

<p>Further focused and minor changes to the Core Strategy Submission Draft Document</p>	<p>Agenda No: 7</p>
<p>Corporate Priority: Environment is clean and green, business is encouraged and local economy prospers, housing and transport meet local needs Report presented by: Eleanor Dash Report prepared by: Emma Boaler</p>	
<p>Background Papers: Core Strategy Submission Draft Document Addendum of Focused and Minor Changes to the Core Strategy</p>	<p>Public</p>
<p>Options: For members to note the contents of the report and the further consultation.</p>	<p>Key Decision: NO</p>
<p>Executive Summary:</p> <p>Further focused and minor changes to the Core Strategy submission draft have been identified by the Council and agreed in consultation with the Chairperson of the LDF Panel. These have been published for a period of 4weeks from the 18th March to 18th April and are included in appendix 1 of this report for members to note.</p>	
<p>Decision:</p> <p>To note the proposed changes to the Core Strategy Submission Draft and the further consultation period on those changes.</p>	
<p>Purpose of Decision:</p> <p>For members to be aware of the further proposed changes to the Core Strategy Submission Draft document and the consultation upon them.</p>	

Corporate implications	
Financial:	N/A
Legal:	These changes are to ensure the Core Strategy is sound and in accordance with planning legislation.
Equalities/Diversity	As set out in the Core Strategy
Customer Impact:	These proposed changes have been published on the website for a period of 4weeks and members of the public have been invited to submit comments.
Environment and Climate Change:	As set out in the Core Strategy
Consultation/Community Engagement:	As above, these proposed changes have been published on the website for a period of 4 weeks to allow members of the public to submit their comments on their proposals.
Risks:	That the Core Strategy is found unsound.
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1. Members are aware that at the last meeting of the LDF Panel on the 16th February it was agreed that approval of further wording changes to the Core Strategy would be delegated to the Head of Planning in consultation with the chairperson of the LDF Panel. This was to allow the Council time to publish any proposed changes for the required period and allow time for comments to be received before the deadline for the submission of hearing statements on the 3rd May.

2. Several proposed changes have been identified by the Council. These generally fall into 4 categories;

- Deletions to references to the East of England Plan having been revoked, to make the plan factually correct;
- References in the infrastructure tables for the need for sewerage and waste water infrastructure in response to the conclusions of the Stage 2 Water Cycle Study;
- Increasing the Panfield Lane housing provision by 100 dwellings and removing 100 dwellings from the provision in the rest of the town of Braintree and Bocking to take account of the fact that the College will not be moving to the growth location (which will provide capacity for more housing there) and the existing College site will not therefore be redeveloped. This has also required a change to the housing figures in Figure 4;
- Changes in response to the initial concerns and questions raised by the Inspector including adding a reference to viability in the affordable housing policy.

We have also removed the definition of affordable housing in the annex to PPS3 which was added to paragraph 5.17 as part of the previous round of minor changes. This is because the Government is currently consulting on changing the definition, including adding affordable rented accommodation within the definition. As we do not know what it will be changed to, we have removed the current wording.

3. These proposed changes were agreed with Councillor McCrea, as chairperson of the LDF Panel on the 17th March and published on the Core Strategy Examination page of the BDC website on Friday 18th March. They have been published for 4 weeks with a deadline for responses of Monday 18th April. All those people who submitted comments to the Core Strategy submission draft and the previous focused changes have also been notified of these proposed changes by email or letter.

4. The focused and minor changes proposed are included for information in Appendix 1.

Appendix 1

Examination into the Braintree District Council Core Strategy DPD

SCHEDULE OF SUGGESTED SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Issue 1 – 17th March 2011

The changes below are expressed either in the conventional form of ~~strikethrough~~ for deletions and underlining for additions of text, or by specifying the change in words in *italics*.

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Page	Policy/ Paragraph	Suggested Change
	Executive Summary, Spatial Strategy 4 th paragraph	500-600 dwellings and associated community uses
	Paragraph 4.17	<i>In the 1st bullet point change:</i> The potential for about another 1,500 <u>1,400</u> dwellings in the urban area
	Policy CS1	<i>In Table CS1, Braintree excluding growth locations change;</i> 1500 <u>1400</u>
	Policy CS1	<i>In Table CS1, Braintree north-west Growth Location West of Panfield lane change;</i> 500 <u>600</u> dwellings
	Paragraph 5.17	<u>The Council's affordable housing policy is based upon the definition of affordable housing set out in Planning Policy Statement 3.</u> Planning Policy Statement 3 Housing defines affordable housing as:- 'Affordable housing includes social rented and intermediate housing, provided to specified eligible households whose needs are not met by the market. Affordable housing should:- -Meet the needs of eligible households including availability at a low cost enough for them to afford, determined with regard to local incomes and local house prices. -Include provision for the home to remain at an affordable price for future eligible households or, if these restrictions are lifted, for the subsidy to be recycled for alternative affordable housing provision.'
	Policy CS2 Section 5	<u>The Local Planning Authority will take economic viability into account, where it is proved to be necessary to do so.</u> Where it is impractical

