# **East Staffordshire Habitat Regulations Assessment Screening Report Appendices**

October 2013

# Appendix 1 – Plans and Programmes, review of potential cumulative effects

# **South Derbyshire**

Document Title	Adopted Local Plan 1998
Plan Type	Statutory Local Plan
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	South Derbyshire District Council
Timescales	1998 – 2001 (saved policies extended beyond September 2007)
Geographical Coverage	South Derbyshire
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
<ul> <li>The purpose of the Local Plan is to set out South Derbyshire District Council's approach to the development, management and use of land. It has four main functions:</li> <li>to develop the policies and general proposals of the Derbyshire Structure Plan and to relate them to specific areas of land as shown on the Proposals Map;</li> <li>to provide a detailed and comprehensive basis for the promotion and control of development;</li> <li>to provide a detailed basis for coordinating and directing development and other uses of land;</li> </ul>	Whilst the Local Plan saved policies remain part of the statutory development plan, the allocations for development relate to the period 1998-2001. As such the plan does not allocate development that may have a cumulative impact with East Staffordshire's Local Plan proposals. However, the Plan does include policies to manage development and help avoid adverse impacts on the environment. In combination with policies that afford environmental protection within the East Staffordshire Preferred Option Local Plan, this provides a potential positive impact on the integrity of European Sites.

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Document Title	South Derbyshire Core Strategy – 'Options for Housing		
	Growth'		
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Plan Owner/Competent Authority	South Derbyshire District Council working with Amber Valley		
	Borough Council and Derby City Council, with the assistance		
	of Derbyshire County Council		
Timescales	July 2011 - 2031		
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Geographical Coverage	Derby HMA: South Derbyshire, Derby and Amber Valley		
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA.			
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Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects		
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The three councils in the Derby HMA are coordinating their	Potential cumulative effects will be dependent on the		
decisions and working together to draw up aligned Core	preferred option and growth strategy that is taken forward.		
Strategies. These are required to show where large housing	However, it is known that the Plan will allocate a large		
and other development will take place to meet the needs of	quantum of housing growth, an generic effects related to		
our growing population over the next 15 years. They will also	development and growth scenarios include:		
consider what additional infrastructure including shops,			
schools and road improvements will be required and how and	<ul> <li>Increased demand for water</li> </ul>		
when it will be provided.	resources/abstraction/hydrological impacts;		
·	<ul> <li>Increased traffic movements, contributions to</li> </ul>		
Following the passing of the Localism Act and National	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		

Planning Policy Framework, the Councils are working together to reconsider how much development should take place in the Derby Housing Market Area up to 2028.

The document does not conclude an allocated quantum of housing or employment growth for the area yet provides an overview of strategic options concerning the scale of growth. This ranges from 30,000 to 47,900 dwellings over the plan period. The plan considers 4 options for the spatial distribution of growth.

- Increased recreational pressure from existing and new populations; and
- Growth in requirements for waste management facilities, increased demand for minerals.

Depending on the scale and location of growth allocations, there may be a potential for a cumulative impact on European Sites within neighbouring authorities.

Document Title	South Derbyshire Core Strategy – Draft Local Plan Part 1		
Plan Type	New Local Plan		
Plan Owner/Competent Authority			
Timescales	July 2013 - 2028		
Geographical Coverage	South Derbyshire		
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	Consultation document is accompanied by a SA and a HF Screening Opinion.		
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects		
The Plan aims to meet South Derbyshire's split of the Derby HMA housing requirement through the following allocations:  - around Swadlincote including land at former Drakelow Power Station - urban extensions to the Derby City - village growth in Hatton, Hilton, Etwall, Aston	<ul> <li>Increased demand for water resources/abstraction/hydrological impacts;</li> <li>Increased traffic movements, contributions to atmospheric pollution and impacts on air quality;</li> <li>Increased recreational pressure from existing and new populations; and</li> <li>Growth in requirements for waste management facilities, increased demand for minerals.</li> </ul>		

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The Plan also aims to retaining and promote employment development on sites in urban areas and other locations which already are, or could be in the future, well served by infrastructure, including public transport. These include:

However effects are not considered significant. The HRA Screening Opinion concludes that there will be no significant effect on Natura 2000 sites as a result of implementing the Local Plan, alone or in combination

- growth in the urban area of Swadlincote
- development in Hilton to balance the needs of a growing community and to create more jobs
- strategic locations suggested at Dove Valley Park and Global Technology Cluster

Document Title	South Derbyshire Employment Land Review (Site List)
Plan Type	New Local Plan Evidence Base
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	South Derbyshire District Council, Amber Valley Borough
	Council and Derby City Council
Timescales	January 2007
Geographical Coverage	Derby HMA: South Derbyshire, Derby and Amber Valley
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA,	
HRA/AA)	
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
This study was commissioned by South Derbyshire District	Whist the Employment Land Review is not a Development

Council in November 2005 as part of the evidence base for the District's Local Development Documents. The study should particularly inform the preparation of an Area Action Plan (AAP) for land between Woodville and Swadlincote town centre, advising on the redevelopment potential of the land for employment uses. More generally, the study should provide guidance on employment land allocations.

The ELR provides an initial business-as-usual market 30 requirement of approximately hectares for industry/warehousing and 6 hectares for offices, all of which can be met through identified employment land in South Derbyshire. However, it is also noted that South Derbyshire may be required to meet some surplus demand should Derby's land supply fall short of its employment land requirements as set out in the new Regional Plan for the Derby HMA. Additionally, the District has the potential to attract regional and national inward investment, over and above the forecasts, in two categories: suppliers to Toyota and strategic warehousing.

