

# Local Development Plan 2030



Antrim and  
Newtownabbey  
BOROUGH COUNCIL

**Draft Plan Strategy**

Addendum to Sustainability Appraisal Report

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## Non-Technical Summary

Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council – Local Development Plan - Draft Plan Strategy (DPS) was published in June 2019, along with a number of assessments, including a Sustainability Appraisal (incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment) Report (SA Report). These documents were then subject to a period of public consultation, where approximately 120 representations were received which made comment on various aspects of the DPS.

Having considered these representations, the Council then submitted the DPS to the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) in March 2021, for it to cause an Independent Examination (IE) to be carried out. The IE was undertaken by the Planning Appeals Commission (PAC) in May and June 2022. In October 2023 the PAC Report into the IE was forwarded to DfI for consideration. The IE Report contained a number of recommendations in relation to the adoption of the DPS, as well as the reasons for those recommendations. The IE Report concluded that the DPS was considered to meet the tests of 'soundness', subject to a number of modifications.

Having considered the content of the IE Report, on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024, DfI issued a legislatively binding 'Departmental Direction', instructing the Council to adopt the Plan Strategy (PS) with a number of modifications, as well as undertaking any necessary engagement and consultation, prior to formal adoption of the PS.

Consequently, this document forms an Addendum to and should be read alongside the original Sustainability Appraisal (SA) Reports, which were carried out in relation to the DPS, and are comprised of:

- Sustainability Appraisal (incorporating the Strategic Environmental Assessment) Report (June 2019) (DPS 002);
- Sustainability Appraisal Non-Technical Summary (June 2019) (DPS 003); and
- Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (June 2019) (DPS 004).

This Addendum to Sustainability Appraisal Report (Addendum) takes into account those modifications to the DPS as identified within the DfI Departmental Direction, which are required to make the PS sound, ahead of its formal adoption.

This Addendum highlights the effects that the required modifications are likely to have with regards to the original Sustainability Appraisal. These modifications were reviewed to determine whether they would substantially alter the previously appraised likely significant effects.

The conclusions of the Addendum are that none of the required modifications would result in any likely significant effects as a result of their inclusion within the adopted PS. The vast majority of modifications can be made without impacting or changing how the plan as a whole would perform against the Sustainability Objectives, whilst those limited number that do have an impact result in improvements to the performance of the policies against some of the Sustainability Objectives. As a consequence, the assessment and conclusions of the original 2019 SA Report remain unchanged and there will be no likely significant effects on the

environment from the implementation of the ANBC plan strategy (as modified by the direction).

## What happens next?

Following publication of this SA Addendum, together with the Equality Screening and Rural Needs Impact Assessment Addendum and Habitats Regulations Assessment, representations are invited through the consultation process outlined below.

It is important to note that this consultation relates to these amended documents only. It is not an opportunity to make comment on the content of the Departmental Direction, the PAC Report into the IE or the DPS itself and any comments regarding these documents will be discounted.

Once the content of any representations to the revision of these documents have been considered by the Council and the requirements of the Departmental Direction have been carried out, the Council will then move to formally adopt the PS and publish final versions of the assessments.

Regulations also require the Council to produce a formal, post-adoption SA Statement to accompany the PS, as soon as reasonably practicable after its adoption. The purpose of the post-adoption statement is to outline how the SA process has informed and influenced the plan preparation and decision-making process and demonstrate how consultation on the SA was taken into account. The statement will include the modifications appraised through this SA Addendum and any responses received to it through the consultation process.

## Consultation Arrangements

This Addendum will be available for consultation for a period of two weeks, from 1 April 2025 to 15 April 2025 (by close of play 5 pm). Late submissions will not be accepted after this time.

You can respond to this consultation exercise:

- by email to [forwardplanningteam@antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk](mailto:forwardplanningteam@antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk)
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All of the relevant documentation is available to view online at <https://antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk/residents/planning/local-development->

[plans/draft-plan-strategy/](#) from 1 April 2025. Documentation will also be available for inspection at the Council civic offices, between 8:30am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

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# 1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Plan Strategy forms the first stage of a two stage Local Development Plan (LDP) for the Borough. The LDP will also consist of the Local Policies Plan (LPP), which is the second stage of the plan making process. The LPP will provide the detailed site-specific policies and proposals, including settlement limits, land use zonings and environmental designations.
- 1.2 A Sustainability Appraisal Report undertaken as part of the Sustainability Appraisal (SA) process for the LDP, was published alongside the Draft Plan Strategy (DPS) in June 2019. The SA Report documented the appraisal of Options and alternatives against a sustainability framework consisting of fourteen sustainability objectives. These sustainability objectives related to social, economic and environmental themes, and helped to determine the preferred Options presented as part of the DPS. The process identified where a preferred Option may have significant effects, and where these are negative effects, identified how these could be addressed.
- 1.3 This document forms an Addendum to and should be read alongside, the 'Sustainability Appraisal (incorporating the Strategic Environmental Assessment) Report (June 2019) and takes account of modifications required to adopt the DPS following the IE.

## **The Draft Plan Strategy Independent Examination**

- 1.4 The DPS was published in June 2019 for a period of public consultation. Approximately 120 representations were submitted to the Council during this period on a range of issues, as well as 26 representations made during the 'counter representation' period. In preparation for the IE, the content of these representations were subject to detailed consideration by the Council. A number of representations requested that changes be made to the DPS.
- 1.5 For the majority of these requests the Council considered that no change was required, as the approach taken in the DPS was considered to be appropriate and reasonable. There were, however, also a number of requests for changes to be made to the DPS, which the Council considered to be relatively minor in nature. These included requests for additional factual information or to update text to reflect legislative requirements, whilst others sought greater clarity in the wording of parts of the document. As a consequence, and in order to assist the IE process, a schedule of suggested minor changes was prepared where the Council was open to changes to the DPS document, should the Independent Examiner consider it was beneficial. At the same time, the Council also took the opportunity to identify a list of minor typographical errors within the DPS, the intention being to resolve these as part of the adopted version of the Plan.

- 1.6 The Council's suggested changes (typographical errors and suggested minor changes) were first identified in the 'Draft Plan Strategy Public Consultation Report' (March 2021), published to assist with the IE process. As stated at paragraph 7.3 of that Report, the Council was content that the minor changes suggested, both individually and cumulatively, did not have any impact on the soundness of the DPS nor any of the accompanying assessments, including the Sustainability Appraisal incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment, the draft Habitats Regulation Assessment and the Equality (Section 75) Screening and Rural Needs Impact Assessment Report.
- 1.7 In March 2021, the DPS, its supporting assessments and evidence papers were submitted to DfI to cause an IE to be carried out. In September 2021 DfI appointed the Planning Appeals Commission to conduct an IE into the DPS, which was held over two sessions, between May and June 2022.
- 1.8 During discussions at IE, a limited number of the previously suggested changes by the Council were updated and a range of other suggested changes were raised as 'matters arising' during the process. To take account of these further changes, an 'Updated Schedule of Suggested Minor Changes Report' (June 2022) was published on the PAC website, at the closing of the IE hearing.
- 1.9 In the Updated Schedule of Suggested Minor Changes Report, at paragraph 1.5, the Council again reiterated that it was not of the view that any of the suggested changes either individually or cumulatively had raised issues of soundness. Council was of the view that the changes were beneficial in the interests of clarity and completeness and it was not necessary to undertake any form of public consultation on them.

### **Representations regarding the Sustainability Appraisal Report 2019**

- 1.10 A number of representations were received in relation to the SA Report 2019 during the public consultation period for the DPS and its supporting documents. The Council issued its response to those issues raised, as set out in the 'Representations by Issues Report March 2021' (DPS-S-002) which was published to assist with the IE process. At that time the Council considered that the issues raised were primarily related to matters of policy or did not result in altered scoring and performance of plan policies against the Sustainability Objectives.
- 1.11 The Council has again taken the opportunity to consider the issues raised in the representations, in light of the Departmental Direction and considers that the comments do not raise matters which impact on the SA.

### **Post-examination modifications**

- 1.12 In October 2023, the PAC Report into the IE was forwarded to DfI for consideration. This Report contained a number of recommendations in relation to the DPS, as well as the reasons for those recommendations. The PAC concluded that, subject to the recommended modifications, the DPS met the statutory tests of soundness. Having considered the content of the Report and in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 12(1)(b) of the Planning

Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, on 27<sup>th</sup> of September 2024 DfI issued a Departmental Direction, instructing the Council to adopt the PS, subject to a number of modifications.

1.13 The Departmental Direction identifies a Schedule of Modifications:

- **Schedule 1:** identifies 93 modifications that are required to make the plan sound. The modifications are a combination of:
  - Amended proposed minor changes (taken from the Draft Plan Strategy Public Consultation Report – Chapter 7 Schedule of suggested Minor changes (March 2021),
  - Schedule of Suggested Minor Changes of the dPS (updated as part of the Independent Examination) (June 2022),
  - New changes recommended following the conclusion of the IE process; and
  - New modifications directed by the Department following consideration of the IE Report.

1.14 To fulfil the requirements of the Departmental Direction and legislative requirements under the Planning Act (NI) 2011, the Council is now required to modify the DPS to include all of the modifications detailed in Schedule 1 ahead of its formal adoption. In order to provide clarity and transparency in the adoption process, the Council published the advisory PAC IE Report and Departmental Direction on its website on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024 for information purposes.

### **Sustainability Appraisal of Modifications**

1.15 The Council has now been directed to undertake a number of modifications to the DPS ahead of its adoption. As any modification to the DPS has the potential to change the appraisal of likely effects on social, economic and environmental interests, the modifications therefore require consideration through the SA process to determine if they alter or create additional likely significant effects to those identified within the original 2019 SA Report.

1.16 Sections 8(6) and 9(7) of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, require an appraisal of sustainability to be carried out for the Plan Strategy and Local Policies Plan, respectively. SA must cover the social and economic effects of the LDP as well as the environmental effects. These legislative requirements are locally implemented through the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 ('the EAPP (NI) Regulations').

