	-	-	-	-	+	0	0	The Policy seeks to restrict the release of Green Belt land and, in turn, protect the quality of the local landscape which will bring forward a positive effect in this SA objective in the long term.  However, this includes the release of existing green belt land which will have a significant negative effect on the objective in the short and medium term.  Based on the above, the policy will result in a neutral effect on the quality of local landscapes.

## **Summary**

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to release Green Belt land to bring forward a significant level of employment and housing growth in the Borough between 2011 and 2031 to meet local need, thus, represents a significant positive effect on economic and social factors associated with access to decent and affordable housing for all.

The level of growth can also result in a positive indirect effect on the provision of health facilities, increasing the vitality of town centres and tackling poverty and deprivation.

The Policy has no direct relationship with the provision of health facilities, sports/cultural facilities or crime and the fear of crime.

The Policy's restriction on the release of Green Belt land will protect the quality of the local landscape, soils and biodiversity in this SA objective in the long term. However, this includes the release of existing green belt land in the short and medium term resulting in a neutral overall score.

The Policy will have an overall neutral effect on issues of water resources, material assets, climate change, energy use, recycling as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy DS8 – Monitoring of Housing Trajectory (MM29)</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that at least 14,060 new dwellings and at least 39 residential and 5 transit pitches to accommodate Gypsies and Travellers are brought forward in a consistent manner during the Plan Period. The new residential development will indirectly contribute to the retention of economic activity in the Borough.</p> <p>Based on the above it is therefore concluded that the policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this SA objective.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that sufficient new dwellings will be built in the Borough during the plan period. This will include new dwellings in the Town Centre within the Borough.</p> <p>Based on the above it is therefore concluded that the policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this SA objective.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that at least 14,060 new dwellings and at least 39 residential and 5 transit pitches to accommodate Gypsies and Travellers are brought forward in a consistent manner during the Plan Period.</p> <p>This policy will contribute to ensuring the provision of a decent and affordable home for existing and</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
								<p>future residents of the Borough including the gypsy and traveller community.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in a significant positive effect on this Sustainability Objective in the short, medium and longer term.</p>
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new dwellings will be brought forward in the Borough up to 2031 to meet local needs. This will have an indirect impact on access to services for local residents as new facilities will be secured in tandem with the proposals via the requirements of the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour</b>	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information on the type and nature of the development to confirm any correlation between this policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.</p>
<b>Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The development of a significant level of new homes to the Borough will help improve the well-being of the local population and help reduce social exclusion.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents a positive, in-direct, impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not relate directly to this objective but will ensure new homes are brought forward in the Borough which will have an indirect impact on local facilities as new facilities will be secured I tandem with the proposals via the requirements of the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	0	0	0	+	+	+	+	<p>The provision of new homes ensured by the policy will require the provision of support infrastructure and services including health.</p> <p>The delivery of these facilities are likely to be delivered in a phased basis and thus this policy will have neutral effect in the short term.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will have a positive indirect impact on this sustainability objective in the medium to longer term.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new dwellings will be brought forward in the Borough up to 2031 to meet local needs. The provision of housing will result in the loss of open land in the Borough to development.</p> <p>No mitigation or enhancement is considered available to address this negative effect.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The level of growth proposed will result in increased water demand, posing increased pressure on water resources. This might result in increased ground water abstraction and related pollution effects together with a risk of on and off site flooding.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								Mitigation measures will be required to address this issue and are set out in the IDP.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Based on the above, and assuming the proposed mitigation is incorporated, this policy will result in a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
<b>Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Material Assets</b>								
<b>Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the historic environment</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Landscape</b>								
<b>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to ensure at least 14,060 new homes in the Borough during the plan period to meet local need, thus, represents a significant positive effect on social factors associated with access to decent and affordable housing for all.

The level of growth can also result in a positive indirect effect on the economic factors, provision of health facilities, increasing the vitality of town centres and tackling poverty and deprivation.

The Policy will result in a significant effect on loss of soils.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on issues of biodiversity, water resources and the provision of sports/cultural facilities together with material assets, landscape character, climate change, energy use, recycling as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The effect of the policy on Crime and fear of crime is uncertain.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy DS9 – Review (MM30)</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that at least 107.8 ha of employment land are brought forward during the plan period.</p> <p>This will represent a significant positive effect on this SA objective during the short to long term.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new employment land and new dwellings are brought forward in the Borough during the plan period.</p> <p>This will result in a positive indirect effect on the vitality of town centres.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks ensure the Borough Plan brings forward at least 14,060 new dwellings and at least 39 residential and 5 transit pitches to accommodate Gypsies and Travellers across the Borough.</p> <p>This policy will contribute to the provision of a decent and affordable home for existing and future residents of the Borough including the gypsy and traveller community.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in a significant positive effect on this Sustainability Objective in the short, medium and longer term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure the agreed scale of development in the Borough is brought forward to meet local needs. This will have an indirect impact on access to services for local residents as new facilities will be secured in tandem with the proposals via the requirements of the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour</b>	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information on the type and nature of the development to confirm any correlation between this policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.</p>
<b>Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The development of a significant level of new homes and employment opportunities to the Borough will help improve the well-being of the local population and help reduce social exclusion. The Policy will also help provide housing for key workers and therefore provide businesses with a diverse workforce.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents a positive, in-direct, impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not relate directly to this objective but will bring forward economic growth to the Borough which will have an indirect impact on local residents as new facilities will be secured I tandem with the proposals via the requirements of the IDP.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	0	0	0	+	+	+	+	<p>The provision of new homes and wider employment opportunities envisaged by the policy will require the provision of support infrastructure and services including health.</p> <p>The delivery of these facilities are likely to be delivered in a phased basis and thus this policy will have neutral effect in the short term.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will have a positive indirect impact on this sustainability objective in the medium to longer term.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	<p>The Policy seeks ensure the agreed sale of development set out in the Borough Plan is brought forward to meet local needs. The provision of new housing and employment uses will result in the loss of open land in the Borough to development.</p> <p>No mitigation or enhancement is considered available to address this negative effect.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The level of growth proposed will result in increased water demand, posing increased pressure on water resources. This might result in increased ground water abstraction and related pollution effects together with a risk of on and off site flooding.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								Mitigation measures will be required to address this issue and are set out in the IDP.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Based on the above, and assuming the proposed mitigation is incorporated, this policy will result in a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
<b>Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Material Assets</b>								
<b>Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>To ensure the prudent use of resources</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.