If as part of HMA-wide planning South Derbyshire agrees to provide space for footloose demand, then new sites will be required, which the ELR states should be in the north of the District, in the A50/A38 corridors, and particularly in the eastern sector of the A50, closest to the A38, Derby City and the M1.

Plan Document; it will inform the emerging Development Plan and provides an indication of potential major site allocations.

Should suggested sites be taken forward within the Core Strategy/Local Plan there may be a potential for cumulative effects. In particular in respect to the potential to allocate sites to the north of the District, in the A50/38 corridors and eastern sector of the A50, closest to the A38. This may include an increase in atmospheric pollution from increased vehicle movements and other emitters, with the potential to affect the Midland Mosses SAC.

Site allocations may also impact on the River Mease, however there would be no cumulative impact with the East Staffordshire Local Plan, as the Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area.

# **Derbyshire Dales**

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Document Title	Adopted Local Plan 2005
Plan Type	Statutory Development Plan
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Derbyshire Dales District Council
Timescales	2005 – 2008 (saved policies extend beyond 2008)
Geographical Coverage	Derbyshire Dales
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA,	Proposals Map
HRA/AA)	
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
The Derbyshire Dales Adopted Local Plan (DDLP) sets out the Council's land use planning policies and proposals for the area outside of the Peak District National Park. As well as identifying and allocating land for development including housing, employment and leisure uses it is used as the basis for the determination of planning applications. The DDLP puts in place policies and proposals to guide the development of land. In line with the Council's Corporate Plan, the DDLP aims to meet the following objectives:	The Plan proposes limited growth plans in terms of housing and employment in reflection of the nature of the Derbyshire Dales area, which includes the Peak District National Park and largely rural and sparse population.  The Plan outlines a five year supply of 775 dwellings, which have now been developed to the key developed areas of Ashbourne and Matlock/Wirksworth. The plan also allocated 35ha of employment land to these areas. The plan requires that 60% of development is on brownfield land.
<ul> <li>Improve the supply of decent, affordable homes for local people</li> <li>Increase the number of people, especially young</li> </ul>	The Plan does not propose growth plans that are within proximity to the Borough's allocations, it is therefore unlikely

people, participating in leisure activities	that	there	would	be	а	significant	cumulative	effect	on
<ul> <li>Improve access to services and support service delivery improvements</li> <li>Protect and improve the safety and health of residents and visitors</li> </ul>		pean S	Sites.						
Reduce, recycle and re-use waste									
Stimulate economic, community and environmental regeneration									

Document Title	Derbyshire Dales District Strategic Housing Options Paper and Development Approaches and Sub Area Strategies, June
	2012
Plan Type	Issues and options Local Plan document
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Derbyshire Dales District Council
Timescales	2006-2028
Geographical Coverage	Derbyshire Dales District
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	Settlement Framework Boundary Review
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
Since the passing of the Localism Act and publication of the	The plan proposes a moderate level of housing extending
National Planning Policy Framework, the Council have	from existing settlements. Whilst the proposals may have

commenced work on a Revised Local Plan for the District. As part of this process the Council have published the Strategic Housing Options Paper, to provide evidence to the Development Approaches and Sub Area Strategies document. The latter document sets out the preferred housing target and sub area scenario.

The document concludes that there is a strategic housing requirement for Derbyshire Dales for the period 2006 to 2028 of 4400 dwellings. In order to deliver this required is it concluded that the preferred spatial option is for the development of land outside of existing settlement boundaries, at the following locations:

- Matlock 270
- Wirksworth 60
- Darley Dale 160
- Tansley 30
- Ashbourne 400
- Doveridge 50
- Drailsford 50

implications on the Peak District Moors SAC, South Pennine Moors SPA, Peak District Dales SAC, the Bees New and Clay Pits SAC and Gang Mine SAC it is not considered that there would be a significant cumulative impact as a result of proposed growth in the East Staffordshire Preferred Option Local Plan, due to the scale and location of allocations.

Document Title	Landscape Character and Design SPD
Plan Type	Supplementary Planning Document
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Derbyshire Dales District Council
Timescales	July 2007 -

Geographical Coverage	Derbyshire Dales
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	Landscape Character and Design Scoping Report, Landscape Character and Design Sustainability Appraisal, Landscape Character Plan
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
<ul> <li>The Derbyshire Dales Landscape Character and Design Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) aims:         <ul> <li>To protect and enhance the character, appearance and features important in the landscape.</li> <li>To provide detailed guidance on landscape issues to be considered as part of any proposal</li> <li>To illustrate and encourage good practice</li> <li>To encourage an integrated approach to development which includes comprehensive consideration of landscape issues</li> <li>To help developers in their submission of planning applications.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The SPD aims to complement policies NBE8 (Landscape Character) and NBE26 (Landscape Design in Association with New Development) of the Adopted Derbyshire Dales Local Plan by providing detailed guidance on how new development can meet the aims and objectives of policies. It will also raise awareness of the design issues related to landscape character and provide an important reference point for developers on design standards ensuring that future development protects or enhances the character and local</li> </ul>	The SPD recognises that the Derbyshire Dales environment is subject to demands for housing, industry and commerce, transport, water, energy, and food production, which have the potential to conflict with its scenic beauty wildlife and historic interest. With regards to the five SACs within the Derbyshire Dales boundaries, the SPD refers to the European Directive 92/43/EEC, requiring that any plan or project that is likely to have significant effect on a European site which is not directly connected with the management of that site for nature conservation must be subject to an appropriate assessment which shall determine if that plan or policy will adversely affect the integrity of the site.  The plan seeks to protect the integrity of European Sites and would not therefore have any likely cumulative negative significant affect.

distinctiveness of the landscape.	