- 1.17 SA is an iterative process that runs in parallel with the preparation of the LDP, including the DPS. Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) examines the environmental effects of the LDP proposals and is an integral part of SA.
- 1.18 The SA is underpinned by the 'SA Scoping Report', which presents the evidence base to inform the appraisals of each policy. The 'SA Scoping Report' also establishes the SA Framework for undertaking the appraisal. The SA Scoping Report was originally prepared to support the 'Sustainability Appraisal Interim Report', which was prepared for and published with the Preferred Options Paper in January 2017 and an updated version published in June 2019.
- 1.19 The 'Sustainability Appraisal of the DPS (incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment) Sustainability Appraisal Report' was published in June 2019 and was subject to statutory and public consultation in accordance with Regulation 12 of the EAPP (NI) Regulations. The 2019 SA Report contains the findings of the assessment on the 'likely significant effects on the environment' of the implementation of the DPS.
- 1.20 The SEA Directive requires assessment of the likely significant effects of implementing the plan, and 'Reasonable Alternatives'. Developing Options and Alternatives is an important part of both the plan-making and SA process. For the DPS, the Reasonable Alternatives are the different options put forward during the preparation of the Strategic and Detailed Management Policies.
- 1.21 The purpose of the SA Framework is to provide a means of ensuring that the social, environmental and economic needs of the area are considered in plan preparation. It enables the effects of plan proposals to be described, analysed and compared. It also helps identify measures to minimise negative effects and enhance positive effects.
- 1.22 The SA Framework consists of sustainability objectives with prompts which are used to assess plan proposals against the baseline. All stages of plan-making will be assessed using the Framework, which may be reviewed and updated at each stage as further information becomes available.

### **The Sustainability Objectives**

- 1.23 A total of fourteen social, economic and environmental sustainability objectives were identified in the 'SA Scoping Report 2019'. These have been informed by the strategic and policy context, a review of baseline information for the Council and any evidence of trends and issues. The objectives for sustainable development for Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council are to:

**1...improve health and well-being.** Public policy seeks to increase healthy life expectancy, reduce preventable deaths, improve mental health and reduce health inequalities. Evidence shows that there is a need to address obesity, increase physical activity and reduce inequalities in health. It is also necessary to provide for the needs of an aging population and minimise the detrimental impacts of noise. This can be achieved by creating an environment that is

clean and attractive; encourages healthy lifestyles; protects tranquil and quiet areas and enables access to health care facilities for all.

**2...strengthen society.** Regional policy is directed towards improving community relations and creating a safe society which is more united. Success will be represented by places which are inclusive, respect culture and identity, promote social integration and create a sense of pride. They will also be designed to feel safe and to reduce opportunity for crime or anti-social behaviour.

**3...provide good quality, sustainable housing.** The population is growing and therefore there is ongoing need for new housing in locations that meet regional policy, are accessible and balance the needs of society and the environment. The make-up of households is changing therefore design needs to meet long term requirements with good quality build to be sustainable. This objective should reduce homelessness and ensure decent, affordable homes with a mix of types.

**4...enable access to high quality education.** Good education improves opportunities for employment and also contributes to avoidance of poverty and healthier lifestyles. The provision of suitable accommodation for educational establishments in appropriate, accessible locations should play a part in making schools more sustainable and reducing inequalities in education.

**5...enable sustainable economic growth.** Regional policy seeks to develop a strong, competitive and regionally balanced economy. It is necessary to provide suitable locations for employment, with flexibility where necessary, to reflect current and future distribution of jobs across sectors, encourage new business start-ups, facilitate innovation, regenerate areas, attract investment and make employment as accessible as possible for all. This will reduce unemployment and poverty by helping more people to earn a living and increase their income.

**6...manage material assets sustainably.** Material assets such as infrastructure and sources of energy production are essential for society and the economy but need careful planning to ensure that they are designed for efficiency and to minimise adverse impacts. The concept of circular economy treats waste as resource which should be managed sustainably to reduce production and increase recovery, recycling and composting rates; new or adapted facilities may be required.

**7...protect physical resources and use sustainably.** Land, minerals, geothermal energy and soil are resources which require protection from degradation and

safeguarding for future use. Sustainable agriculture, tourism and sustainable use of minerals and geothermal energy can help to support the economy.

**8...encourage active and sustainable travel.** There is a common goal to reduce traffic emissions and congestion which means reducing single occupancy car use and increasing other forms of transport, especially at peak times. The location of housing and key services can facilitate better access to public transport. Opportunities for active travel makes travel more affordable and may bring added health benefits while also reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Measures to manage car demand, such as parking and re-allocation of roadspace, which encourage a shift from car to public transport, walking and cycling will contribute to this goal.

**9...improve air quality.** Air pollution has serious impacts on human health as well as degrading the natural environment. This objective can be achieved through reducing sources of air pollution. Where air pollution cannot be totally excluded careful siting of development should avoid impacts on sensitive receptors.

**10...reduce causes of and adapt to climate change.** International commitments require greenhouse gas emissions to be reduced to lessen their effects on climate. Measures that help reduce energy consumption and enable renewable energy helps mitigate greenhouse gas emissions however adaption is also required to plan for the impacts of climate change.

**11...protect, manage and use water resources sustainably.** This objective encompasses reducing levels of water pollution, sustainable use of water resources, improving the physical state of the water environment and reducing the risk of flooding now and in the future. It meets the requirements of Northern Ireland legislation, strategies and plans in support of the Water Framework Directive and other Directives that relate to water and it takes account of the future impacts of climate change.

**12...protect natural resources and enhance biodiversity.** International obligations which are adopted in Northern Ireland legislation and policies require the protection of biodiversity including flora, fauna and habitats. This is for their intrinsic value and for the wider services that they provide to people, the economy and the environment for example as carbon stores which lessen the effects of climate change. This objective includes protecting and enhancing biodiversity as well as protection of green and blue infrastructure to enhance the services that natural resources provide.

**13...maintain and enhance landscape character.** International and national policies seek to conserve the natural character and landscape of the coast and countryside and protect them from excessive, inappropriate or obtrusive development. This objective seeks to maintain the character and distinctiveness of the area's landscapes and to protect and enhance open

spaces and the setting of prominent features, settlements and transport corridors.

#### **14...protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage.**

The historic environment and cultural heritage are resources that inform our history and bring character and sense of place. They also attract visitors and contribute to the economy and bring vibrancy to the places where we live, work and relax. This can be achieved by protecting and enhancing Conservation Areas, townscapes and other sites of historic and cultural value including their setting.

- 1.24 The scoring and descriptions used in the Sustainability Appraisal are presented in Table 1.

Rating		Description
++	Significant Positive	Policy/ proposal would greatly help to achieve the objective
+	Minor Positive	Policy/ proposal would slightly help to achieve the objective
0	Neutral / no effect	Policy/ proposal would have no overall effect
-	Minor Negative	Policy/ proposal would slightly conflict with the objective
--	Significant Negative	Policy/ proposal would greatly conflict with the objective
?	Uncertain	The effect cannot be predicted because: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the approach has an uncertain relationship to the objective; or</li> <li>the relationship is dependent on the way in which the approach is implemented; or</li> <li>insufficient information may be available to enable an appraisal to be made.</li> </ul>
ST	Short Term	Up to five years
MT	Medium Term	Five to 15 years
LT	Long term	Over 15 years

  

Key:	++ Significant positive effect	+ Minor positive effect	0 No overall effect	- Minor negative effect	-- Significant negative effect	? Score uncertain
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**Table 1: Scoring and Definitions for the Sustainability Matrix**

- 1.25 Development Plan Practice Note 04 Paragraph 9.1a (vi) provides guidance on whether the SA Report should be updated if draft development plan documents (Plan Strategy or Local Policies Plan) are modified. It states “a further appraisal may be required if a change substantially alters the draft plan and may have likely significant effects which have not previously been appraised...” “Modifications to the SA should be proportionate to the level of change being made to the draft plan. Therefore, changes to the draft plan that are not significant should not require any further SA. A council will need to exercise judgement as whether a revised SA report will be required”.
- 1.26 This Addendum has therefore been prepared to document this assessment of the 93 modifications directed by DfI and should be read alongside the original 2019 SA Report. Whilst the Council had previously stated that the entirety of the suggested minor changes outlined in the updated ‘Schedule of Suggested Minor Changes of the DPS’ (June 2022), did not raise issues or impact on the original SA scoring exercise, for the purposes of completeness those suggested minor changes subsequently brought forward as directed modifications have been subject to SA screening.
- 1.27 On adoption of the PS, a Sustainability Appraisal Post Adoption Statement will be prepared in accordance with Regulation 15(4) of the EAPP (NI) Regulations and published on the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council website.

## **2 The Screening of the Directed Modifications**

- 2.1 The Departmental Direction identifies 93 modifications in Schedule 1 which are required within the adopted PS to make it sound. As no new policies have been put forward, this Addendum will therefore only examine whether the modifications to the DPS policies are likely to be significant in terms of the SA.
- 2.2 The modifications have been assessed with regard to their interactions, if any, with the Sustainability Objectives, and their potential to produce significant effects on the specific components of the environment as identified through the Sustainability Framework.

This further addendum includes the following:

- Screening of the Modifications to see if they ‘materially’ change (i.e., change what actions the LDP might inevitably lead to) what the SA assessed, or what the SA assumed about how the LDP would be implemented;
- A detail assessment of the Modifications ‘Screened-In’ and identified as requiring further assessment; and
- Conclusion.

### 3 Conclusion

- 3.1 All 93 modifications listed in Schedule 1 of the Departmental Direction were reviewed in the context of Schedule 1 of The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 to determine whether they substantially modify the DPS and would have any likely significant effects which have not previously been appraised in the original 2019 SA Report.
- 3.2 The screening of the modifications, summarised in Appendix 1 of this report, has found that the vast majority of the modifications would not 'materially' change what the SA initially assessed, or what it assumed about how the LDP would be implemented. These modifications comprise changes to the document for the purposes of clarity, coherence and consistency. They form logical and rational modifications in response to issues raised during the IE and in practice they do not change the aim or purpose of the policy from that originally evaluated in the 2019 SA.
- 3.3 A limited number of modifications were 'Screened –In', requiring further consideration in relation to the potential for implications for the original 2019 SA. A total of four revised assessments were carried out for policies DM 6-8; DM 18; DM 24; and DM 37-39 and 42 and these are presented as Appendix 2 of this Addendum. Following consideration of the 4 updated appraisals, no implications on the overall SA of the Draft Plan Strategy were identified, although there were improvements to the performance of some of the policies against some of the Sustainability Objectives. Following consideration of the updated appraisals, no implications on the overall SA of the Draft Plan Strategy were identified.
- 3.4 Cumulatively, considering all the modifications, there are no implications on the overall SA of the draft Plan Strategy and there will be no likely significant effects on the environment from the implementation of the ANBC plan strategy (as modified by the Departmental Direction).