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The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to ensure that at least 107.8ha of employment land and at least 14,060 new dwellings together with at least 39 residential and 5 transit pitches to accommodate Gypsies and Travellers are brought forward in the Borough during the plan period to meet local need, thus, represents a significant positive effect on economic and social factors associated with access to decent and affordable housing for all.

The level of growth can also result in a positive indirect effect on the provision of health facilities, increasing the vitality of town centres and tackling poverty and deprivation.

The Policy will result in a significant effect on loss of soils.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on issues of biodiversity, water resources and the provision of sports/cultural facilities together with material assets, landscape character, climate change, energy use, recycling as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The effect of the policy on Crime and fear of crime is uncertain.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy E1 – Nature of Employment Growth</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to support employment uses, namely B1(b), B2 and B8 on strategic employment sites and existing employment areas. B1 (a) office uses are directed to Town Centres.</p> <p>This will represent a significant positive effect during the short to long term.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to direct new office development to town centres first which will have significant positive effect on vitality of Town Centres.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	<p>There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	<p>There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to direct new employment uses to strategic and existing employment sites that will, in turn, help improve the well-being of the local population and help reduce social exclusion, help provide housing for key workers and therefore provide businesses with a diverse workforce.  Based on the above, there is a positive indirect effect upon this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place								Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The development of new employment uses to strategic and existing employment sites of new and existing employment sites will not result in a direct effect on the provision of enhanced health or social care facilities or healthy lifestyles.</p> <p>However, the Health Impact Assessment prepared by Ben Cave Associates concludes that "<i>getting people into employment is critically important in reducing inequalities in health</i>" and supports the provision of good quality jobs in the Borough. The policy encourages the provision and enhancement of employment uses that, in turn, will result in an indirect effect on promoting health lifestyles.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents a slight positive indirect impact on this Sustainability Objective</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	<p>The Policy seeks to direct employment uses to new strategic employment sites. The development of new employment uses will result in an indirect adverse effect on the protection of soils.</p> <p>No mitigation or enhancement is considered available to address this negative effect.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The development land for new employment uses will result in increased water demand, posing increased pressure on water resources. This might result in increased ground water abstraction and related pollution effects together with a risk of on and off site flooding.</p> <p>Mitigation measures will be required to address this issue.</p> <p>Based on the above, and assuming the proposed mitigation is incorporated, this policy will result in a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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<b>Air</b>								
<b>Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy will, therefore, have a significant positive effect on focussing and retaining employment uses in urban areas, thus making efficient use of infrastructure and reducing the need to travel, by retaining existing employment uses in established locations.</p>
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
<b>Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources								Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to direct new employment uses to strategic and existing employment land, including directing office development to Town Centre locations, thus makes optimum use of previously development land and the use of resources.</p> <p>Based on the above, there will be a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the historic environment</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Landscape</b>								
<b>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to support employment uses on strategic employment sites and existing employment areas and also directs to B1 Office uses to Town Centres. This represents a significant positive effect on economic factors including the reuse of previously developed land.

The Policy will result in the loss of soil resources which represents a significant direct adverse effect.

The Policy will have no relationship with a number of social factors and an uncertain effect on the majority of environmental consideration as these are associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The Policy is considered to have a neutral effect on water resources, as new development will be required to bring forward mitigation measures to address Flood Risk and water quality issues.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy E2 – Existing Employment Estates</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy encourages the redevelopment, expansion and improvement of existing employment estates for employment uses and seek to resist the loss of employment land to non-employment uses <b>(MM138)</b> by setting criteria for the redevelopment of existing employment uses for alternative sites in certain circumstances.</p> <p>This will represent a significant positive effect during the short to long term.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy will have significant positive effect on vitality of Town Centre by retaining existing employment uses in and adjacent to town centre locations.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information on the type and nature of the development to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy will bring forward new employment uses that will help improve the well-being of the local population and help reduce social exclusion, help provide housing for key workers and therefore provide businesses with a diverse workforce.  Based on the above, there is a positive indirect effect upon this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place								Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The redevelopment and enhancement of existing employment sites will not result in a direct effect on the provision of enhanced health or social care facilities or healthy lifestyles.</p> <p>However, the Health Impact Assessment prepared by Ben Cave Associates concludes that "<i>getting people into employment is critically important in reducing inequalities in health</i>" and supports the provision of good quality jobs in the Borough. The policy encourages the provision and enhancement of employment uses that, in turn, will result in an indirect effect on promoting health lifestyles.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
								Based on the above, it is considered that the policy represents a slight positive indirect impact on this Sustainability Objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing employment land and thus restricts the opportunities for soil loss by the development of new employment sites.</p> <p>Based on the above, there will be a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Air</b>								
<b>Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy also seek to resist the loss of employment land to non-employment uses (<b>MM138</b>). The Policy will have a positive effect on focussing and retaining employment uses in urban areas, thus making efficient use of infrastructure and reducing the need to travel, by retaining existing employment uses in established locations.</p>
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
<b>Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Minimise the Borough's</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources								depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy seeks to resist the loss of employment land to non-employment uses ( <b>MM138</b> ) and protect existing employment land thus making optimum use of previously development land and the use of resources.  Based on the above, there will be a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
								depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
<b>Landscape</b>								
<b>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seek to resist the loss of employment land to non-employment uses (**MM138**) and also encourage the redevelopment, expansion and improvement of existing employment estates for employment uses. The Policy represents a significant positive effect on economic factors including the reuse of previously developed land and social factors associated with addressing poverty. The Policy will have an indirect positive effect on soils, health and focusing development in existing urban areas.

The Policy will result in no significant adverse effects.