Document Title	Peak Sub Region Employment Land Review
Plan Type	New Local Plan evidence base document
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Derbyshire Dales District Council, High Peak Borough Council, Peak District National Park Authority and Derbyshire County Council
Timescales	2008 - 2026
Geographical Coverage	Derbyshire Dales, High Peak and Peak District National Park
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
<ul> <li>The Employment Land Review in 2008 and covers the Peak Sub Region – High Peak, Derbyshire Dales and the Peak District National Park.</li> <li>The main aims of the Employment Land Review are to: <ul> <li>Consider the future employment land and premises requirements of the Peak Sub-Region to 2026;</li> <li>Review the study area's current supply of employment land in both quantitative and qualitative terms;</li> <li>Identify which employment land sites should be retained and which can potentially be de-allocated, or allocated for alternative uses to provide a balanced portfolio of land to 2026;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Derbyshire Dales District borders the north eastern boundary of East Staffordshire, alongside the A50. The review identifies eight employment sites sufficient to meet demand for employment land in the longer term. This includes a total of 48 hectares of land. The sites are all located within or within the vicinity of the three main settlements of Matlock, Wirksworth and Ashbourne, north of the District. These settlements are further northern of the East Staffordshire boundary, with the closest allocations being those within and around Uttoxeter. The three settlements identified for additional employment land potential are within close

 Identify the scale, location and type of sites that are needed to meet the future requirements of the Sub-Region.

The results of the study will inform future economic and planning policy in relation to the supply of employment land. In the absence of up to data spatial allocations, the document is useful in providing insight into potential locations for development.

The study concludes that 16 hectares of additional employment land will be required in the Derbyshire Dales to 2026, whilst 35 ha will be required in High Peak and 5ha in the National Park.

proximity to the Peak District Dales SAC, Bees Nest and Clay Pits SAC and Gang Mine. However, given the distance from the East Staffordshire's development allocations, it is not considered that there would be a likelihood of a significant cumulative impact with the development of employment land in the Derbyshire Dales,

## Lichfield

Document Title	Lichfield Local Plan 1998
Plan Type	Statutory Development Plan
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Lichfield District Council
Timescales	1998 – 2001 (saved policies extended beyond 2001)
Geographical Coverage	Lichfield District
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	Proposals Map
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects

The Litchfield Local Plan forms part of the Statutory Development Plan for the District.

The plan affords strong protection to European Sites, with Policy E.18 requires all development with the potential to affect a designated site to be subject to rigorous examination in line with the European Directive. Additionally, where the site concerned hosts a priority natural habitat type and/or a priority species development or land use change will not be permitted unless the authority is satisfied that it is necessary for reasons of human health or public safety or for beneficial consequences of primary importance for nature conservation. Where such development does proceed the authority will consider the use of conditions or planning obligations to secure all compensatory measures necessary to ensure that the overall coherence of Natura 2000 is protected.

In addition, the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty within Cannock Chase is also afforded specific protection within Policy NA.1, which states that development will not be permitted except where proposals accord with Green Belt policy and are compatible with the conservation of the natural beauty of the area. Where development is acceptable it shall be of the highest standards of design in sympathy with the architectural and landscape characteristics of the area.

The Local Plan was adopted in June 1998, whilst it still forms part of the Development Plan and guides development, its housing and employment allocations cover the period 1996-2001. The Plan does not therefore propose growth. The Plan does provide positive intend to protect and conserve European Sites as cited. The Plan therefore has the potential for a positive cumulative effect on European Sites for the environmental protection it affords.

Document Title	Core Strategy 'Shaping our District' Submission			
Plan Type	New Local Plan			

Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Lichfield District Council
Timescales	2010 – 2026
Geographical Coverage	Lichfield District
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	Interim Sustainability Appraisal, Draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan, wider evidence base and Tamworth and Litchfield Appropriate Assessment Screening Report.
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
The Core Strategy provides the broad policy directions to guide the other documents within the LDF. The Core Strategy establishes a long-term strategy to manage development, provide services, deliver infrastructure and create sustainable communities. It comprises the vision and strategic objectives, a spatial development strategy, core policies and development management policies.  Of particular significance, Core Policy 1 provides the Spatial Strategy for the District and states a target to deliver 8000 dwellings between 2006 and 2026. The Policy states that the growth will be located within:  • Lichfield City Centre/Urban area • South Lichfield Strategic Development Location • East of Lichfield (Streethay) Strategic Development	The District neighbours East Staffordshire to its southern boundary. The Strategy includes the allocation of major growth to Streethay in the form of a sustainable urban extension of 850 dwellings in addition to the development of a former airfield site and employment growth at Fradley. Both locations line the A38 strategic highway and may contribute to the intensification of growth along the A38 corridor in combination with East Staffordshire's proposals for Lawns Farm and Branston. In addition growth is proposed at Rugeley including the former power station site with 700 dwellings. The proposed growth in combination with the spatial strategy of the East Staffordshire Preferred Option adds to the levels of housing and employment development within proximity to the European Sites surrounding the south west of the Borough, including: Cannock Chase, the Midland Meres SAC and Ramsar site and the Pasturefields Salt Marsh.
<ul> <li>Location</li> <li>Burntwood Town Centre/Urban area</li> <li>Fradley Strategic Development Location and Broad Development Location</li> </ul>	A Habitats Regulation Screening assessment was undertaken in 2011 of the Lichfield and Tamworth emerging strategies, which concluded that the most likely effects on the Natura 2000 sites are related to additional households and

- East Rugeley Strategic Development Location (within Armitage with Handsacre Parish)
- Key Rural Settlements

The Core Strategy includes Core Policy 13 Natural Resources, which affords protection to designated sites and asserts a commitment to the management and protection of Cannock Chase Special Area of Conservation. More specifically, Policy NR6: Cannock Chase Special Area of Conservation provides protection of the SAC in respect of recreational pressure and associated impacts.

associated traffic increases, or additional recreational pressure, causing an increase in air pollution, habitat disturbance, species disturbance and nutrient enrichment.