## **Appendix 1: Review of modifications required to Draft Plan Strategy as per Schedule 1 of DfI Direction.**

DfI Modification	PAC Recommendation	Link to Council's Recommended Amendment No. <sup>1</sup> , if applicable.	Page/Policy/Para No. in DPS	PAC Recommended Amendment	DfI Modification following consideration of Recommended Amendments under Sec. 12 of 2011 Act.	Detailed SA Required?	Reason
<b>MOD 01</b>	RA01	Appendix 2, change 1.	Page 20 Para. 1.15	"Once the Plan Strategy is adopted it will replace the regional operational policies that are currently retained by the Strategic Planning Policy Statement..."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of paragraph 1.15, page 20 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC recommendation, as follows:  "Once the Plan Strategy is adopted it will replace the regional operational policies that are currently retained by the Strategic Planning Policy Statement (comprised of the existing suite of Planning Policy Statements and the remaining extant provisions Planning Strategy for Rural Northern Ireland)."	<b>No</b>	<b>Factual update to introductory text for purposes of consistency and coherence, which has no effect on policy evaluation within the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 02</b>	RA02	Appendix 2, change 2.	Page 26 Para. 2.5	"In addition, there are a large number of other Government Strategies and Plans, such as the Biodiversity Strategy for Northern Ireland and 'Lifetime Opportunities', the Government's Anti-Poverty and Social Inclusion Strategy that, whilst not specifically referenced in this Section, have been taken into account in preparation of the Plan Strategy.	DfI directs the Council to modify paragraph 2.5, page 26 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC recommendation, as follows:  "In addition, there are a large number of other Government Strategies and Plans, such as the Biodiversity Strategy for Northern Ireland and 'Lifetime Opportunities', the Government's Anti- Poverty and Social Inclusion Strategy that, whilst not specifically referenced in this Section, have been taken into account in preparation of the Plan Strategy."	<b>No</b>	<b>Factual update to introductory text for purposes of consistency, which has no effect on policy evaluation within the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 03</b>	RA03	Appendix 2, change 3.	Page 30/31 After Para 2.20	"UK Marine Policy Statement  2.21 The UK Marine Policy Statement (MPS) was published in September 2011 and was prepared and adopted under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009. The statement provides the policy framework for the Marine Planning system and for taking decisions that have the potential to impact on the marine environment. The policy framework will contribute to the achievement of sustainable development in the UK's marine area which includes both offshore and inshore regions including all tidal rivers and sea loughs. As our Borough abuts Belfast Lough, the Plan Strategy has had regard to the provisions of the MPS.  Draft Marine Plan for Northern Ireland.  The draft Marine Plan for Northern Ireland was published in April 2018 by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA). The draft Marine Plan has been developed within the framework of the UK Marine Policy Statement (MPS) in order to protect and sustainably manage the marine environment in Northern Ireland and facilitate sustainable development including coastal areas. The draft Marine Plan will inform and guide the regulation, management, use and protection of our marine area, both the offshore and inshore regions. The draft Marine Plan was	DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting new paragraphs after paragraph 2.20, page 30-31 of the dPS, and renumber subsequent paragraphs as necessary, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Factual update to introductory text for purposes of consistency, which has no effect on policy evaluation within the SA.</b>

<sup>1</sup> Suggested minor changes or Matters Arising submitted during the public examination hearing sessions, as contained within Appendix 2 and 3 of the 'Schedule of Suggested Minor Changes to the DPS (updated as part of the Independent Examination) June 2022. The recommended amendment may reflect a revised wording to that originally suggested by ANBC following consideration of representations, response to questions and discussions under the various topic areas at the IE hearing sessions.

DfI Modification	PAC Recommend	Link to Council's Recommended Amendment No.1, if applicable.	Page/Policy/Para No. In DPS	PAC Recommended Amendment	DfI Modification following consideration of Recommended Amendments under Sec. 12 of 2011 Act.	Detailed SA Required?	Reason
				taken into account in preparing the draft Plan Strategy and will continue to inform the LDP process until such time as it is adopted.  Under Section 8 of the Marine Act (NI) 2013 the Council must take any authorisation or enforcement decision in accordance with any appropriate marine plan unless relevant considerations indicate otherwise".(remaining paragraphs renumbered)			
<b>MOD 04</b>	RA04	Appendix 2, change 4.	Page 58  Strategic Objective 1	"• Promote sustainable growth by managing development and securing new infrastructure provision in our settlements, countryside and coast to meet the needs of all our citizens".	DfI directs the Council to modify Strategic Objective 1, page 58 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification for purposes of consistency, which has no effect on policy evaluation within the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 05</b>	RA05	Appendix 2, change 5.	Page 58  Strategic Objective 3	"• Provide a range and quality of land and premises to facilitate business growth, promote economic diversification and protect our strategically important employment locations including the Regional Gateway at Belfast International Airport".	DfI directs the Council to modify Strategic Objective 3, page 58 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification for purposes of consistency, which has no effect on policy evaluation within the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 06</b>	RA06	Appendix 2, change 6.	Page 59  Strategic Objective 11	"• Promote biodiversity, and conserve the natural assets of our countryside, coast and loughs".	DfI directs the Council to modify Strategic Objective 11, page 59 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification for purposes of coherence and consistency, which has no effect on policy evaluation within the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 07</b>	RA07	Appendix 2, change 7.	Page 62  Policy SP 1.3	Insertion of new paragraph,  "SP 1.3 In addition any development proposal which affects or might affect the whole or any part of the marine area of Belfast Lough must accord with the provisions of the UK Marine Policy Statement and the Draft Marine Plan for NI once adopted unless relevant considerations indicate otherwise."  (remaining paragraphs renumbered).	DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting a new paragraph after paragraph SP 1.2, page 62 of the dPS, and renumber the subsequent paragraphs, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 08</b>	RA08	Appendix 2, change 8.	Page 63  Policy SP 1.4	"...to allow proper consideration of the impacts of the development (to include where relevant impacts on the marine area) and any mitigation measures proposed."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of SP1.4, page 63 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "To assist the delivery of sustainable development, the Council will require developers to provide impact assessments in association with planning applications where this is necessary to allow proper consideration of the impacts of the development (to include where relevant impacts on the marine area) and any mitigation measures proposed."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>

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<b>MOD 09</b>	RA09	Appendix 2, change 9.	Page 65 Policy SP 1.6	"(g) Afford suitable protection to our Borough's natural and historic environment, including the adjacent marine environment, in accommodating growth..."	DfI directs the Council to modify criterion (g) of the Spatial Growth Strategy, page 65 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 10</b>	RA10	n/a	Page 67 Policy SP 1.11	Replace term 'brownfield land' to 'previously developed land'	DfI directs the Council to modify Policy SP1.11 of page 67 of the dPS, by retaining the term "brownfield land" and inserting a footnote at "brownfield land", to read:  "RDS 2035 (page 106) definition of brownfield land: This is sometimes referred to as previously developed land that is, or was occupied by a permanent structure within a defined Settlement limit".  Furthermore, DfI directs the council to insert the phrase "within settlements", after "In all locations". For clarity this policy should read;  "In all locations, within settlements, proposals that reuse or make better use of vacant, derelict or underused brownfield land (footnote number) or buildings will be supported where they are in accordance with the relevant policies of the LDP".	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 11</b>	RA11	Appendix 2, change 10.	Page 68 Para 4.2	"...the careful management of our historic environment and natural heritage, including the adjacent marine area. The Plan..."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of paragraph 4.2, page 68 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity this should read:  "As such, the LDP seeks to further sustainable development through its policies and designations which balance the social and economic priorities of our Borough alongside the careful management of our historic environment and natural heritage, including the adjacent marine area."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of justification wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 12</b>	RA12	n/a	Page 70 Para 4.7	Insert (villages and hamlets) after the term 'smaller settlements'	DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting "(villages and hamlets)" after the term "smaller settlements" in the last sentence of paragraph 4.7, page 70 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "Our Strategic Growth Strategy also recognises the importance of sustaining our Borough's rural community and seeks to allow appropriate growth in our smaller settlements (villages and hamlets) and the countryside."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of justification wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 13</b>	RA13	Appendix 3, MA018	Page 71 Para 4.11	MA0018  Additional paragraph:  "4.11 The sustainability of development schemes will also be improved through the use of an appropriate balance of new	DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting an additional paragraph after paragraph 4.10, page 71 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of justification wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>

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				construction materials and recycled materials wherever feasible."			
<b>MOD 14</b>	n/a	n/a	Page 78 Policy SP 2.8	n/a	DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting an additional sentence (highlighted below) at end of SP2.8, page 78, of the dPS. For clarity this will read as follows:  "Until such times as the boundary of the SEL is identified at BIA, the Council will operate a presumption in favour of a wide range of industrial, business, airport related, and other complementary employment and service uses on the lands currently zoned at this location for airport related uses. In addition, the Council will in principle, support development at BIA that accords with or complements the published Airport Masterplan 2030. Proposals for retail and other town centre uses at this location must comply with all relevant retail policies set out elsewhere in the plan strategy including policies SP2.12 and DM7."	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of clarity, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 15</b>	n/a	n/a	Pages 84 and 87 Para 5.18 & 5.19 Fig. 5 map		DfI directs the Council to modify paragraph 5.18, page 84 of the dPS, as follows:  "Based on the Retail and Commercial Leisure Study undertaken in support of the Plan Strategy, the Council has identified a retail hierarchy that recognises the traditional town centres of Antrim, Ballyclare, Crumlin and Randalstown, with a town centre also identified at Glengormley in Metropolitan Newtownabbey These are complemented by district centres at Northcott and Whiteabbey Village."  Furthermore, DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of paragraph 5.19, page 84 of the dPS, as follows:  "Whilst the five town centres vary greatly in size and the level of provision of services afforded, they all perform an important function in meeting the needs of residents within their surrounding catchment areas."  Also, DfI directs the Council to modify the map entitled "Figure 5: Hierarchy of Centres in our Borough" by removing the reference to "Abbey Centre" under "Large Town Centre". DfI directs the Council to renumber the titles and reflect this in the map accordingly.	No	<b>Modification to justification text to take account of policy modification directed under MOD 16.</b>  <b>See MOD 16 for consideration of implications of policy change for SA.</b>