The Policy will have no relationship with a number of social factors associated with the provision of homes, cultural/sport facilities and access to services and a neutral effect on the majority of environmental consideration as these are associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy H1 - Range and mix of housing</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To enhance the vitality of town centres	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	Policy H1 seeks to ensure that an adequate mix of housing types, sizes and tenures is available within the Borough to meet the needs of local residents.  The Policy will result in a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The provision of a mix of housing types, as set out in Policy H1, will help improve the well-being of the local population, help provide housing for key workers and therefore provide businesses with a diverse workforce.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a positive effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Health Impact Assessment prepared by Ben Cave Associates supports the provision of affordable housing and good quality homes in the Borough as a positive in-direct effect on the health of residents in the Borough. Based on the above, it is considered that the implementation of this Policy will have a slight positive indirect impact on this Sustainability Objective. Based on the above, there is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

### Summary

Policy H1 – Range and Mix of Housing has been assessed against the SA objectives.

Policy H1 seeks increase the range and mix of housing types, sizes and tenures in the Borough to meet the needs of residents. This represents a significant positive effect on SA Objective to provide a decent and affordable home on the social factors together with a positive indirect effect on health factors.

As the policy is solely focussed on the mix of new housing types, the Policy will have no direct relationship with environmental or economic factors.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy H2 - Affordable Housing</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To enhance the vitality of town centres	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>Policy H2 seeks to increase the level of affordable housing to address identified shortfall in the Borough. The proposed affordable housing level is 25% for developments consisting of 15 or more dwellings <b>(MM127)</b>.</p> <p>The Policy will result in a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>Policy H2 seek to bring forward an increased level of affordable housing options in the Borough that will help improve the well being of the local population, help provide housing for key workers and therefore provide businesses with a diverse workforce.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a positive effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Health Impact Assessment prepared by Ben Cave Associates supports the provision of affordable housing and good quality homes in the Borough as a positive in-direct effect on the health of residents in the Borough.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that the implementation of this Policy will have a slight positive indirect impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

### Summary

Policy H2 has been assessed against the SA objectives.

Policy H2 seeks increase the number of affordable housing units in the Borough. The proposed affordable housing level is 25% for developments consisting of 15 or more dwellings (**MM127**). This represents a significant positive effect on the provision of a decent and affordable home on the social factors together with a positive indirect effect on health factors.

As the policy is solely focussed on the provision of new housing units, the Policy will have no direct relationship with the remaining environmental or economic factors.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy H3 - Gypsy and Traveller</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To enhance the vitality of town centres	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>Policy H3 sets out the selection criteria for the identification of new residential pitches, transit pitches and Travelling show people plots within the Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations Plan in order to bring forward at least 39 residential and 5 transit pitches to accommodate Gypsies and Travellers are brought forward in a consistent manner during the Plan Period <b>(MM132)</b>.</p> <p>As the Policy is not allocating sites but setting criteria for a future assessment the Policy will result in an indirect, albeit positive, effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>Policy H3 sets the criteria for the future identification of suitable sites for the provision of housing to meet the future needs of for gypsy and travellers in the Borough in order to bring forward at least 39 residential and 5 transit pitches to accommodate Gypsies and Travellers are brought forward in a consistent manner during the Plan Period <b>(MM132)</b>.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a positive effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place								
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Water</b>								

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car								
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
recycled materials where possible								
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

### Summary

Policy H3 has been assessed against the SA objectives.

Policy H3 sets out the selection criteria for the identification of new residential pitches, transit pitches and Travelling show people plots within the Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations Plan in order to bring forward at least 39 residential and 5 transit pitches to accommodate Gypsies and Travellers are brought forward in a consistent manner during the Plan Period **(MM132)**. As the Policy is not allocating sites but setting criteria for a future assessment the Policy will result in an indirect, albeit positive, effect on social factors.

As the policy is solely focussed on the provision of future gypsy and traveller sites the Policy will have no direct relationship with environmental or economic factors.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy HS1 – Ensuring the delivery of Infrastructure</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure the delivery of appropriate and timely infrastructure as a pre-requisite of economic development. This increased investment will result in a positive effect on a strong and stable local economy.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly but new infrastructure proposals will result in enhanced service provision and accessibility to and between existing centres, However, any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure the delivery of appropriate and timely infrastructure as a pre-requisite of all development including housing development. However the Policy will not, on its own, result in a direct effect on this objective.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure the delivery of appropriate and timely infrastructure, as a pre-requisite of economic development and improvements to existing services and facilities where necessary.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new development proposals take account of their impact on community safety. This includes the provision of measure for the Police to reduce and mitigate the effect of crime.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new development proposals take account of their impact on educational attainment, access to services and health and well being to ensure that improvements identified to existing services and facilities are provided in tandem with the development.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new development proposals take account of their impact on community services and facilities and ensure that improvements identified to existing services and facilities are provided in tandem with the development.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
opportunities the Borough can offer								Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new development proposals take account of their impact on biodiversity. This will include the provision of new, or enhancement of existing, green infrastructure and biodiversity areas are provided in tandem with the development.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new development proposals take account of their impact on health and well being. This will include the provision of new, or enhancement of existing health facilities are provided in tandem with the development.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
equitable access to health services								
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to ensure that new development proposals take account of their impact on the environment and ensure that improvements identified to existing facilities, including water resources, are provided in tandem with the development.  Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy seeks to ensure the delivery of appropriate and timely infrastructure as a pre-requisite of all development. This will include, in some instances, the provision of new cycling, walking and public transport linkages that will reduce the need to travel

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
congestion, pollution and accidents								by private car. However the Policy will not, on its own, result in a direct effect on this objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Based on the above, the policy will result in a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly but may result in the provision on energy efficiency provision and sustainable transport options. However, any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Material Assets</b>								
<b>Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly but may result in the provision on on-site recovery and recycling facilities. However, any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective</p>
<b>To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the historic environment</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new development proposals take account of their impact on heritage assets and ensures that improvements are provided in tandem with the development.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Landscape</b>								
<b>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new development proposals take account of their impact on the quality of their landscape setting by providing mitigation improvements are provided in tandem with the development.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy will result in direct positive effects in terms of economic and social factors as it seeks to enhance existing facilities and services and provide appropriate infrastructure associated with new development in tandem with the development. There is also a direct positive effect on community safety and reducing poverty, together with water resources, biodiversity, heritage, material assets and access to services which are associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on a number of environmental matters including climatic factors, material assets, air quality and the provision of decent and affordable homes.