With regard to the Midland Mosses and Chartley Moss:

"Site is 4.5km from Lichfield District and over 20km from Tamworth. The vulnerability of the site arises from localised agricultural run off, water quality, water quantity and recreational disturbance. The proposals for 8,000 homes in Lichfield District and 2,900 in Tamworth Borough are beyond the boundaries of the site and are so far away that recreational pressure will not be generated from the developments. In addition the proposals will utilise water from beyond the catchment for this site and will therefore have no significant impact on this. Atmospheric pollution may be generated from the increased vehicular movements associated with new development as part of the Core Strategies. Again due to the distance involved no significant in combination effects are expected to arise from implementing the proposed Core Strategies and other plans and proposals listed previously."

With regard to Pasturefields Saltmarsh SAC the assessment concluded:

"Site is 4.2km from Lichfield District and over 20km from Tamworth Borough. The vulnerabilities of the site are to changes in water quality and water quantity. The proposals for 8,000 homes in Lichfield District and 2,900 in Tamworth Borough will have no significant impact on this site due to the distance from the site and being downstream of the Trent. The Southern Staffordshire Water Cycle Study has identified potential in combination effects arising from increased use of Lichfield WwTW, further enquiries with the sewage undertakers have concluded that the necessary

improvements to the WwTW are able to be implemented to address needs arising from development, as such significant in-combination assessments are not expected to arise from implementing the proposed Core Strategies and other plans and proposals listed previously."

## With regard to Cannock Chase the assessment concluded:

"Site is 2.4km from the closest part of Lichfield District and over 20km from Tamworth Borough. The vulnerabilities of the site are to changes in water quality and water quantity, damage to the site, its species and habitat from visitors and air pollution from increased traffic both visiting and driving through the sites. A report has been prepared to advise local authorities on the impacts of development on the SAC. It has established that there will be no greater impact on the SAC from water abstraction associated with new development and it has identified a zone of influence and critieria to mitigate for the impact on the SAC from an increase in visitors and air pollution. The proposals for 8,000 homes in Lichfield District could have a significant impact on the Cannock Chase SAC due to the proximity of the proposals being within a 19.3km/12mile identified zone of influence and strategic allocations within Tamworth i.e. those of over 100 dwellings the study advises will also need to incorporate a visitor impact strategy. However neither of the districts are within the 400metre zone where no net increase in residential properties should be permitted. In order to assess if development will have an impact on the SAC, and to identify what measures are necessary to prevent damaging impact (either through providing alternative sites (SANG) or through financial contributions to the Cannock Chase Visitor Mitigation Strategy), and these studies are being undertaken. The study recommended policies be incorporated in LDF documents and the LDC: Shaping our District consultation has incorporated a draft policy for consultation to ensure that the impact on the SAC will can be adequately mitigated and that there will be adequate monitoring of the effects of mitigation to maintain the SAC."

With regard to Cannock Chase it is understood that the site is influenced by traffic and visitors from a wide area and the proposed increase in housing and employment in the East Staffordshire Preferred Option in combination with other the Litchfield Core Strategy could have a cumulative significant impact as a result of an increase in both visitors and car movements to the SAC unless appropriate mitigation is in place. It is considered that inclusion of Policy SP23 within the East Staffordshire Local Plan affords appropriate mitigation and there is therefore an unlikely significant cumulative impact.

## **Cannock Chase**

Document Title	Local Plan Part 1 Submission 2013
Plan Type	New Local Plan
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Cannock Chase District Council
Timescales	2011 - 2031
Geographical Coverage	Cannock Chase District
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	Infrastructure Plan, Sustainability Appraisal, Equality Impact Assessment, Draft Proposals Map, Green Belt Review of

Cannock	Chase	District,	Green	Infrastructure	Background
Paper, Ha	abitats R	egulation	s Asses	ssments	

#### **Document Details**

The Core Strategy is the central document in the Local Development Framework (LDF) and will help shape the way in which the physical, economic, social and environmental characteristics of Cannock Chase District will change between 2006 and 2026. It provides one of the means of delivering the objectives and programmes of the Chase Community Partnership as set out in the Cannock Chase Sustainable Community Strategy. The Core Strategy aims to:

- Create a long-term spatial vision for the District.
- Provide clear strategic objectives for development and the environment.
- Describe a spatial strategy for delivering objectives.
- Outline core policies which shape development and deliver the strategy.
- Identify the broad location of new housing and employment land requirements.
- Form an effective monitoring and implementation framework.

The Core Strategy requires at least 6800 new homes to be built for the District between 2006 and 2026. 1140 new homes will be provided via the Lichfield Core Strategy. In the urban areas at least 2400 new homes will be provided and 1450 will be developed at urban extensions west of Pye

## Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects

The Core Strategy notes that the popularity of Cannock Chase AONB, combined with the deficiency in alternative recreation spaces in some localities is creating pressure upon ecologically sensitive sites. Cannock Chase Council worked jointly with neighbouring authorities in relation to Cannock Chase SAC and the Appropriate Assessment. highlights the likely increase in such pressures as a result of population growth in the District (including potential increases in road traffic air pollution) and the need to provide additional recreation spaces alongside other mitigation measures. It concludes that there are unlikely to be significant impacts arising from increased water use and abstraction in the District and that by implementation of the Cannock Chase Visitor Impact Management Strategy and relevant policies in the relevant Core Strategies, suitable mitigation measures will be in place to overcome possible adverse impacts affecting the integrity of the SAC.