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MOD 16	RA14	Appendix 2, Change 11	Pages 78-79  Policy SP 2.12	Table 4 amended to read: <table><tr><th>Tier</th><th>Title</th><th>Role and Function</th><th>Centres</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Large Town Centres</td><td>Provides (or has the potential to provide) a range of shops, services, businesses and community facilities to a significant hinterland which includes smaller neighbouring towns or a number of suburbs.</td><td>Abbey Centre and Antrim</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Town Centres</td><td>Provides (or has the potential to provide) a range of shops, services, businesses and community facilities to a hinterland which includes neighbouring villages or a few surrounding suburbs.</td><td>Ballyclare, Crumlin, Glengumney, and Runcratstown</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>District Centres</td><td>Provides (or has the potential to provide) a range of shops, services, businesses and community facilities to a suburban community.</td><td>Northcott and Whiteabbey Village</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Local Centres</td><td>Provides (or has the potential to provide) a range of shops and services to a surrounding community.</td><td><b>Urban</b> <u>Metropolitan Newtownabbey</u> Abbot's Cross, Ballyduff, Beverley Road, Cammerney, Cloughfern, The Diamond (Rathcoole), Jennings Park, Kingspark/Kings Crescent, Mallusk, Mayfield, Merville Garden Village, Monkstown, Mossley West and Richmond. <u>Antrim</u> Greystone and Parkhall <b>Rural</b> Ballynure, Doagh, Parkgate, Templepatrick, and Toome</td></tr></table>	Tier	Title	Role and Function	Centres	1	Large Town Centres	Provides (or has the potential to provide) a range of shops, services, businesses and community facilities to a significant hinterland which includes smaller neighbouring towns or a number of suburbs.	Abbey Centre and Antrim	2	Town Centres	Provides (or has the potential to provide) a range of shops, services, businesses and community facilities to a hinterland which includes neighbouring villages or a few surrounding suburbs.	Ballyclare, Crumlin, Glengumney, and Runcratstown	3	District Centres	Provides (or has the potential to provide) a range of shops, services, businesses and community facilities to a suburban community.	Northcott and Whiteabbey Village	4	Local Centres	Provides (or has the potential to provide) a range of shops and services to a surrounding community.	<b>Urban</b> <u>Metropolitan Newtownabbey</u> Abbot's Cross, Ballyduff, Beverley Road, Cammerney, Cloughfern, The Diamond (Rathcoole), Jennings Park, Kingspark/Kings Crescent, Mallusk, Mayfield, Merville Garden Village, Monkstown, Mossley West and Richmond. <u>Antrim</u> Greystone and Parkhall <b>Rural</b> Ballynure, Doagh, Parkgate, Templepatrick, and Toome	DfI directs the council to modify Table 4 within Policy SP2.12, page 79 of the dPS, in accordance with the PAC recommended Table 4.  DfI further directs Council to modify this amended Table 4, to remove Abbey Centre from Tier 1, Large Town Centres.	No  Yes	Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.  Modifications to the policy may have an impact on the implementation of the policy on the sustainability objectives. (See Appendix 2)
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MOD 17	RA15	Appendix 3, MA001	Page 78  Policy SP 2.12	See MA001 Change to heading:  "Retail Centres and the Retail Hierarchy"	DfI directs the Council to modify by replacing the heading "Town Centres and Retailing" with the heading "Retail Centres and the Retail Hierarchy" at SP2.12, page 78 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.																				
MOD 18	RA16	Appendix 2, Change 12	Page 89  Policy DM 1.4	"(c) The alternative use proposed would not result in conflict or be incompatible with the remaining businesses at the site or be materially detrimental to the specific character and amenity of the immediate area."	DfI directs the Council to modify by replacing criterion (c), page 89 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.																				
MOD 19	RA17	n/a	Page 94  Policy DM 4	Inclusion of Forestry development in Policy DM4	DfI directs the Council to modify the title of policy DM4, page 94 of the dPS, to include the word "forestry". For clarity, the title should read:  "Policy DM4: Agricultural and Forestry Development"  DfI also directs the Council to modify the following sections of Policy DM4, page 94-95, of the dPS, to include forestry development. For clarity this should read as follows:  The first sentence of DM4.1 to be modified as:	No	Modification of justification and policy wording for purposes of clarity, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.																				

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					<p>"The Council will support proposals for a new agricultural building(s), forestry development or other development ancillary....."</p> <p>The second sentence of DM4.2 to be modified as:</p> <p>"Exceptionally, a lesser period may be acceptable, but only where the applicant is actively engaged in farming or forestry, and it is demonstrated that the proposal is necessary to meet the needs of a farm or forestry business that has been in operation for at least 12 months."</p> <p>Policy DM 4.3 (a) should be modified as:</p> <p>"(a) It is essential for the efficient functioning of the farm or forestry business;"</p> <p>Policy DM 4.4 should be modified as:</p> <p>"Development proposals involving intensive farming, forestry or animal husbandry must demonstrate that they will not result in any significant adverse health or environmental effects, particularly in relation to ammonia production."</p> <p>Furthermore, DfI directs the Council to modify the Policy section heading above paragraph 5.34 and paragraphs 5.34 -5.36, pages 93-94, of the dPS to include forestry.</p> <p>For clarity, the title should read:</p> <p>"Agricultural and Forestry Development".</p> <p>The second line of paragraph 5.34 should be modified as follows:</p> <p>"The aim of this policy is to ensure that the operational development needs of farm and forestry businesses are managed in an appropriate way..."</p> <p>Paragraph 5.35 should be modified as follows:</p> <p>"Our Borough has a well-established agricultural and forestry community and business sector which contributes significantly to the local economy and is vital in maintaining a vibrant rural community. As agricultural and forestry business needs change and in order to ensure the longevity of a farm or forestry enterprise and maintain employment in the agricultural and forestry sector, new or extended buildings may be required."</p> <p>Finally, paragraph 5.36 should be modified as follows:</p>		

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					"In bringing forward proposals, the applicant will be required to demonstrate a need for any new or extended agricultural or forestry buildings and that these are sensitively integrated into the landscape and will not cause any significant adverse impacts on amenity, human health or the environment."		
<b>MOD 20</b>	RA18	Appendix 2, Change 13	Page 98 Policy DM 6.1	<p>"The Council will encourage and support a diverse range of retail and Complementary town centre uses* within our Borough's identified centres provided these support rather than detract from the successful functioning of the centres and their ability to meet local needs.</p> <p>All development proposals should contribute positively to the vitality and viability of the centre, and will be required to demonstrate that they will maintain or enhance the visual amenity of the area by providing an active and attractive frontage appropriate to the location".</p> <p>Footnote *Complementary town centre uses include cultural and community facilities, leisure, entertainment and business uses, including offices."</p>	DfI directs the Council to modify the introductory text of DM 6.1, delete criterion (c) and add footnote to the term "complimentary town centre uses", page 98 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 21</b>	RA19	Appendix 3, MA003	Page 98 Policy DM 6.2	<p>MA003</p> <p>"Proposals that would result in the loss of retail units will only be permitted where it is demonstrated that the retail use of the unit is no longer viable (e.g. evidence to show that despite marketing of the unit/building for at least 6 months there has been no interest shown) and this will not result in a concentration of non-retail uses that would be harmful to the shopping function of the centre."</p>	DfI directs the Council to modify Policy DM 6.2 to replace "12 months" with "6 months" at page 98 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 22</b>	RA20		Page 98 Policy DM 6	<p>Additional paragraph to be added after DM 6.4,</p> <p>"District and Local Centres</p> <p>A Retail Assessment will be required for any development proposal that involves an increase of more than 1,000 m2 (gross) of retail floor space in District and Local Centres. The Retail Assessment should provide a proportionate response to the proposal being sought and incorporate an assessment of need, impact and the sequential test. This includes applications for an extension/s which would result in the overall development exceeding 1000 square metre gross external area."</p>	DfI directs the Council to modify Policy DM 6 by inserting an additional paragraph after current DM 6.4 to the policy box at page 98 of the dPS in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 23</b>	RA21	Appendix 3 MA004.A	Page 99 Para 5.42	<p>MA004A</p> <p>"The aim of this policy is to protect the role, viability and vitality of town centres from the adverse impacts ..."</p>	<p>DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of paragraph 5.42, page 99 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.</p> <p>It is noted that the correct reference is 'MA004.A'.</p>	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of justification wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>

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<b>MOD 24</b>	RA22	Appendix 3 MA005.A	Page 100 Policy DM 7.1 & 7.2	See MA005A  "In considering development proposals for retail use (including extensions) and other main town centre uses outside our Borough's centres, the Council will apply the following sequential test which requires that locations for new development be considered in the following order of preference: Centre sites; Edge of Centre sites; and Out of Centre locations that are, or can be made, accessible by walking, cycling and public transport."	DfI directs the Council to modify Policy 7.1, page 100 of the dPS, to remove "which generate significant footfall" and "town" in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity this should read:  "In considering development proposals for retail use (including extensions) and other main town centre uses outside our Borough's centres, the Council will apply the following sequential test which requires that locations for new development be considered in the following order of preference: • Centre sites*; • Edge of Centre sites; and • Out of Centre locations that are, or can be made, accessible by walking, cycling and public transport."  DfI also directs the Council to insert an asterix at Centre sites in the first bullet point to read:  *"To be applied in the following order of Large Town Centres, Town Centres, and then District Centres."  It is noted that the correct reference is 'MA005.A'.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 25</b>	RA23	Appendix 3 MA005.B	Page 100 Policy DM 7.2	See MA005B  "Proposals for retail use and other main town centre uses in out of centre locations will only be acceptable where, having regard to the expected catchment of the development, all of the following criteria are demonstrated: All centre and edge of centre options have been assessed and discounted as unsuitable, unviable or unavailable. Where there are multiple centres within the defined catchment area, the order of preference should be to develop in the higher order centre; The scale of development proposed is appropriate to its location, and it has been shown that the proposal cannot reasonably be altered or reduced in scale to allow it to be accommodated at a sequentially preferable location; There will be no significant individual or cumulative adverse effect on the vitality and viability of existing centres within the catchment; The proposal will help to meet qualitative or quantitative deficiencies; and The site can be easily accessed by a range of transport modes."	DfI directs the Council to modify Policy 7.2, page 100 of the dPS, to delete "which generate significant footfall" and "town" in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.  It is noted that the correct reference is 'MA005.B'.  For clarity, this should read as follows:  "Proposals for retail use and other main town centre uses in out of centre locations will only be acceptable where, having regard to the expected catchment of the development, all of the following criteria are demonstrated: (a) All centre and edge of centre options have been assessed and discounted as unsuitable, unviable or unavailable. Where there are multiple centres within the defined catchment area, the order of preference should be to develop in the higher order centre; (b) The scale of development proposed is appropriate to its location, and it has been shown that the proposal cannot reasonably be altered or reduced in scale to allow it to be accommodated at a sequentially preferable location; (c) There will be no significant individual or cumulative adverse effect on the vitality and viability of existing centres within the catchment;	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>