The policy has no relationship between the prudent use of resources, protection of soils and encouraging high quality design.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy HS2 – Strategic Accessibility and Sustainable Transport Policy</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure the delivery of appropriate and timely infrastructure as a pre-requisite to new development that will benefit the Borough's economic potential.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly but new transport infrastructure proposals may result in increased accessibility in existing centres. However, any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	<p>There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.</p>

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Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy has the potential to have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective as it may result in the increased accessibility to existing service and facilities.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy has the potential to have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective as it may result in the increased accessibility to existing cultural, sports and recreational facilities.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

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environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place								
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy requires new development proposals to demonstrate how they support sustainable transport measures i.e. public transport, cycling and walking facilities in the Borough. In addition, the policy requires all proposals to consider the impact of development on the Air Quality in the Borough <b>(MM145)</b> in the Borough and, where necessary suggest mitigation measures.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

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Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly but may result in increased accessibility within and between existing centres. However, any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective</p>
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy has the potential to have an indirect impact on these sustainability objectives as it may result in the increased use of sustainable transport options including future intelligent mobility infrastructure (<b>MM147</b>) and, thus, a reduction in emissions from transport.</p>
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

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the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible								
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy will result in a direct positive effect climatic and air quality factors and access to local services and facilities by requiring new development to demonstrate how they will encourage sustainable transport measures i.e. public transport, cycling and walking facilities in the Borough. In addition, the policy requires all proposals to consider the impact of development on Air Quality in the Borough **(MM145)** and bring forward future intelligent mobility infrastructure, if appropriate **(MM147)**.

The Policy will not affect economic and social factors associated with access to employment and affordable housing or environmental factors including material assets, biodiversity and landscape.

The Policy will have a neutral effect or no relationship on a number of environmental matters as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy HS3 – Telecommunications and Broadband Connectivity</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The use of telecommunications is linked to the success of modern business operations and demand for mobile internet access is growing. The Policy encourages contributions towards the provision of new infrastructure to enable the delivery of broadband services across the Borough.</p> <p>The Policy will result in an indirect but positive effect on the development of a strong and stable economy.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new telecommunication infrastructure is sited and design to minimise the visual impact of the structure and takes account of the landscape character. This is a key facet of local distinctiveness and sense of place sought by this objective.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to protect existing areas of ecological interest from new telecommunication development and thus represents an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new telecommunication infrastructure is sited and design to minimise the visual impact of the structure and takes account of the heritage assets.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to ensure that new telecommunication infrastructure is sited and design to minimise the visual impact of the structure and takes account of the landscape character.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

### Summary

The Policy seeks to ensure that new telecommunication infrastructure is sited and design to minimise the visual impact of the structure and takes account of the landscape character together with ecological and heritage protected areas and will, therefore, have an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective. There is also an indirect positive effect on economic factors and sense of place.

The Policy will have no direct relationship on all remaining environmental, economic and social factors.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy HS4 - Retaining Community Facilities</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
To enhance the vitality of town centres	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to restrict the redevelopment of community facilities for alternative uses by setting out the criteria for when such development is appropriate. The purpose of the Policy is to ensure that there is no qualitative or quality loss of facilities from any development proposal.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on the enhancing the vitality of Town Centre areas by seeking to restrict the loss of existing community facilities within these areas.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to restrict the redevelopment of community facilities for alternative uses by setting out the criteria for when such development is appropriate. The purpose of the Policy is to ensure that there is no qualitative or quality loss of facilities from any development proposal.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in a significant positive effect on ensuring easy and equitable access to existing community facilities.</p>
<b>Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The implementation of the Policy will ensure that there is no qualitative or quality loss of existing Community facilities from any development proposal.</p> <p>Community facilities provide an important function in all parts of the Borough but particularly in disadvantaged areas.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on addressing poverty by seeking to restrict the loss of existing community facilities to other uses.</p>
<b>Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The purpose of the Policy is to ensure that there is no qualitative or quality loss of existing Community facilities from any development proposal.</p> <p>The community facilities addressed in this Policy include, but are not limited too, sports facilities, green spaces, play areas and allotments.</p>

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								Based on the above the Policy, whilst not improving such facilities per se, represents a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective by seeking to restrict the loss of existing community facilities.
<b>Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The purpose of the Policy is to ensure that there is no qualitative or quality loss of existing Community facilities, including green spaces and parks from any development proposal. Such areas can be important areas for biodiversity and there will result in an adverse effect on this objective.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective by seeking to restrict the loss of existing community facilities.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The purpose of the Policy is to ensure that there is no qualitative or quality loss of existing Community facilities from any development proposal. The loss of important community facilities including health

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enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services								<p>facilities and play areas may have an adverse effect on this objective.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources								
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Landscape</b>								
<b>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The purpose of the Policy is to ensure that there is no qualitative or quality loss of existing Community facilities, including green spaces and parks from any development proposal. Such areas can be important landscape 'gaps' that soften and enhance the local urban context.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective by seeking to restrict the loss of existing community facilities.</p>

### Summary

The Policy seeks to restrict the redevelopment of community facilities for alternative uses by setting out the criteria for when such development is appropriate. The implementation of the Policy will ensure that there is no qualitative or quality loss of facilities from any development proposal and thus the Policy will result in a significant positive effect on ensuring easy and equitable access to existing community facilities including sports/recreational facilities. The Policy represents an indirect effect on enhancing Town Centre areas, addressing poverty and health inequalities together with biodiversity, landscape and soil resources by resting the loss of important existing community facilities.