In respect of these conclusions, the Strategy includes Policy CP 11 of the Pre Publication Core Strategy sets out that "Development will not be permitted where it would be likely to lead directly or indirectly to an adverse effect upon the integrity, of the Cannock Chase Special Area of Conservation (SAC)." As such, no development will be allowed within 400m of the Cannock Chase SAC and development mitigation will be required between 400m and 12 miles of the SAC including provision of alternative green space. Cannock Chase District council support the concept of cross-boundary working in order to ensure strategic sites, including Cannock Chase

Green Road (750) and south of Norton Canes (700) and up to
8ha of employment land.

An overall target of 112 hectares of employment land should be developed between 2006 and 2026.

Habitats Regulations Assessments have been undertaken in partnership for two SACs at Cannock Chase and the Cannock Chase Extension Canal south of Norton Canes. No other sites of European significance are considered to be affected by the Core Strategy.

SAC, are protected and enhanced. Implementation of the Visitor Impact Management Strategy for Cannock Chase SAC requires the provision of approximately 800ha of additional recreation space within 12 miles of the SAC and such measures will be progressed on a cross-boundary basis.

The importance of the Cannock Extension Canal SAC is also recognised, requiring special management and consideration. It is specified that developments potentially affecting its integrity will be determined in accordance with the Habitats Regulations.

In is considered that given the inclusion of strategic policy 23 that specifically seeks to avoid and mitigate impacts of the East Staffordshire Local Plan on Cannock Chase and the aims of Policy SP7 and SP12 to provide alternative open space and tourism facilities, there is unlikely to be a significant effect on Cannock Chase.

Document Title	Cannock Chase Local Plan 1997
Plan Type	Statutory Development Plan
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Cannock Chase District Council
Timescales	1997 – 2007 (saved policies extended beyond 2007)
Geographical Coverage	Cannock Chase District
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	Proposals Map
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects

The Cannock Chase 1997 Local Plan is the statutory Development Plan for the District and forms the principal basis for which development is managed.

The Policies and Proposals in the Local Plan aim to achieve growth and development in the District within the parameters set in the Staffordshire Structure Plan 1986-2001. The District Council considers that the growth and development should be achieved in a way that is sustainable both environmentally and economically.

The Local Plan aims to establish a balance between:

- Providing for agreed levels of development
- Preserving the important elements of the natural and built environments
- Improving the downgraded and despoiled areas
- Uplifting the image of the area generally
- Reducing the need to travel.

Chapter 2 of the Local Plan sets out the Council's policies in relation to the Greenbelt, Countryside and Ecology. Policy C6 sets out requirements for design of development within the Green Belt and AONB, and allows for infill development within the Cannock Chase AONB. However, C6 aims to preserve and enhance the visual character of the site and therefore prevents any undesirable intrusions into the AONB. Policy C8 recognises the recreational and development pressures affecting the Cannock Chase AONB and specifically sets out the principles against which the integrity of the site will be

The Plan sets out a positive policy framework for the protection and mitigation of European Sites, which will be supported by policies within the East Staffordshire Local Plan. Whilst the Plan promotes and safeguards sites for development, this element of the plan being replaced by the emerging Site Allocations DPD.

It is not considered that there would be a likelihood of adverse significant impacts on Cannock Chase SAC as a result of cumulative impacts with the East Staffordshire Local Plan due to the combined protection offered by the Plans.

## protected:

- (i) the District Council will continue to conserve and enhance the landscape, nature conservation and recreation interest of the AONB and its setting;
- (ii) only development which is compatible with the conservation of the natural beauty of the AONB and is in accordance with other relevant Policies of the Local Plan will be permitted;
- (iii) proposals for development on the fringes of the AONB will be considered in the context of the primary objective of protecting the Area's qualities;
- (iv) the District Council will support measures to reduce the impact of traffic on the roads through the designated area.

Other European sites are covered by Policy C9 which reflects the requirements of the European Directive with regards to development which may affect an internationally designated site. Policy C12 requires an ecological assessment to accompany any development proposal which may affect sites of ecological or landscape importance, while contributions will be sought where mitigation, compensation or restoration is necessary. With regards to safeguarded species, Policy C13 sets out that development will not be permitted where it may destroy or adversely affect a site supporting a statutorily protected species.

# **Staffordshire Moorlands**

Document Title	Staffordshire Moorlands Revised Submission Core Strategy 2011
Plan Type	Development Plan Document
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Staffordshire Moorlands District Council
Timescales	2006 - 2026
Geographical Coverage	Staffordshire Moorlands
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	Schedule of Revisions, Sustainability Appraisal, Appropriate Assessment Second Update, Consultation Statement, Soundness Self-Assessment, Infrastructure Plan
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
The Core Strategy provides the framework for future LDF documents which will then identify specific sites for development in the District (Site Allocations DPD) and provide detailed guidance to supplement the policies (Supplementary Planning Documents).  Policy SS2 Future Provision of Development states that provision will be made for 5500 additional dwellings to be completed during 2006 to 2026. Provision will be made for at least 24 hectares of additional employment land in Staffordshire Moorlands in the same period.	was focused on the South Pennine Moors SAC; Peak District Dales SAC; Cannock Chase SAC and Peak District Moors SPA.  The HRA concludes that "given the reduced scale of housing development proposed in the Revised Core Strategy and its location, together with the application of the policy measures within the Core Strategy, it is expected that there would be no adverse effects on the site integrity of the European Sites as a result of the changes."
	South Staffordshire borders the northern boundary of East Staffordshire Borough. However, the majority of growth

(approximately 90%) proposed in the South Staffordshire Core Strategy is directed to the main towns of Leak and Biddulph to the north of the Borough and Cheadle in the central area. Whilst a smaller number of residential and employment development is allocated to the rural areas which includes the towns of Alton and Upper Team, which border East Staffordshire. Conversely, the majority of growth proposed in the East Staffordshire Local Plan is directed to the south of the Borough within and surrounding Burton. As such it is considered that due to the distance between the main areas of growth there is unlikely to be a significant cumulative effect on the four European Sites cited.