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					(d) The proposal will help to meet qualitative or quantitative deficiencies; and (e) The site can be easily accessed by a range of transport modes."		
<b>MOD 26</b>	RA24	Appendix 3 MA005.C	Page 101 Policy DM 7.5	See MA005C  "A Retail Assessment will be required for any development proposal that involves an increase of more than 1,000 m2 (gross) of retail floor space outside any of our Borough's centres. This includes applications for an extension(s) which would result in the overall development exceeding 1,000 m2 gross external area. The Retail Assessment should provide a proportionate response to the proposal being sought and incorporate an assessment of need, impact and the sequential test."	DfI directs the Council to modify Policy DM 7.5, page 101 of the dPS in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.  It is noted that the correct reference is 'MA005.C'.	<b>No</b>	<b>Introduces new policy for extensions</b>  <b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 27</b>	RA25	Appendix 2 Change 18	Page 104 Policy DM 9.4	"For new hotels and guesthouses, preference will be given to developments that are physically associated with existing settlements or which involve the sympathetic conversion of a locally important building. In other cases where a guesthouse or hotel accommodation is proposed in a countryside location a specific locational need must be demonstrated."	DfI directs the Council to amend the second sentence of DM9.4, page 104 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 28</b>	RA26		Page 105 Policy DM 9.10	"...(d) Satisfactory information is submitted for proposals in the countryside to demonstrate a robust business case for the development; The extent to which the proposal will promote a sustainable form of development and complement the Council's Tourism Strategy; and existing or planned public access to tourism assets, including landscape features and the coast, are safeguarded or enhanced."	DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting an additional criterion (f) at DM9.10, page 105 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.  For clarity, this should read as follows: "DM 9.10 Developers will be required to submit a supporting statement to accompany all proposals for tourism development that demonstrates how the proposal meets the following criteria: (a) The development is compatible with policies to safeguard and enhance the historic environment and natural heritage assets; (b) There is a high quality of design and the scale and nature of the development will allow for its integration into the receiving environment; (c) The development is proposed at an accessible location and adequate infrastructure arrangements can be provided (e.g. roads, parking, drainage); (d) Satisfactory information is submitted for proposals in the countryside to demonstrate a robust business case for the development; (e) The extent to which the proposal will promote a sustainable form of development and complement the Council's Tourism Strategy; and (f) Existing or planned public access to tourism assets, including landscape features and the coast, are safeguarded or enhanced."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>

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<b>MOD 29</b>	RA27	Appendix 2, Change 20	Page 112 Policy SP 3.9	"...complementary measures for the overall delivery of more sustainable travel patterns and to reduce the level of private car use."	Dfl directs the Council to modify by inserting this additional text at the end of the second sentence of SP3.9, page 112 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 30</b>	RA28	Appendix 2, Change 21	Page 115 Para 6.15	"The LDP will be supported by a Local Transport Study (LTS) prepared by Dfl..."	Dfl directs the Council to modify by replacing the phrase "Transport Strategy" with the phrase "Transport Study", in the first sentence of paragraph 6.15, page 115 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of justification wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 31</b>	RA29	Appendix 2, Change 22	Page 118 Policy DM 10.1	"...(a) There is the capacity on the road network to accommodate the type and amount of traffic likely to be generated, or where any adverse impact can be suitably mitigated, taking into account the cumulative impacts of development; (b) Access arrangements do not prejudice road safety or significantly inconvenience the flow of people or goods; and...."	Dfl directs the Council to modify by amending criteria (a) and (b) of DM10.1, page 118 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 32</b>	RA30	Appendix 2, Change 23	Page 119 Para 6.21	"A properly located and well-designed access* is essential for the safety and convenience..."  Insert the following footnote, *For the purposes of DM 10 and DM 11 a field gate does not constitute an access.	Dfl directs the Council to modify by inserting an asterisk after "access" in the first sentence of 6.21 and a corresponding footnote, at page 119 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of amplification wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 33</b>	RA31	n/a	Page 120 Policy DM11.3(b)	the prefix 'sub' to be deleted	Dfl directs the Council to modify by deleting the prefix "sub" in the first sentence of DM11.3(b), at page 120 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 34</b>	RA32	n/a	Page 121 Policy DM11.4(b)	The Plan should refer to road safety	Dfl directs the Council to modify DM11.4(b) of page 121 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. This wording has been established in paragraph 5.81 of the PAC Report on the Independent Examination and for clarity, should read :  "A residential proposal, which assists in the creation of a high quality urban design without compromising standards of road safety and does not result in an excessive number of additional access points onto the Protected Route."	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 35</b>	RA33	Appendix 2, Change 24	Page 121 Policy DM12.1(b)	"... (b) Safe, convenient and attractive walking and cycle linkages to existing or programmed networks nearby;..."	Dfl directs the Council to modify DM12.1(b), at page 121 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 36</b>	RA34	Appendix 2,	Page 126	See MA006	Dfl directs the Council to modify DM14.1(c), at page 126 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not</b>

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		Change 25	Policy DM14.1(c)	"...(c) The proposal will not have an unacceptable adverse impact on local amenity or the environment."	Please note, the reference to MA006 is incorrect. MA006 is dealt with under RA36 below.		<b>alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 37</b>	RA35	n/a	Page 126 Policy DM 14.2	Insert the word 'unacceptable' before 'adverse impacts'	DfI directs the Council to modify DM14.2, at page 126 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 38</b>	RA36	Appendix 3, MA006	Page 126 Policy DM14.3(a)	"...(a) They avoid areas identified for their landscape importance as set out in SP 8 except where it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Council that this is not feasible"	DfI directs the Council to modify DM14.3(a), at page 126 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.  Please note that this is MA006.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 39</b>	RA37	Appendix 2, Change 27	Page 127 Policy DM 14.4	Amended paragraph 14.4, new paragraph 14.5 & new footnote:  "DM 14.4 Proposals involving development within the vicinity of a wastewater treatment works* will only..."  "DM 14.5 In assessing proposals the Council will also take into account the provisions of any relevant policy or guidance produced by Northern Ireland Water."  *For the purposes of this policy a Waste Water Treatment Work (WWTW) includes a Waste Water Pumping Station (WWPS)."	DfI directs the Council to modify DM14.4, insert a new paragraph after 14.4 and insert a corresponding footnote at page 126 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 40</b>	RA38	Appendix 2, Change 28	Page 128 Policy DM 16.4	New footnote inserted:  "DM 14.6 Applications for telecommunications development by Code System Operators* or broadcasters will need to include: information about the purpose and need for the particular development including a description of how it fits into the operator's or broadcaster's wider network; details of the consideration given to measures to mitigate the visual and environmental impact of the proposal; and where the proposal relates to the development of a mobile telecommunications base station, a statement indicating the following: Its location, the height of the antenna, the frequency and modulation characteristics and details of power output; Declaring that the base station when operational will meet the ICNIRP guidelines for public exposure to electromagnetic fields; and That the development shall not cause undue interference to other radio spectrum users.  * As defined under The Communications Act 2003."	DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting an asterisk after the term "Code System Operators" at DM16.4 and a corresponding footnote, at page 128 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. Please note, reference to DM 14.6 within RA 38 is incorrect, this RA relates to DM16.4. For clarity, this should read as follows: "DM 16.4 Applications for telecommunications development by Code System Operators* or broadcasters will need to include: (a) information about the purpose and need for the particular development including a description of how it fits into the operator's or broadcaster's wider network; (b) details of the consideration given to measures to mitigate the visual and environmental impact of the proposal; and (c) where the proposal relates to the development of a mobile telecommunications base station, a statement indicating the following: • Its location, the height of the antenna, the frequency and modulation characteristics and details of power output;	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Declaring that the base station when operational will meet the ICNIRP guidelines for public exposure to electromagnetic fields; and</li> <li>• That the development shall not cause undue interference to other radio spectrum users.</li> </ul> <p>* As defined under The Communications Act 2003."</p>		
<b>MOD 41</b>	RA39	Partially as suggested under Appendix 3, MA021	Page 139 & 140 Para 7.24	<p>See MA021</p> <p>Additional paragraph and subsequent renumbering of relevant paragraphs:</p> <p>"7.24 For the purposes of the Plan, the definition of Affordable Housing is the same as the definition used in the Strategic Planning Policy Statement.</p> <p>7.25 In order..."</p>	<p>DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting a new paragraph after 7.23, at page 140 of the dPS as follows:</p> <p>"7.24 The current definition of affordable housing, which is provided by the Department for Communities is contained in Planning policy, specifically the Strategic Planning Policy Statement – SPPS.</p> <p>7.25 In order..."</p>	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of justification wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 42</b>	RA40	Appendix 3, MA026	Page 143 Policy DM17.1(d)	"(d) For proposals of 20 units or more, a minimum of 20% must demonstrate how the 'Lifetime Homes' approach has been taken account of, to ensure that new developments are accessible to all and will assist in the creation of a more balanced community; ...."	<p>DfI directs the Council to modify DM17.1 (d), page 143 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.</p> <p>Note: this is MA026</p>	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 43</b>	RA41	Appendix 3, MA027	Page 144 Policy DM 17.5	<p>See MA027</p> <p>Additional paragraph and subsequent renumbering:</p> <p>"DM 17.5 Where it is demonstrated that a development is not viable, a reduced or alternative provision of affordable housing may be acceptable."</p>	DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting a new first paragraph at DM17.5 and renumber subsequent paragraphs as necessary, page 144 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 44</b>	RA42	Appendix 3, MA025.A	Page 145 Para 7.34	<p>See MA025A</p> <p>Additional paragraph and renumbering of successive paragraphs:</p> <p>"7.34 Details of the requirements of the Lifetime Homes standards can be obtained from the Department for Communities website at: <a href="https://www.communitiesni.gov.uk/articles/housing-association-guide">https://www.communitiesni.gov.uk/articles/housing-association-guide</a>"</p>	<p>DfI directs the Council to modify by inserting a new paragraph after 7.33 and renumber subsequent paragraphs as necessary, page 145/146 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.</p> <p>It is noted that the correct reference is 'MA025.A'.</p>	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of justification wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 45</b>	RA43	Appendix 3, MA029	Page 148 Policy DM18.3(b)	<p>See MA029</p> <p>"No dwellings or residential development opportunities have been sold off or transferred from the farm holding within a period of 10 years from the date of the application and no previous permissions have been granted for a farm dwelling during the same period; and....."</p>	DfI directs the Council to modify DM18.3(b), page 148 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 46</b>	RA44	N/a	Page 149	"Exceptionally, where it is demonstrated that it is not possible to sensitively cluster with an established group of buildings as per DM 18.3(c), consideration may be given ... where this	DfI directs the Council to modify DM18.4, page 149 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and</b>