The Policy will have no direct relationship on a number of environmental, economic and social factors.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy HS5 – Health Policy</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to direct new A3-A5 uses to existing Town Centres and outside these centres to limit the concentrations of such uses.</p> <p>The implementation of this Policy will result in a direct positive effect on the vitality of local centres by ensuring a variety of town centre uses are retained in these areas.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy has the potential to have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective as it will lead to the consideration of health related matters at the planning application stage.</p> <p>This will lead to the contributions toward and the provision of enhanced health related facilities within existing communities in the medium to long term.</p>
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.</p>
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	<p>There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.</p>
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>This Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective as it will require major development proposals to consider the impact on existing recreation and sports facilities as part of a Health Impact Assessment.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy will result in a direct positive effect on this sustainability objective as it will require major development proposals to consider the impact on existing health via a Health Impact Assessment <b>(MM151)</b>.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will have a positive direct impact on this sustainability objective in the short to longer term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly but may have a neutral effect on cycling and walking facilities in the Borough although the extent of this effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly but may have a neutral effect on cycling and walking facilities in the Borough although the extent of this effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible								
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy will result in a direct significant positive effect on human health objective as it will require major development proposals to consider the impact on existing health facilities together with an indirect positive effect on the provision to sports and recreations facilities and access to services.

The Policy will have no relationship on economic and social factors associated with access to employment and affordable housing.

The Policy will have no relationship on the remaining environmental matters and there is an uncertain effect on crime and fear of crime.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy HS6 - Sport and Exercise</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy will have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective as it will result in the provision of enhanced sports and health related facilities/opportunities within existing communities.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	This Policy will result in a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective as it will require all development proposals to consider the impact on existing recreation and sports facilities.  Where shortfalls are identified new development will contribute to the provision of new sports and leisure uses.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
distinctiveness and sense of place								
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy will have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective as it will result in the provision of enhanced sports and health related facilities/opportunities within existing communities.
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently,	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly but may have an indirect effect on cycling and walking facilities in the Borough although the extent of this effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is an neutral effect on this sustainability objective
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
To ensure the prudent use of resources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy will result in a significant direct positive effect on opportunities to participate in sports and recreational facilities as it will require major development proposals to consider the impact on existing sports facilities together with an indirect positive effect on the health/well-being of residents and access to services. The Policy will have a neutral effect on air quality associated with the integrated implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

The Policy will have no relationship on a number of economic, social and environmental matters. The effect on crime is uncertain.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy HS7 – Creating a Healthier Food Environment</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to direct A5 uses to existing Town Centres and outside these centres to granted consent in exceptions circumstances.</p> <p>The implementation of this Policy will result in a direct positive effect on the vitality of local centres by ensuring a variety of town centre uses are retained in these areas.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy has the potential to have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective as it will lead to the consideration of health related matters at the planning application stage.</p> <p>This will lead to the reduction in the number of A5 uses in the Borough within existing communities in the medium to long term.</p>
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.</p>
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	<p>There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.</p>
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	<p>There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy has the potential to have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective as it will lead to the consideration of health-related matters and life style choices at the planning application stage.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly but may have a neutral effect on cycling and walking facilities in the Borough although the extent of this effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly but may have a neutral effect on cycling and walking facilities in the Borough although the extent of this effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible								
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on human health objective and the vitality of Town Centre by directing A5 uses to Town Centres and thus ensuring a variety of uses are retained in these areas.

The Policy will have no relationship on economic and social factors associated with access to employment and affordable housing.

The Policy will have no relationship on the remaining environmental matters and there is an uncertain effect on crime and fear of crime.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy NE1– Green Infrastructure Policy</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. However, the Policy does seek to protect and enhance the green spaces within the existing Town Centre areas together with the linkages to existing linear routes and trails. This will improve the environment of these area in a positive manner.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
pleasant environments								
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective as it seeks to protect and enhance existing green spaces and open spaces which are important areas for informal recreation/sports facilities.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<p><b>Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place</b></p>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>Green infrastructure spaces can make an important contribution to local distinctiveness and the sense of place of an environment.</p> <p>The Policy seeks, particularly, to protect and enhance the green spaces within the existing Town Centre areas together with the linkages to existing linear routes and trails. This will improve the environment of these area in a positive manner.</p> <p>This Policy will result in a direct positive effect on this sustainability objective as it seeks to protect and enhance existing green spaces and open spaces.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
<p><b>To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters</b></p>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing areas and create a Green Network of sites across the Borough. These sites will provide important habitats for biodiversity assets and species <b>(MM157)</b>.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy will result in a direct positive effect on this sustainability objective as it will seeks to protect and enhance existing green spaces, encourage communities to grow food and provide a network of walking and cycling areas.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will have a significant positive direct impact on this sustainability objective in the short to longer term.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy will protect existing green spaces which will result in a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to protect existing watercourses and enhance existing Green Network facilities across the Borough including restoring the Town's relationship to the River Anker and its river valley corridor.</p> <p>The effect on natural water resources is therefore positive but dependent on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p>
<b>Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas								
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy will have an effect on this objective by seeking to retain and enhance green infrastructure facilities that include informal cycling and walking routes within the Borough.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy will have an effect on this objective by seeking to retain and enhance green infrastructure

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources								<p>facilities within urban areas which can, in turn, mitigate the effect of climate change.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to retain green spaces and informal infrastructure routes, i.e. River Anker and Coventry Canal corridors, which have cultural heritage and setting connections too.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
								Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
<b>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing areas and create a Green Network of sites across the Borough. Many such areas represent important landscape features that enhance the quality and setting of the built up areas.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

Policy NE1 will result in a significant direct positive effect on human health, landscape and biodiversity objective as it will seek to retain and enhance the existing green network of formal and informal open spaces, river/canal corridors and green spaces across the Borough. There will also be indirect positive effect on heritage assets, climate change, and sustainable means of travel, the design and vitality of urban areas, the provision to sports and recreations facilities and the protection of soils.

The Policy will have no relationship on economic and social factors associated with access to employment and affordable housing, the prudent use of resources or energy and material assets.