# **Stafford Borough**

Document Title	New Local Plan Submission document August 2013
Plan Type	Local Plan
Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Stafford Borough Council
Timescales	2011 - 2031
Geographical Coverage	Stafford Borough
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA,	
HRA/AA)	
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
The Plan for Stafford Borough sets out the overall future	The following European Sites are within Stafford Borough and

direction for the area to deliver the strategic planning approach across the Stafford Borough area.

In terms of proposed growth, the Plan provides a spatial strategy based on the identification of Strategic Development Locations (SDLs) at the main urban centres of Stafford and Stone. In addition a small amount of new development in rural settlements will be facilitated by minor amendments to Residential Development Boundaries.

Proposed new development at the following SDLs (final decision to be taken following this consultation):

- North of Stafford (north of the A513 and both sides of the A34) mixed use development; two housing sites delivering up to 2,700 new homes, local facilities, and at least 36 ha new employment land as an extension to the existing Primepoint 14 area
- West of Stafford mixed use development linked to delivery of the Western Access Improvement Scheme; phased delivery of up to 2,200 new homes, extra care/specialist housing, local facilities, and at least 7 ha new employment land
- East of Stafford (between the A513 and A518) mixed use development linked to delivery of the Eastern Access Improvement Scheme; phased delivery of up to 600 new homes, extra care/specialist housing, local facilities, and at least 20 ha new employment land at Beacon Hill
- West and South of Stone mixed use development; up to 500 new homes, extra care/specialist housing and at least 18 ha new employment land south of Stone Business Park
- 12 ha new employment land between Raleigh Hall Recognised Industrial Estate and Ladfordfields

within the East Staffordshire 15km 'buffer' zone; Cannock Chase SAC, Midland Mosses SAC and Midland Meres and Mosses Phase II Ramsar and Pasturefields Salt Marsh. It is therefore important to consider potential cumulative impact of the two emerging plans.

With regard to Cannock Chase, the proposed housing and employment proposals of the Stafford and East Staffordshire Plans will potentially increase the number of visitors to Cannock Chase, thereby increasing the magnitude of impacts caused by recreational pressures. It is considered that Core Policy 16 of the Stafford Borough Plan and Policy 23 of the East Staffordshire Borough Council Plan sufficiently mitigate these impacts and would prevent significant cumulative impacts.

The Midland Mosses and Pasturefields Salt Marsh are within Stafford Borough and vulnerable to atmospheric pollution. The East Staffordshire Borough Local Plan Preferred Option includes a proposed allocation for a sustainable urban extension to the west of Uttoxeter, which is the closest growth area to the Midland Mosses. This could have a cumulative impact on air quality along with proposals for growth around Stafford and Stone. In particular, Uttoxeter is well connected to Stafford via the A518 and the A51 north to Stone. As such growth around these areas may attract vehicle trips from Uttoxeter. However, it is considered that given the scale of the proposed growth to Uttoxeter and the distance from the Midland Mosses and Pasturefields Salt Marsh there is unlikely to be a significant cumulative impact. Furthermore, it

Recognised Industrial Estate

 Proportion of new employment provision at the following Recognised Industrial Estates: Pasturefields next to Hixon, Hixon Airfield and Moorfield

Whilst the plan includes significant growth plans, it affords strong protection to European Sites through the planning process.

Core Policy 14, the Natural Environment & Green Infrastructure, sets out to protect, enhance and improve the Borough's natural environment through appropriate management of a network of designated sites, biodiversity action plan habitats and species populations, wildlife corridors and ecological networks. The policy also aims to conserve and enhance water courses and their settings for their landscape character, biodiversity and recreational value, particularly for the Borough's extensive canal system.

The integrity of European sites is safeguarded by Development Management Policy (DMP) 5, which sets out specific requirements in relation to water and air quality. DMP 5 states that in relation to air quality issues identified, planning permission will only be granted where:

- It can be demonstrated that development will not significantly contribute to adverse effects caused by local and / or diffuse air pollution at European sites, alone or in combination with other plans and projects, or
- Where development would result in an increase in

is consider that Development Management Policy 5 of the Stafford Plan, provides sufficient mitigation, which includes the need to demonstrate that development will not significantly contribute to adverse effects caused by local and / or diffuse air pollution at European Sites, alone or in combination with other plans and projects. This would therefore require a consideration of air quality in relation to increased traffic movements within proximity to the site.

local and/or diffuse air pollution at European Sites, it would be expected to include measures to secure an equivalent improvement in air quality or reduction in emissions from other sources; and

• Require a pollution-neutral strategy for major development near to European sites.

In relation to water quality, supply and run-off issues, planning permission will only be granted where:

- There will be no demonstrable unauthorised impact on the integrity of the European site;
- The development takes account of the Water Cycle Study and Surface Water Management Plan and any other successor documents.