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			Policy DM 18.4	would have a limited impact on the character and appearance of the countryside"	"Exceptionally, where it is demonstrated that it is not possible to sensitively cluster with an established group of buildings as per DM 18.3(c), consideration may be given to locating the new farm dwelling on a well-defined site on the holding that is enclosed by significant, long established boundary planting, where this would have a limited impact on the character and appearance of the countryside"		<b>consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 47</b>	<b>N/a</b>	N/a	Page 150 & 157 Policy DM18.8		DfI directs council to modify by deleting Policy DM18.8 and figure 9, page 150 of the dPS.  Furthermore, DfI directs council to modify by deleting the last sentence of paragraph 7.50, page 157, of the DPS.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Modifications to the policy may have an impact on the implementation of the policy on the Sustainability Objectives. (See Appendix 2)</b>
<b>MOD 48</b>	RA45	Partially as suggested under Appendix 3, MA032	Page 150 Policy DM18.10	See MA032  "However in all cases, buildings designed and used for agricultural purposes, such as sheds, and temporary buildings, will not be eligible for replacement under this policy."	DfI directs the Council to modify Policy DM18.10, page 150 of the dPS, for clarity this should read as follows:  "However, in all cases, temporary buildings and buildings designed and used for agricultural purposes (such as sheds), will not be eligible for replacement under this policy."  Note: DfI have reworded MA032 for clarity.  Furthermore, DfI also direct council to modify the last sentence of paragraph 7.51, page 157 of the dPS, as follows:  However, it should be noted that temporary buildings (such as caravans and mobile homes) and agricultural buildings (such as sheds) are not eligible for replacement under this policy.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 49</b>	<b>N/a</b>	N/a	Page 154 Policy DM18 (g)		DfI directs the Council to modify policy DM18G, paragraph DM18.29, page 154, of the dPS by inserting a footnote after the phrase "small group of dwellings in the countryside". The corresponding footnote should read:  "*No more than 14 dwellings"	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and certainty, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 50</b>	RA46	Appendix 3, MA034	Page 161 Policy DM 20.2	See MA034  "Where a need is identified for a transit site or a serviced site which cannot readily be met within an existing settlement in the locality, proposals will also be required to meet the provision of Policy DM 18.31".	DfI directs the Council to modify DM20.2, page 161 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 51</b>	RA47	N/a	Page 164 Policy DM 22	the information contained in Annex A of the Addendum to PPS7 – Residential Extensions and Alterations should be replicated in the PS	DfI directs the Council to modify Policy DM 22.2, page 164, of the dPS, as follows: "The Council will take account of the guidance set out in Appendix B of the Plan Strategy, which replicates the details included in Annex A of the Addendum to Planning Policy	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording to identify location of SPG text, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>

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					Statement 7: Residential Extensions and Alterations (DoE 2008)".  DfI are content this raises no issues of copyright.  It is noted relevant content will be from page 10 -20 of this document. References to "The Department" should be changed to "The Council" where appropriate, as well as references to PPS7, which will be superseded by the PS. These changes would be covered under MOD93.		
<b>MOD 52</b>	RA48	Appendix 2, Change 30	Page 175  Para 8.18	"Examples of significant ... may include the provision of affordable housing where a demonstrable local need....."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of paragraph 8.18, page 175 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read as follows:  "Examples of significant community benefit acceptable under the policy may include the provision of affordable housing where a demonstrable local need is identified or the development of a local facility which has the support of the wider community"	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of amplification wording for purposes of clarification and consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA.</b>
<b>MOD 53</b>	RA49	N/a	Page 178  Policy DM 24.2	Relocate DM 24.2 under the heading 'Development in the Countryside'	DfI directs the Council to relocate DM24.2 under the heading "Development in the Countryside", page 178 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 54</b>	RA50	Appendix 3, MA017.A	Page 178 & 179  Policy DM 24.4 (b)	See MA017A  "(b) There would be an overall community benefit from a development and the particular loss of land and facilities will have no significant effect on the overall provision of facilities in the locality; or....."	DfI directs the Council to modify DM24.4(b), page 179 of the dPS, to change the word "gain" to "benefit" in accordance with the PAC Recommended Amendment.  It should be noted that the correct reference is 'MA017.A'.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 55</b>	RA51	Appendix 3, MA017.B	Page 179  Policy DM 24.5	See MA017B  DM 24.5 to sit under a new sub-heading entitled: "Community Facilities within Residential Developments"	DfI directs the Council to insert a new sub-heading "Community Facilities within Residential Developments" above DM24.5, page 179 of the dPS, in accordance with the PAC Recommended Amendment.  It should be noted that the correct reference is 'MA017.B'.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 56</b>	N/a	N/a	Page 178 & 179  Policy DM 24		Further to the changes above within RA49-51, DfI also directs council to modify DM24.2, DM24.3 and DM24.6, page 178-179, of the dPS, as detailed below. For clarity Policy DM24: Community facilities has been written out in full to include the changes at RA49-51 (above) and the further changes directed by DfI within this modification.  Policy DM24:	<b>YES</b>	<b>Modifications to the policy may have an impact on the implementation of the policy on the Sustainability Objectives. (See Appendix 2)</b>

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					<p>Community Facilities Development within Settlements</p> <p>DM 24.1 - The Council will support proposals that provide new or enhanced community facilities and services. New facilities should be located within or adjacent to town, district or local centres or other locations that are easily accessible by public transport, walking and cycling.</p> <p>Development in the Countryside Edge of Settlement</p> <p>DM 24.2 – In exceptional circumstances, where it is demonstrated that there is no alternative site within a settlement, the Council will support a community facility, including intensive sports facilities, at an accessible location on the edge of a settlement where the proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Represents a logical extension to the built- up area;</li> <li>(b) Is of an appropriate scale in relation to the size of the settlement; and</li> <li>(c) Will not cause any significant adverse effect on the landscape setting or character of the settlement.</li> </ul> <p>Other countryside locations</p> <p>DM 24.3 – With the exception of Intensive Sports Facilities, the Council will sympathetically view proposals for new community buildings and facilities, including appropriate outdoor recreational, sporting and play facilities at accessible locations in the countryside. All proposals will be required to demonstrate an identified local need and accord with the other policies of this plan.</p> <p>Reuse of Existing Community Facilities</p> <p>DM24.4 - The Council will not support development that may be detrimental to or result in the loss of community services and facilities. In exceptional circumstances, the Council will support development, which seeks to reuse or redevelop an existing community facility for another purpose whereby:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The facility is surplus to the needs of the community;</li> <li>(b) There would be an overall community benefit from a development and the particular loss of land and facilities will have no significant effect on the overall provision of facilities in the locality; or</li> <li>(c) Alternative provision or equivalent community recreational benefit is made available at a suitable location within the local area.</li> </ul> <p>Community Facilities within Residential Developments</p>		

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					<p>DM 24.5 - New residential development should be designed to ensure good accessibility to existing services and facilities intended to serve future residents and where appropriate developers may be required to provide or contribute towards new and/or enhanced community infrastructure arising as a result of the development.</p> <p>DM 24.6 - For the purposes of this policy, community facilities includes sports and recreation facilities (including intensive sports facilities) as well as a range of community and public buildings.</p> <p>Furthermore, DfI directs council to modify the amplification text on page 179 of the dPS, by inserting new wording within paragraph 8.25, a new paragraph at 8.26 and subsequent re- numbering of remaining paragraphs.</p> <p>Amplification</p> <p>8.25 New community facilities should be located in places that promote accessibility for the communities they are intended to serve. Whilst the majority of facilities will be located within or, exceptionally, adjacent to our Borough's settlements. It is also recognised that certain facilities at an appropriate scale may also be acceptable at accessible locations in the countryside where a demonstrable case of need can be made.</p> <p>8.26 An intensive sports facility is a purpose built or outdoor resource which facilitates one or more activity fundamental to maintaining individual health and fitness. This may include stadia, sports halls, leisure centres, swimming pools, and other indoor (and outdoor) sports facilities. The precise location of such facilities can be contentious, and by their very nature and scale can give rise to particularly complex planning considerations such as impact on sustainability issues and amenity, for example, through floodlighting. Such facilities shall be located within settlements in order to maximise the use of existing infrastructure. Where it is demonstrated that there is no suitable site in a settlement such facilities may be permitted in an edge of settlement location subject to the criteria at DM 24.2.</p> <p>8.27 Where a proposal involves a change of use or redevelopment of an existing community facility to a non-community use, the developer will be required to demonstrate that the facility is surplus to the needs of the community and that it is no longer needed or viable for an alternative community use. This will normally entail evidence that the property has been marketed for a meaningful period for community use with no interest shown.</p>		