The Policy will have neutral effects on water resources and poverty as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The effect on crime is uncertain.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy NE 2– Open Space</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to protect and enhance a hierarchy of open spaces in the Borough. This will include existing open space in Town Centres.</p> <p>The Policy, therefore, does not address this factor directly but will have an indirect effect on the vitality of urban areas as attractive areas to live, work, shop etc.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is an uncertain effect on this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy supports the creation and improvement of a Green Network of publically accessible and linked open spaces across the Borough.  This Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing green spaces and open spaces which are important areas for informal recreation/sports facilities. The Policy specifically encourages improving existing recreational grounds and existing play facilities.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
								Based on the above the policy will result in a positive effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>Open Spaces and green networks can make an important contribution to local distinctiveness and the sense of place of an environment.</p> <p>This Policy will result in an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective as it seeks to protect and enhance existing green spaces and open spaces.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing areas and create a Green Network of sites across the Borough. These sites will provide important habitats for biodiversity assets and species.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy will result in a direct positive effect on this sustainability objective as it will seeks to protect and enhance existing green spaces, encourage communities to grow food and provide a network of walking and cycling areas.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will have a significant positive direct impact on this sustainability objective in the short to longer term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
equitable access to health services								
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy will protect existing green spaces which will result in a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing areas and create a Green Network of open space across the Borough which will result in a positive indirect effect on these sustainability objectives. New open spaces can multi-function as flood storage areas, where appropriate albeit this should exclude children's play or sports pitches <b>(MM159)</b>
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to provide an integrated network of walking and cycling areas across the Borough.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents								Based on the above, the policy will have a positive direct indirect impact on this sustainability objective in the short to longer term
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing areas and create a Green Network of open spaces across the Borough. This will result in related positive effects on the local landscape character of the Borough.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
								Based on the above, the Policy will have a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy supports the creation and improvement of a Green Network of publically accessible and linked open spaces across the Borough.

This Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing green spaces and open spaces which are important areas for informal recreation/sports facilities and biodiversity/landscape assets. The Policy will result in a significant direct positive effect on human health, landscape and biodiversity objective as it will seek to create a green network of formal and informal open spaces and green spaces across the Borough. There will also be indirect positive effect on the provision to sports and recreations facilities, water resources, soils and encouraging walking and cycling.

The Policy will have no relationship on economic factors associated with access to employment and considerations relating to affordable housing, reducing poverty, climate factors, energy and material assets.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on the vitality of Town Centres as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The Policy will have an uncertain effect on crime and the fear of crime.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy NE3 – Biodiversity and Geodiversity</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy is focussed on protecting and enhancing features of biodiversity and geo-diversity interest including designated sites (<b>MM161</b>) and other ecological networks to ensure that any adverse effects from development are adequately mitigated or off-set.</p> <p>The Policy represents a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy will have an indirect effect on soils by the protection of existing soil resources that also support important the biodiversity habitats and species.
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
travel, especially by private car								
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy's seek to ensure that development proposals respond positively to the impacts of climate change by preventing the fragmentation of existing habitats.</p> <p>The Policy will have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability consideration.</p>
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy's seek to ensure that development proposals respond positively to the impacts of climate change by preventing the fragmentation of existing habitats.</p> <p>The Policy will have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability consideration.</p>

### Summary

The Policy is focussed on protecting and enhancing features of biodiversity and geo-diversity interest including designated sites (**MM161**) together with ensuring that and adverse effects are adequately mitigated or off-set. The Policy also ensures that development proposals respond positively to the impacts of climate change. The Policy represents a significant positive effect on biodiversity resources and an indirect effect on soil resources, climate change and landscape effects.

The Policy will have no direct relationship on a number of environmental, economic and social factors.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy NE4 – Managing Flood Risk and Water Quality</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The policy seeks to encourage land management tree planting as a mean of minimising surface water run-off ( <b>MM163</b> ). Such measures will have a positive indirect effect on enhancing biodiversity assets including inland waters.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy will have an indirect effect on soils by seeking to minimise surface water run-off from land, thus protecting existing soil resources.
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy seeks to manage flood risk associated with existing and proposed development by directing new development to areas of lowest flood risk. The policy also seeks to protect and improve water quality.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								In addition, the policy seeks to protect flood defence scheme and minimise surface water run-off by land management and tree planting together with SuDs measures.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	Based on the above the policy will have a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to manage flood risk and water quality but also to take account of climate change to ensure that sites are "safe" over their lifetime.</p> <p>This pragmatic approach to flood risk accords with the NPPF and represents a positive direct effect on this sustainability consideration.</p>
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land								
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to protect the functional floodplains, many of which also represent important local landscape features in the Borough.  Based on the above, the Policy will have an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.

### Summary

The Policy seeks to manage flood risk associated with existing and proposed development by directing new development to areas of lowest flood risk. The policy also seeks to protect and improve water quality, protect flood defence scheme and minimise surface water run-off by land management, tree planting and SuDS measures.

The Policy represents a significant positive effect on water resources and an indirect positive effect on biodiversity and landscape assets.

The Policy will have no direct relationship on a number of environmental, economic and social factors.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy NE5 – Landscape Character</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	Local landscape character is key facet of local distinctiveness and sense of place set out in the sustainability consideration.  Accordingly, the implementation of this Policy will have a positive direct effect on this sustainability objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
<b>To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to conserve, enhance, restore and recreate a sense of place by responding positively to the landscape setting of development.</p> <p>Area of biodiversity and natural habitat form part of the landscape character of the Borough and thus this Policy represents an indirect positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to conserve, enhance, restore and recreate a sense of place which will have an indirect effect on soils by protecting or enhancing existing soil resources.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
Ensure development is primarily focused in	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car								There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Material Assets</b>								

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>This Policy seeks to conserve, enhance and restore valued landscapes in the Borough by ensuring that development proposals take account of the local characteristics of the Landscape Area of the Borough.</p> <p>The Policy will result in a direct significant positive effect on thus sustainability objective.</p>

**Summary**

The Policy seeks to conserve, enhance, restore and recreate a sense of place by the protection of valued landscape areas in the Borough and by responding positively to the landscape setting of development.

The Policy represents a significant positive effect on landscape but also an indirect positive effect on biodiversity, sense of place and soils.