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	After Paragraph 6.6 add A new paragraph 6.7	<p>Add <u>6.7 The East of England Plan sets out the following main economic requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>An indicative target of 56,000 net growth in jobs (ie additional jobs minus jobs lost) for the period 2001-2021 to be delivered in the 'Rest of Essex' which is defined as Braintree, Brentwood, Chelmsford, Epping Forest, Harlow, Maldon and Uttlesford.</u> • <u>Local Development Documents should ensure an adequate range of sites and premises is allocated to achieve indicative job growth targets and needs of the local economy, revealed by employment land reviews. These should be at locations which minimise commuting and promote sustainable communities, achieve a closer relationship between jobs and homes, maximise the use of public transport and provide for skills training and education. Preference should often be given to the re-use of previously developed land and intensification of existing sites over the release of greenfield land.</u> • <u>Local Development Documents should identify a network of town centres, district centres, neighbourhood centres and village centres.</u>
Appendix 2		<i>In Figure 4, Informally Identified, remove the whole line starting; B0N33 Bocking North Braintree College site Church Lane</i>
Appendix 2		<i>In Figure 4, Informally Identified, line beginning LDFBON13, LDFBOS06, LDFBOS08 in all 3 occurrences change; 500 <u>600</u></i>
Appendix 2		<i>In Figure 4, Informally Identified, line beginning LDFBON13, LDFBOS06, LDFBOS08 change in column 2023/2024; 60 <u>100</u></i>
Appendix 2		<i>In Figure 4, Informally Identified, line beginning LDFBON13, LDFBOS06, LDFBOS08 change in column 2024/2025; 50 <u>90</u></i>
Appendix 2		<i>In Figure 4, Informally Identified, line beginning LDFBON13, LDFBOS06, LDFBOS08 change in column 2025/2026; 70 <u>90</u></i>
Appendix 2		<i>In Figure 4, final row Total change in column 2023/2024; 273 <u>275</u></i>
Appendix 2		<i>In Figure 4, final row Total change in column 2025/2026; 205 <u>225</u></i>
Appendix 2		<i>In Figure 4, final row Total change in column total; 4772 <u>4754</u></i>

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SCHEDULE OF SUGGESTED MINOR CHANGES

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	Executive Summary Spatial Strategy 2 nd paragraph	previous East of England Plan
	Paragraph 1.18	Guidance, <u>the East of England Plan,</u>
	Paragraph 1.23	was <u>is</u> the Regional Spatial Strategy for the Braintree District. This set <u>sets</u> out to:-
	Paragraph 1.24	Targets that were set out in the East of England Plan Targets that were related to the Braintree District Although the RSS has now been <u>will be</u> revoked
	Paragraph 6.17	approved as a supplementary planning document <u>material consideration.</u>
	6.7 to 6.21	<i>Renumber as 6.8 to 6.22.</i>
	Policy CS4 3 rd bullet point	to be approved by the Council as Supplementary Planning Documents
	Table 2, after paragraph 9.20.	<i>Delete in Supporting all Growth in Braintree;</i> Adult Community Learning and Further Education Hub, Developer Contributions, Essex County Council, individual education providers
	Table 2, after paragraph 9.20	<i>Add in Panfield Lane growth location;</i> <u>Sewerage network and waste water capacity upgrades</u>

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	Table 2, after paragraph 9.20	<i>Add in Hatfield Road growth location;</i> <u>Sewerage network capacity upgrade</u>
	Table 2, after paragraph 9.20	<i>Add in Forest Road growth location;</i> <u>Sewerage network capacity upgrade</u>
	Table 2, after paragraph 9.20	<i>Add in Supporting all growth in Halstead;</i> <u>Sewerage network and waste water capacity upgrades</u>
	Table 3, after paragraph 10.1	23 additional authorised pitches by 2011 <u>32 additional authorised pitches by 2011 – 2021</u>
	Glossary East of England Plan	The Regional Strategy, that is, the <u>highest level</u> former plan
	Appendix 1	<i>Add after line starting Policy CS6:</i> <u>Policy CS7 Promoting Accessibility for All replaces RLP60 Braintree Branch Line Improvement and RLP61 New Road Schemes.</u>
	Appendix 1	<i>Add after new line above;</i> <u>Policy CS8 Natural Environment and Biodiversity replaces RLP79 Special Landscape Areas and RLP88 Agricultural Land</u>
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports growth in Braintree change to;</i> Upgrading <u>sewerage network and waste water treatment capacity*</u> plant at Rayne*
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports growth in Braintree add;</i> <u>Sewerage network and waste water capacity upgrades 2016 – 2018.</u>
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports growth in Witham change;</i> New primary school at Lodge Farm with Early Years and Childcare places (2ha), <u>Hatfield Road</u>
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports Growth in Witham change;</i> Public Open Space, play and recreation facilities, Lodge Farm <u>Hatfield Road</u>
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports growth in Witham add;</i> <u>Sewerage network capacity upgrade for Hatfield Road 2015 - 2017</u>
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports growth in Witham add;</i> <u>Sewerage network capacity upgrade for Forest Road 2018 - 2020</u>
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports Growth in Witham change;</i> Allotments – Lodge Farm <u>Hatfield Road</u>
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports Growth in Witham change;</i> Quality Bus Partnerships and Public Transport – Lodge Farm <u>Hatfield Road</u>
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports Growth in Witham change;</i> Public Realm Improvements – Lodge Farm <u>Hatfield Road</u>

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	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports Growth in Witham change;</i> Footpath and Cycleway provision, Lodge Farm <u>Hatfield Road</u>
	Appendix 4	<i>In Supports Growth in Witham change;</i> Neighbourhood Centre, Lodge Farm <u>Hatfield Road</u>
	Appendix 4	In Supports growth in Halstead add; <u>Sewerage network and waste water capacity upgrades 2015 - 2020</u>
	Appendix 5	<i>East of England Plan</i> Revoked in 2010
	Appendix 5	<i>Accommodation for Gypsy and Traveller .. document</i> Revoked 2010 This <u>forms formed</u>
	Appendix 5	Braintree District Stage 2 Water Cycle Study <u>Hyder January 2011</u> To be prepared by end of October 2010
	Appendix 5	<i>Open Space SPD after commercial development add</i> <u>Open Space Action Plan 2011 Braintree District Council</u>