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					8.28 The Council also considers that it is reasonable for developers to contribute towards the demand arising for new or enhanced community infrastructure as a result of their development. In such cases, the Council may seek to secure the provision or improvement of community facilities, or improved access to such facilities, by way of a planning agreement under Section 76 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011. This may include provision for agreed works to be carried out by the developer or a financial contribution in lieu of such works.		
<b>MOD 57</b>	RA52	Appendix 2, Change 32	Page 184 Policy SP 6.2	"... unique Places of the Borough and assist in the promotion of biodiversity."	DfI directs the Council to modify the SP6.2, page 184 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 58</b>	RA53	Appendix 3, MA007	Page 185 Policy SP 6.4	See MA007 "...all proposals for 10 dwellings or more and all non-residential development of 500m2 internal floorspace or greater to be accompanied by a Design and Access Statement...."	DfI directs the Council to modify the second sentence of SP6.4, page 185 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "The Council will therefore require all proposals for 10 dwellings or more and all non-residential development of 500m2 internal floorspace or greater to be accompanied by a Design and Access Statement."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 59</b>	RA54	Appendix 2, Change 33	Page 192 Para 9.20	"...integrate into their surroundings, assist the promotion of biodiversity and to protect the amenity..."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of paragraph 9.20, page 192 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "The aim of this policy is to promote high quality forms of development which are designed to sympathetically integrate into their surroundings, assist the promotion of biodiversity and to protect the amenity and character of our countryside."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of justification wording for purposes of coherence and consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 60</b>	RA55	Appendix 2, Change 34	Page 194 Policy DM 27.5	"All proposals for development in the countryside will be expected to address biodiversity impact and be accompanied..."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of DM27.5, page 194 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "All proposals for development in the countryside will be expected to address biodiversity impact and be accompanied by a detailed landscaping scheme, which retains or reinstates traditional boundaries and augments existing planting."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 61</b>	RA56	Appendix 2, Change 35	Page 194 Policy DM 27.6	New text "The Council will take account of the supplementary guidance document 'Building on Tradition – A Sustainable Design Guide for the Northern Ireland Countryside' (DfI, 2012)"	DfI directs the Council to modify DM27.6, page 194 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>

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				in assessing the design of all development proposals for new buildings in the countryside."			
<b>MOD 62</b>	RA57	N/a	Page 198 Policy DM 29.2	"An advertisement proposed to be attached to, or within the curtilage of, a Listed Building should be carefully designed and located and special regard must be paid to the desirability of preserving the building or its setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses. Advertisements in Conservation Areas and Areas of Townscape Character should not have an adverse effect on the specific character, appearance and setting of the area".	DfI directs the Council to modify DM29.2, page 198 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 63</b>	RA58	N/a	Page 216 Policy DM 32.4	Change 'Statement of Justification' to 'Statement of Significance'.	DfI directs the Council to modify DM32.4, page 216 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.  Furthermore, DfI directs the council to modify the amplification text at paragraph 10.34 on page 217 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy and amplification wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 64</b>	N/a	N/a	Page 221 Policy DM 33.1		DfI directs the Council to modify DM33.1, page 221 of the dPS as follows:  The Council will only support development within or adjacent to a Conservation Area that enhances the character or appearance of the area where an opportunity to do so arises, or otherwise to preserve its character or appearance and that is consistent with any relevant conservation area guidance."	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 65</b>	RA59	N/a	Page 221 Policy DM33.3(a)	"The proposal accords with the Guiding Principle of Policy paragraph DM 33.2 through the appropriate design, use of materials, detailing, scale, form & massing & arrangement of such development"	DfI directs the Council to modify DM33.3(a), page 221 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 66</b>	N/a	N/a	Page 221 Policy DM 33.5		DfI directs Council to modify the second sentence of Policy DM33.5, page 221, of the dPS, as follows:  "In such cases it must clearly be demonstrated that any redevelopment of the site will enhance the character or appearance of the area where an opportunity to do so arises, or otherwise preserve its character or appearance".	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 67</b>	RA60	Appendix 2, Change 36	Page 236 Policy SP 8.2(b)	"....adverse impact of development, including consideration of potential cumulative effects."	DfI directs the Council to modify the end of SP8.2(b) page 236 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity this should read as follows:  "(b) Applying policies DM37 to DM42 and other relevant policies of the Local Development Plan (LDP) to protect our Borough's natural heritage assets from the adverse impact	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>

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					of development, including consideration of potential cumulative effects."		
<b>MOD 68</b>	RA61	Appendix 2, Change 37	Page 237 Policy SP 8.4	"...the overall landscape character, seascape character and specific..."	DfI directs the Council to modify SP8.4 page 237 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "The Council will operate a presumption in favour of development that protects, and where appropriate enhances, the overall landscape character, seascape character and specific landscape features of our Borough, including its coastline with Belfast Lough."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 69</b>	RA62	Appendix 3, MA013	Page 245 Policy DM 38.2	See MA013  "The Council will support development that is not likely to harm or have an adverse effect on any other statutorily protected species and where any impact arising, can be adequately mitigated or compensated against."	DfI direct the Council to modify Policy DM38.2, page 245, of the dPS, for clarity this should read as follows:  "The Council will support development that is not likely to have an adverse effect on any other statutorily protected species and where any impact arising, can be adequately mitigated or compensated against."  Note: DfI have amended MA013 in line with the PAC IE report at paragraph 7.16.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 70</b>	RA63	Appendix 3, MA011	Page 245 Policy DM 38.4	See MA011  Additional paragraph  "DM 38.4 Where there is potential or evidence to suggest, that a protected species exists on the site or is likely to be impacted by a development proposal, the developer will be required to undertake a suitable ecological appraisal, including where necessary, surveys for protected species."	DfI directs the Council to modify DM38.4 page 245 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of clarity and consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 71</b>	RA64	Appendix 2, Change 38	Page 246 Para 11.27	"Developers will be required to undertake an ecological appraisal, including where necessary surveys for protected species, where there is potential, or evidence to suggest, that they are present on site or..."	DfI directs the Council to modify paragraph 11.27 page 246 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of amplification wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 72</b>	RA65	N/a	Page 247 Policy DM 39.1	"The Council will only permit development likely to result in an unacceptable adverse impact on, or damage to, the features listed below ..."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of DM39.1, page 247 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 73</b>	RA66	Appendix 2, Change 39	Page 247 Policy DM 39.2	"Where there is potential or evidence to suggest, that a habitat..."	DfI directs the Council to modify DM39.2, page 247 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>

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<b>MOD 74</b>	RA67	Appendix 2, Change 40	Page 250 Para 11.35	"....as well as being important economic, recreational and cultural assets."	DfI directs the Council to modify paragraph 11.35, page 250 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of justification wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 75</b>	RA68	Appendix 2, Change 41	Page 251 Policy DM 40.2	".....assessment of landscape impacts a Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment proportionate to the development ....."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of DM40.2, page 251 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "To inform the council's assessment of landscape impacts, a Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment, proportionate to the development in question, will be required to accompany planning applications in the following cases:"	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 76</b>	RA69	n/a	Page 251 Policy DM40.5(b)	"Low intensity recreational uses or low intensity tourism proposals;"	DfI directs the Council to modify DM40.5(b) page 251 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 77</b>	RA70	Appendix 3, MA011	Page 252 Policy DM40.6(b)	See MA014  "Low intensity recreational uses or low intensity tourism proposals;"	DfI directs the Council to modify DM40.6(b) page 252 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of clarity and consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 78</b>	RA71	Appendix 2, Change 42	Page 253 Policy DM41.1(b)	"...the qualities of the coastal landscape (including seascape character) while still protecting..."	DfI directs the Council to modify DM41.1(b) page 253 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "Other development where it can be demonstrated that the proposal will not harm the qualities of the coastal landscape (including seascape character) while still protecting its nature conservation value."	No	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 79</b>	RA72	Appendix 2, Change 43	Page 255 Para 11.43	"...Coastal Policy Area should consider their impact on seascape character and how they can enhance the area".	DfI directs the Council to modify the first paragraph of 11.43 page 255 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "All development proposals along or adjacent to the Belfast Lough Coastal Policy Area should consider their impact on seascape character and how they can enhance the area, including its nature conservation and amenity value."	No	<b>Modification of amplification wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 80</b>	RA73	Appendix 2, Change 44	Page 255 Para 11.44	"...policy provisions set out in this policy, all development proposals which affect or might affect the whole or any part of the marine area (which includes the Belfast Lough Coastal Policy Area) will also be assessed against the provisions within the UK Marine Policy Statement and the ..."	DfI directs the Council to modify paragraph 11.44 page 255 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "It should be noted that in addition to the policy provisions set out in this policy, all development proposals which affect or might affect the whole or any part of the marine area (which includes the Belfast Lough Coastal Policy Area) will also be assessed against the	No	<b>Modification of amplification wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>

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					provisions within the UK Marine Policy Statement and the Northern Ireland Marine Plan, once adopted."		
<b>MOD 81</b>	RA74	Appendix 2, Change 45	Page 256 Policy DM42.1(a)	"...native species planting and that seek to incorporate tree-lined streets within new developments."	DfI directs the Council to modify DM42.1(a), page 256 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Modifications to the policy may have an impact on the implementation of the policy on the Sustainability Objectives. (See Appendix 2)</b>
<b>MOD 82</b>	RA75	Appendix 2, Change 46	Page 262 Policy SP 9.1	"Development will be supported ... will not have an unacceptable adverse impact on the environment, amenity or public safety..."	DfI directs the Council to modify the second sentence of SP9.1, page 262 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, coherence and flexibility does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 83</b>	RA76	N/a	Page 264 & 265 Para 12.11	MA018  Additional paragraph,  "4.11 The sustainability of development schemes will also be improved through the use of an appropriate balance of new construction materials and recycled materials wherever feasible."	DfI directs council to modify by inserting an additional paragraph after paragraph 12.11, page 264-265 of the dPS, in accordance with the Council's schedule of Minor Changes June 2022.  For clarity this should read as follows: "Positive Planning Note – Adding Value: Our Borough has good potential to accommodate further renewable energy schemes in appropriate locations harnessing natural resources such as the sun and wind. The potential also exists across the Borough, and in particular around Antrim and to the north west of Mallusk, for the use of both shallow and deep geothermal energy resources for the production of heat, and possibly electrical power, including at a commercial scale. To promote greater sustainability in new development, the Council encourages developers to examine the potential for renewable energy to be incorporated into their schemes, for example through the use of solar panels or ground source heat pumps."	<b>No</b>	<b>Insertion of new Positive Planning Note, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 84</b>	RA77	Appendix 3, MA009	Page 272 Policy DM45.2(e)	See MA009  "...avoids or adequately resolves any unacceptable adverse impacts including on the..."	DfI directs the Council to modify DM45.2(e), page 272 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "The proposal avoids or adequately resolves any unacceptable adverse impacts including on the historic and natural environment, cultural heritage, biodiversity, woodlands and tourism and recreational interests; and"	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 85</b>	RA78	Appendix 2, Change 49	Page 275 Para 12.28	"...will be required to provide detail on decommissioning and site restoration..."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of paragraph 12.28, page 275 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "Where renewable energy development will eventually become redundant, such as wind and solar farms,	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of amplification wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>