The Policy will have no direct relationship on the remaining environmental, economic and social factors.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Policy TC 1 – Town Centre Requirements</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough’s inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to encourage new office, retail and leisure uses in the town centres of Nuneaton and Bedworth.</p> <p>This will represent a significant positive effect during the short to long term.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to direct new retail, office and leisure floor space within the town centres of Nuneaton and Bedworth.</p> <p>The proposed uses will maintain and enhance the vitality of these centres and is considered to result in a significant positive effect on the vitality of town centres.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship between the policy and this SA objective.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy will contribute to the easy access of services and facilities by focussing these in areas will good cycling, walking and public transport links.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information on the type and nature of the development to confirm any correlation between this PDA and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.</p>
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seek to direct new employment, retail and leisure opportunities within the existing Town Centres of the Borough. This will help improve the well-being of the local population and help reduce social exclusion by providing businesses with a diverse workforce.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that Policy TC1 represents a positive impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seek to direct new leisure opportunities within the existing Town Centres of the Borough. This will indirectly help improve the well-being of</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer								<p>the local population and enhance the provision of opportunities in highly accessible locations.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that Policy TC1 represents a positive impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to encourage a mix of uses in Town Centre locations which will only have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective. However the likely design and integration of uses within the urban areas will be directed by the implementation of other policies.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to encourage a mix of uses in Town Centre locations which could, if not properly mitigated, result in an adverse impact on the natural environment, habitats and species.</p> <p>It is envisaged that this policy will be pursued in tandem with other polices to protect biodiversity features.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
<b>Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy seeks to encourage a mix of uses in Town Centre locations. New health facilities are not mentioned in the Policy but it is likely that the policy will have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective by focusing development in highly accessible locations.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Soil</b>								
<b>To protect and improve soil quality</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to direct new retail, office and leisure floor space within the town centres of Nuneaton and Bedworth. This will protect land, outside the urban areas, from such uses and thus protect soil loss to development.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
<b>Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The level of growth proposed will result in increased water demand, posing increased pressure on water resources. This might result in increased ground water abstraction and related pollution effects together with a risk of on and off site flooding.</p>

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developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								The Policy seeks to encourage a mix of uses in Town Centre locations which will only have an indirect impact on this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The level of new uses will result in increased water demand, posing increased pressure on water resources. This might result in increased ground water abstraction and related pollution effects together with a risk of on and off site flooding.</p> <p>These potential effects will be mitigated by the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a neutral effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.</p>
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seek to direct new retail, office and leisure opportunities to existing Town Centres that are already highly accessible locations. These areas already benefit from good cycling, walking and public transport linkages. This Policy will encourage, indirectly, the use of cycling, walking and public transport use.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that Policy TC1 represents a positive impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy seek to direct new retail, office and leisure opportunities to existing Town Centres that are already highly accessible locations. This will ensure that efficient use of urban areas is made to areas already benefit from good cycling, walking

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infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car								and public transport linkages. This Policy will reduce, indirectly, the need to travel by car.  Based on the above, it is considered that Policy TC1 represents a significant positive impact on this Sustainability Objective.
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

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including the use of recycled materials where possible								Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seek to direct new retail, office and leisure opportunities to existing Town Centres that are already highly accessible locations. This will encourage the efficient use of previously developed land within urban areas.</p> <p>Based on the above, it is considered that Policy TC1 represents a significant positive impact on this Sustainability Objective.</p>
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>

## **Summary**

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seek to direct new retail, office and leisure opportunities to existing Town Centres that are already highly accessible locations and thus represents a significant positive effect on economic and environmental factors associated with loss of soils and prudent use of resources. The policy will have a positive effect on accessing services and reducing the need to travel by car by encouraging other forms of travel together with an indirect effect on the provision of sports/cultural facilities, health facilities and tackling poverty and deprivation.

The level of growth can also result in a positive indirect effect on the provision of health facilities and tackling poverty and deprivation.

The Policy will have no effect/relationship on the provision of decent and affordable housing for all. There is an uncertain effect on Crime and fear of crime.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on issues of biodiversity, water resources and the together with material assets, landscape character, climate change, energy use, recycling as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

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<b>Policy TC2 – Nature of Town Centre Growth</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to strengthen the role of the Nuneaton and Bedworth Town Centres for main town centre uses including directing development to primary and secondary shopping frontages and the enhancement of a café quarter in Nuneaton. These will contribute to a strong and stable economy in these Centres.</p> <p>This will represent a positive effect during the short to long term.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to support and strengthen the vitality of Nuneaton and Bedworth Town Centres and sets out criteria for the directing development within the town centre boundaries including primary and secondary shopping frontages.</p> <p>The Policy will result in a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	<p>There is no relationship with this sustainability objective.</p>

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Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy supports a mix of uses and services in the Town Centre area, including retail, office, entertainment and leisure etc.</p> <p>Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	<p>Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.</p>
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy will encourage the development of a mix of uses, facilities, services including retail, recreation, leisure and cafe opportunities to create a more accessible and well connected town centres that will, in turn, help improve the wellbeing of the local population and help reduce social exclusion.</p>
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>Based on the above, there is a positive indirect effect upon these sustainability objectives.</p>

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Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy will promote and seek appropriate enhancements to complement the natural and historic environment including existing green infrastructure to help tackle climate change. The enhancements are considered to help define a sense of place and promote local brand and identity.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a significant positive effect upon these sustainability objectives.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy will promote and seek appropriate enhancements to complement the natural environment, including Green Infrastructure resources, together with tackling climate change. The enhancements are considered to indirectly protect and enhance the natural environment.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a positive indirect effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy will encourage the development of a mix of uses, facilities, services including retail, recreation, and employment opportunities in the existing town centres with particular emphasis on linkages by walking, cycling that will help, overall, improve the wellbeing of the local population.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a positive indirect effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>

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equitable access to health services								
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy seeks to focus new development within existing Town Centre areas thus protecting existing soil resources from loss.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a positive indirect effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy will promote and seek appropriate enhancements to complement the natural environment, including existing Green Infrastructure resources, to assist with tackling climate change. The enhancements are considered to indirectly have an effect on managing natural resources and minimising pollution levels.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a positive indirect effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	

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<b>Air</b>								
<b>Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy places particular emphasis on creating accessible, well connected centres with linkages by walking, cycling and public transport. This will address this factor by focussing new development in Town Centres thus increasing the opportunities to use more sustainable method of transport.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a positive effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to support and strengthen the existing Town Centre of Nuneaton and Bedworth and thus will have a direct positive effect on reducing the need to travel and making efficient use of existing infrastructure.</p>
<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
<b>Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p>The Policy will promote and seek appropriate enhancements to complement the natural and historic environment to help tackle climate change impacts including urban heat island concerns.</p>

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change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources								Based on the above, there is a positive direct effect upon this sustainability objective.
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is an neutral effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed land, buildings and the efficient use of land	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to support and strengthen the existing Town Centre of Nuneaton and Bedworth and thus seeks to ensure the prudent use of resources in Town Centre areas.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a significant positive effect upon this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy will promote and seek appropriate enhancements to complement the historic environment to tackle climate change impacts. The enhancements are considered to help protect and enhance the historic environment of the Town Centre areas.