Core Policy 16 goes on to set out specific protection to the Cannock Chase SAC, requiring that any net increase of dwellings within 400m will only be permitted where there is no adverse effect on the site's integrity. All development within 12 miles will be required to avoid/mitigate any adverse effect on the site's integrity, while large developments must provide targeted alternative green space within or close to the development site.

Document Title	Stafford Borough Local Plan 1998			
Plan Type	Statutory Development Plan			

Plan Owner/Competent Authority	Stafford Borough Council
Timescales	(saved policies extended beyond 2007)
Geographical Coverage	Stafford Borough
Related Documents (e.g. evidence base, SA/SEA, HRA/AA)	Proposals Map, Space About Dwellings SPG, Extensions to Dwellings SPG
Document Details	Potential for Impacts that could cause cumulative effects
<ul> <li>The overall aim of the plan is to make provision for the levels of development established in the Staffordshire Structure Plan and to balance the need for development with the protection and enhancement of the environment. The purpose of the Local Plan is:</li> <li>To develop the policies and general proposals of the Staffordshire Structure Plan 1986-2001 and to relate them to precise areas of land.</li> <li>To provide a detailed basis for the control of development through planning applications.</li> <li>To provide a detailed basis for co-ordinating the development or other use of land.</li> <li>To bring environmental and ecological issues in to the future planning of the area.</li> <li>To ensure that development and growth are sustainable so that present and future generations are not denied the best of today's environment.</li> <li>To help manage demand for and improve efficiency in the use of resources [and to take account of the</li> </ul>	The Local Plan policies are saved and therefore remain part of the Statutory Development Plan for the Borough. However the due to the date of the Plan, development and growth allocations are now outdated through completions and committed development. As such the Plan no longer proposes significant development; however it does provide important policies in relation to environmental protection. It therefore provides relates positively to those policies of the East Staffordshire Local Plan that afford environmental protection to European sites.

accessibility of land uses].

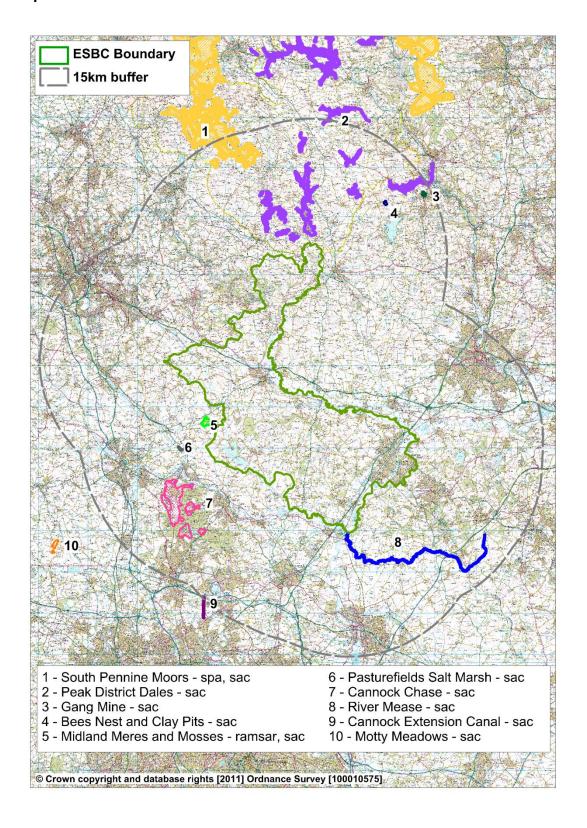
- To reduce the need to travel particularly by private car.
- To bring local and detailed planning issues before the public.

The Local Plan affords environmental protection to sites of international importance in line with the European Directive. Policy E & D37 states that any development which could have a significant effect on a European site, either alone or in combination, will not be permitted unless there is no alternative solution and there are imperative reasons of overriding public interest. Where the site concerned hosts a priority natural habitat type and/or a priority species, development will not be permitted unless it is necessary for reasons of human health or public safety or for beneficial consequences of primary importance for nature conservation.

Further to this, Policy E & D36 require that development proposals which may affect a European site to be accompanied by an ecology survey and report. Supporting text advises that planning conditions, agreements or obligations should be considered to secure all compensatory measures necessary to ensure that the overall coherence of Natura 2000 as defined in Article 3 of the Habitats Directive is protected and to ensure the protection of and enhancement of the sites nature conservation interest.

# Appendix 2 - Map

## **Map 1 Natura Sites**



# **Appendix 3 Strategic and Detailed Policies - Screening Matrix**

Preferred Option Policy	Relevant European Sites	Assessment Category	Potential Imp	Impact Comment		Likely Significant Impact on a European site (s)		Policy to enable screen out	Requirement for AA
			Impact	Indicator		Alone	In Combinatio n		
SP1 East Staffordshire Approach to Sustainable Development	NA	A2	NA	NA	Policy intends to protect the national environment	NA	NA	NA	NA

SP2 A Strong	Peak District	D2	Recreational	Population	Whilst the spatial	-	х	Yes detailed	No
SP2 A Strong Network of Settlements	Peak District Moors  South Pennine Moors Cannock Chase Cannock Extension Canal  Peak District Dales  Chartley Moss  Midlands Meres and Mosses	D2	Recreational pressure	Population increase	Whilst the spatial strategy promoted growth in areas at a greater distance from the European sites, it would result in a population increase with the potential for an increase in visitors to some European sites	-	X	Yes detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No