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					applicants will be required to provide detail on decommissioning and site restoration."		
<b>MOD 86</b>	RA79	Appendix 2, Change 50	Page 275 Para 12.28	"...the site to its former or enhanced condition. Where proposals come forward for the re-use, refurbishment, repair or repowering of existing renewable energy development in order to prolong their life span these will be considered on their individual merits in light of the then prevailing policy. The provisions of The Conservation (Natural Habitats, etc.) Regulations (NI) 1995 as amended will also apply to all such proposals".	DfI directs the Council to modify the second sentence of paragraph 12.28, page 275 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "This is to include the removal of all aboveground infrastructure and return the site to its former or enhanced condition. Where proposals come forward for the re-use, refurbishment, repair or repowering of existing renewable energy development in order to prolong their life span these will be considered on their individual merits in light of the then prevailing policy. The provisions of The Conservation (Natural Habitats, etc.) Regulations (NI) 1995 as amended will also apply to all such proposals".	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of amplification wording for purposes of coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 87</b>	RA80	Partially as suggested under Appendix 2, Change 51	Page 288 Para 13.21	Additional text to paragraph 13.21  "It should demonstrate that: (a) all sources of flood risk to and from the proposed development have been identified; and (b) there are adequate measures to manage and mitigate any increase in flood risk arising from the development."	DfI directs the Council to modify Policy DM46.2, page 287 of the dPS, by inserting the text detailed in the PAC recommended amended into policy rather than J&A. For clarity the last sentence of Policy DM46.2 should read:  "These should be set out in the accompanying FRA (flood risk assessment) and should demonstrate that: (a) All sources of flood risk to and from the proposed development have been identified; and (b) There are adequate measures to manage and mitigate any increase in flood risk arising from the development".	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 88</b>	RA81	Appendix 2, Change 52	Page 291 Policy DM 47.5	"...use of the following measures to assist in minimising flood risk: 'soft' SuDS measures e.g. green roofs; swales; soakaways; basins; ponds; wetlands; and rainwater recycling, 'hard' SuDS measures e.g. oversized storm water pipes with flow control attenuation tanks and permeable paving."	DfI directs the Council to modify DM47.5, page 291 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity this should read as follows:  " In the case of development accompanied by a DA, the Council will expect applicants to demonstrate that they have considered use of the following measures to assist in minimising flood risk: 'soft' SuDS measures e.g. green roofs; swales; soakaways; basins; ponds; wetlands; and rainwater recycling, and 'hard' SuDS measures e.g. oversized storm water pipes with flow control attenuation tanks and permeable paving."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 89</b>	RA82	Appendix 2, Change 53	Page 292 Para 13.30	" .... Green roofs, permeable surfaces, oversized storm pipes, water storage..."	DfI directs the Council to modify paragraph 13.30, page 292 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "Developers should consider the incorporation of SuDS as early as possible in the design process, whilst appropriate techniques may include such solutions as green roofs, permeable surfaces, oversized storm pipes, water storage (e.g. ponds), swales (shallow drainage channels), wetlands and ground water infiltration or a combination of such solutions."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of amplification wording for purposes of coherence and effectiveness, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>

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<b>MOD 90</b>	RA83	Appendix 2, Change 54	Page 295 Para 13.35	Delete paragraph 13.35 and renumber subsequent paragraphs.  Amend paragraph 13.36 to:  "Details of Controlled Reservoirs in the Borough are available on Reservoir Flood Maps produced by DfI (Rivers) and are available to view on its website. These provide..."	DfI directs the Council to delete paragraph 13.35 and modify paragraph 13.36, page 295 of the dPS, and renumber subsequent paragraphs as necessary, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment.	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of amplification wording for purposes of consistency and coherence, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 91</b>	RA84	Appendix 2, Change 55	Page 298 Policy DM 50.1	"...the development will not have an unacceptable adverse impact on local amenity or the environment..."	DfI directs the council to modify the second sentence of DM50.1, page 298 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "The report must demonstrate that the development will not have an unacceptable adverse impact on local amenity or the environment and detail how any pollution arising will be appropriately mitigated."	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 92</b>	RA85	Appendix 3, MA008	Page 302 Policy DM 53.2	See MA008  "...having a likely unacceptable adverse effect..."	DfI directs the Council to modify the first sentence of DM53.2, page 302 of the dPS, in accordance with this PAC Recommended Amendment. For clarity, this should read:  "It must be demonstrated that the proposal will bring an overall net social, environmental and economic benefit without having a likely unacceptable adverse effect:"	<b>No</b>	<b>Modification of policy wording for purposes of consistency, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>
<b>MOD 93</b>	N/a	N/a	N/a		As a result of the modifications contained within this direction, DfI directs the Council to ensure that any other presentational or factual amendments, typographical errors and grammatical errors are updated as necessary to the overall Plan Strategy upon adoption. These updates should not amend the nature and intent of the modifications.	<b>No</b>	<b>General 'administrative' modification, does not alter the evaluation of the policy in the SA</b>

## Appendix 2: Review of 'Screened In' Modifications

<b>Mod Ref: MOD 16</b> <b>Appendix 1 page no: 20</b> <b>Policy: DM 6-8</b>	<b>Summary of Issue:</b> Abbey Centre (proposed Large Town Centre) directed to be removed from the Retail Hierarchy.						
<b>Sustainability Objective</b>	<b>Previous Score</b>			<b>Revised Score</b>			<b>Comments</b>
	S	M	L	S	M	L	
Improve Health and Well-being.	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Strengthen society	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Provide good quality, sustainable housing.	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Enable access to high quality education.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Enable sustainable economic growth	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Manage material assets sustainably	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect physical resources and use sustainably	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Encourage active and sustainable travel	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Improve air quality	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Reduce causes of and adapt to climate change	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect manage and use water resources sustainably	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect natural resources and enhance biodiversity.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Maintain and enhance landscape character.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage.	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
<b>Conclusion</b>							
Dfl directs that Abbey Centre be removed from the Retail Hierarchy (SP 2.12). Original 2019 SA indicated that policy SP 2.12 will be assessed under policies DM 6-8. No significant changes to SA analysis under the modified policy. Modified retail hierarchy remains to allow for the application of policies DM 6-8 and the 'town-centre first approach', through the identification of a hierarchy of town, district and local centres across the Borough.							

<b>Mod Ref: MOD 47</b> <b>Appendix 1 page no: 28</b> <b>Policy: DM 18</b>	<b>Summary of Issue:</b> Policy DM 18.8 (wallstead replacement) directed to be removed from the Replacement Dwelling Policy DM 18B.						
<b>Sustainability Objective</b>	<b>Previous Score</b>			<b>Revised Score</b>			<b>Comments</b>
	S	M	L	S	M	L	
Improve Health and Well-being.	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Strengthen society	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Provide good quality, sustainable housing.	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Enable access to high quality education.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Enable sustainable economic growth	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Manage material assets sustainably	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect physical resources and use sustainably	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Encourage active and sustainable travel	-	-	-	-	-	-	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Improve air quality	-	-	-	-	-	-	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Reduce causes of and adapt to climate change	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect manage and use water resources sustainably	?	?	?	?	?	?	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect natural resources and enhance biodiversity.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Maintain and enhance landscape character.	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage.	?	?	?	?	?	?	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
<b>Conclusion</b>							
Dfl directs that wallstead replacement policy (DM 18.8) be removed from DM18B Replacement Dwelling policy. Considered that opportunities for replacement dwellings under former policy DM 18.8 were not significant in number due to strict policy tests, therefore the deletion of the policy deemed not sufficient to alter original scoring. No significant changes to SA analysis under the modified policy. Opportunities for replacement dwellings still exist in the countryside under DM 18B.							

<b>Mod Ref: MOD 56</b> <b>Appendix 1 page no: 29</b> <b>Policy: DM 24</b>	<b>Summary of Issue:</b> Policy DM 24 directed to include additional policy wording in relation to proposals for the development of 'intensive sports facilities'.						
<b>Sustainability Objective</b>	<b>Previous Score</b>			<b>Revised Score</b>			<b>Comments:</b>
	S	M	L	S	M	L	
Improve Health and Well-being.	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Strengthen society	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Provide good quality, sustainable housing.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Enable access to high quality education.	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Enable sustainable economic growth	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Manage material assets sustainably	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect physical resources and use sustainably	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Encourage active and sustainable travel	+	+	+	+	+	+	Modification to the policy expected to improve the policy's performance against this SA objective.
Improve air quality	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Reduce causes of and adapt to climate change	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect manage and use water resources sustainably	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect natural resources and enhance biodiversity.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Maintain and enhance landscape character.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
<b>Conclusion</b>							
Dfl directs the inclusion of additional policy wording in relation to proposals for the development of 'intensive sports facilities'. This modification results in minor positive changes to performance of policy against Sustainability Objective in relation to 'Encourage active and sustainable travel', but not sufficient to increase objective overall. No significant changes to SA analysis under the modified policy.							

<b>Mod Ref: MOD 81</b> <b>Appendix 1 page no: 36</b> <b>Policy: DM 37-39 &amp; 42</b>	<b>Summary of Issue:</b> Policy DM 42 directed to include additional policy wording to require the inclusion of 'tree-lined' streets within new developments.						
<b>Sustainability Objective</b>	<b>Previous Score</b>			<b>Revised Score</b>			<b>Comments</b>
	S	M	L	S	M	L	
Improve Health and Well-being.	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Strengthen society	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Provide good quality, sustainable housing.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Enable access to high quality education.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Enable sustainable economic growth	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Manage material assets sustainably	-	-	-	-	-	-	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect physical resources and use sustainably	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Encourage active and sustainable travel	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Improve air quality	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Reduce causes of and adapt to climate change	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect manage and use water resources sustainably	+	+	+	+	+	+	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
Protect natural resources and enhance biodiversity.	+	+	+	+	+	+	Modification to the policy expected to improve the policy's performance against this SA objective.
Maintain and enhance landscape character.	+	+	+	+	+	+	Modification to the policy expected to improve the policy's performance against this SA objective.
Protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage.	0	0	0	0	0	0	No significant change to analysis against the Sustainability Objective.
<b>Conclusion</b>							
Dfl directs the inclusion of additional wording within policy DM 42 to require the inclusion of 'tree-lined' streets within new developments. This modification results in minor positive changes to performance of policy against Sustainability Objectives in relation to 'Protect natural resources and enhance biodiversity' and 'Maintain and enhance landscape character'. Scoring remains significant positive. No significant changes to SA analysis under the modified policy.							



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