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								Based on the above, there is a positive indirect effect upon these sustainability objectives.
<b>Landscape</b>								
<b>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes</b>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to create a sense of place and enhance the brand identity of existing Town Centres.  Based on the above, there is a positive indirect effect upon these sustainability objectives.

**Summary**

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to strengthen the role of the Nuneaton and Bedworth Town Centres for main town centre uses including directing development to primary and secondary shopping frontages. These will contribute to a strong and stable economy in these Centres.

The Policy represents a significant positive effect on economic and social factors including the prudent use of resources and existing infrastructure, reuse of previously developed land, access to services and recreation/cultural facilities together with defining a landscape/sense of place, health and reducing the need to travel. The Policy will promote and seek appropriate enhancements to complement the natural and historic environment including green infrastructure assets together with tackling climate change resulting in an indirect effect on these sustainability factors.

The Policy will result in no significant adverse effects.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on waste resources and energy consideration as these are associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The Policy will have an uncertain effect on crime. There is no relationship between the Policy and the provision of decent or affordable homes.

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<b>Policy TC3- Hierarchy of Centres Policy</b>								
<b>Economic Factors</b>								
<b>Achieve a strong, stable and sustainable economy and prosperity for the benefit of all the Borough's inhabitants, through on-going investment (public and private)</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p>The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.</p> <p>Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
<b>To enhance the vitality of town centres</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy seeks to protect and enhance the role of Town Centres and Local/District Centres and thus will have a direct and positive effect on this objective.
<b>Social Factors</b>								
<b>Provide decent and affordable housing for all, of the right quantity, type, tenure and affordability to meet local needs, in clean, safe and pleasant environments</b>	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this SA consideration.
<b>Ensure easy and equitable access to services, facilities and opportunities, including jobs and learning, and that people are not disadvantaged with</b>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	The Policy seeks to ensure that new residential development is located within close proximity to existing centres (or new centres are provided) will, in turn, result in easy access to services and opportunities.

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regard to ethnicity, gender, age, disability, faith, sexuality, background or location								Based on the above, the Policy will have a positive effect on this sustainability objective during the short, medium and long term.
Reduce crime, fear of crime and antisocial behaviour	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Crime rates are currently high in the Borough and may, if not mitigated, increase in line with proposed growth levels. There is currently insufficient information to confirm any correlation between this Policy and crime or fear of crime. To this end the potential environmental effect is uncertain.
Address poverty and disadvantage taking into account the particular difficulties of those facing multiple disadvantage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
Improve opportunities to participate in the diverse cultural, sport and recreational opportunities the Borough can offer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
Encourage land use and development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments, that help to create and promote local	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.

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distinctiveness and sense of place								
<b>Biodiversity</b>								
To protect and enhance the natural environment, habitats, species, landscapes and inland waters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Population and Human Health</b>								
Improve health and reduce health inequalities by encouraging and enabling healthy active lifestyles and protecting health, as well as providing equitable access to health services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Soil</b>								
To protect and improve soil quality	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	There is no relationship with this SA consideration.
<b>Water</b>								
Use natural resources, such as water efficiently, including by	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

Sustainability Objective	Appraisal Questions		Short term	Med term	Long term	Mitigation or enhancement		Appraisal Comments
incorporating efficiency measures into new land use and developments, redevelopment and refurbishment								Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
Ensure that new developments minimise water pollution levels and avoid areas which are at risk from flooding and natural flood storage areas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Air</b>								
Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking as a proportion of total travel in order to reduce road traffic congestion, pollution and accidents	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p>The Policy seeks to encourage new development within, or close proximity to existing centres (or make provision for new centres), thus, resulting in significant benefits in terms of reducing the need to travel and making efficient use of existing infrastructure.</p> <p>Based on the above, the policy will result in a significant positive effect on this sustainability objective.</p>
Ensure development is primarily focused in urban areas, and makes efficient use of existing physical infrastructure and reduces need to travel, especially by private car	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	

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<b>Climatic Factors</b>								
Reduce overall energy use through increased energy efficiency	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The Policy seeks to focus development close to existing developed areas/settlements which should, indirectly, offer the opportunity to reduce energy uses and emissions,  Based on the above, the Policy is considered to have a positive indirect effect on this sustainability objective.
Minimise the Borough's contribution to the causes of climate change by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
<b>Material Assets</b>								
Encourage and enable waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery to divert resources away from the waste stream, including the use of recycled materials where possible	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
To ensure the prudent use of resources including the optimum use of previously developed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.

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land, buildings and the efficient use of land								Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>								
To protect and enhance the historic environment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.
<b>Landscape</b>								
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	The Policy does not address this factor directly and so any effect on this sustainability objective will depend on the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan.  Based on the above, there is a neutral effect on this sustainability objective.

### Summary

The Policy has been assessed against the SA objectives.

The Policy seeks to encourage new residential development within, or in close proximity to existing centres (or provide new centres as part of strategic allocations) that will, in turn, maintain the vitality and viability of existing centres, reduce the need to travel and the use of public transport together with reductions in energy usage and emissions. Accordingly, the Policy will result in a positive effect on town centre areas, air quality and climatic factors.

The Policy will have a neutral effect on economic and environmental factors, namely, biodiversity, water resources, soils, material assets, and landscape character as these are factors associated with the implementation of other policies in the Borough Plan. The Policy has no relationship on the provision of new or affordable homes or the protection of soil resources.