SP3 Provision	Peak District	D2	Recreational	Recreational	Increased	-	х	Yes detailed	No
of Homes and	Moors		pressure	pressure	development			Strategic	
Jobs	South Pennine Moors  Cannock Chase  Cannock Extension Canal  Peak District Dales  Chartley Moss  Midlands Meres and Mosses		Air quality  Water resources	Emissions  Water resource use	could have air quality, increased population and greater resource use			Policy 2	

SP4	Peak District	A4	Recreational	Population	Whilst the spatial	-	х	Yes detailed	No
Distribution of	Moors		pressure	increase	strategy promoted			Policy 11 and	
Housing					growth in areas at			Strategic	
Growth	South				a greater distance			Policy SP24	
	Pennine				from the European			and SP26	
	Moors				sites, it would				
	Cannock				result in a				
	Chase				population				
	Cannock				increase with the				
	Extension				potential for an				
	Canal				increase in visitors				
	Cariai				to some European				
	Peak District				sites				
	Dales								
	West								
	Midlands								
	Meres and								
	Mosses								
SP5	West	B1	Air quality	Emissions	Increased	-	-	Yes detailed	No
Distribution of	Midlands		, ,		employment			policy 11	
Employment	Meres and				development				
Growth	Mosses				could increase				
					emissions and				
					increase water				
					resource use				
SP6 Managing	NA	A1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
the Release of									
Housing and									
Employment									
Land									

SP7 Sustainable Urban Extensions	River Mease Cannock Chase Peak District Dales Peak District Moors	D1	Recreational Pressure Hydrology	Population increase  Water quality and resource	The Local Plan Policy includes a spatial allocation for major urban extensions, which may lead to additional population and visitor pressure on European sites.	*	*	Yes	No
SP8 Development Outside Settlement Boundaries	Peak District Moors  South Pennine Moors  Cannock Chase  Cannock Extension Canal  Peak District Dales  West Midlands Meres and Mosses	D2	Recreational pressure	Population increase	Whilst the spatial strategy promoted growth in areas at a greater distance from the European sites, it would result in a population increase with the potential for an increase in visitors to some European sites	-	X	Yes detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No

SP9 Infrastructure Implementation and Delivery	NA	A1	NA	NA	The policy is concerned with monitoring and infrastructure implementation review processes	-	-	NA	No
SP10 Education	NA	B1	NA	NA	Provision of schools not considered to have a direct relationship to European Sites	-	-	NA	No
SP11 Bargates and Molson Coors Site	River Mease Cannock Chase Peak District Moors Peak District Dales	A4	Visitor Pressure Water use	Population increase Increase in water use	Site in Burton could lead to population increase and associated resource use and recreation pressure	-	X	Yes detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No

SP12 Derby Road Regeneration Corridor	River Mease Cannock Chase Peak District Moors Peak District Dales	A4	Visitor Pressure Water use	Population increase Increase in water use	Site in Burton could lead to population increase and associated resource use and recreation pressure	-	х	Yes detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No
SP13 Burton and Uttoxeter Employment	River Mease	B1	Water Quality and Quantity	Water abstraction, Change in drainage, Water pollution (industrial)	A mix of employment uses (B1, B2, B8) may have the potential for industrial water pollution.	-	-	Yes detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No

SP14 Rural	River Mease	B1	Water	Water	The policy	?	-	Yes detailed	No
Economy			Quality and	abstraction,	positively steers			Policy 11 and	
			Quantity	Change in	development to			Strategic	
				drainage,	existing			Policy SP24	
				Water	settlements.			and SP26	
				pollution					
					The strategic				
					village of Barton				
					under Needwood				
					is within closest				
					proximity to a				
					European site				
					(7.1km from River				
					Mease) for which				
					water quality and				
					quantity is an				
					existing				
					conservation issue				

SP15 Tourism,	Peak District	C2	Recreational	Visitor	Provision and	-	-	Yes detailed	No
Culture and	Moors		pressure	numbers	enhancement of			Policy 11 and	
Leisure			alleviation		tourist attractions			Strategic	
Development	South				could alleviate			Policy SP24	
	Pennine				visitor pressures			and SP26	
	Moors				on European sites				
	Cannock								
	Chase								
	Cannock								
	Extension								
	Canal								
	Peak District								
	Dales								
	Chartley								
	Moss								
	Midlands								
	Meres and								
	Mosses								
	Bees and								
	Green Clay								
	Pits								
SP16 Meeting	NA	A1	NA	NA	Policy relates to	NA	NA	NA	No
housing needs					the specific mix of				
					housing required				

SP17 Affordable Housing	NA	A1	NA	NA	Policy relates to the specific mix of housing required	NA	NA	NA	No
SP18 Housing Development on Exception sites	Peak District Moors  South Pennine Moors  Cannock Chase  Cannock Extension Canal  Peak District Dales  Chartley Moss  Midlands Meres and Mosses  Bees and Green Clay Pits	C2	Recreational pressure Water use Air quality	Population increase Increased water use Increase in emissions	The policy aims to steer development to sustainable settlements in line with the development strategy, away from European sites	?		Yes detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No

SP19 Gypsy and Traveller Pitches	NA	A4	NA	NA	The policy steers gypsy and traveller pitches within the development boundaries, and provides qualitative criteria regarding their design	-		NA	No
SP 20 Town and Local Centres	NA	A4	NA	NA	Policy sets the strategy for retail and town centre developments	-	-	NA	No
SP21 Managing Town and Local Centres	NA	A4	NA	NA	The policy positively steers development to the town centre and improve green infrastructure links to the existing network	-		NA	No

SP22 Supporting Local Communities	NA	A4	NA	NA	The policy positively steers development to sustainable and accessible sites in close proximity to existing settlements	-	-	NA	No
SP23 Green Infrastructure	Cannock Chase River Mease Peak District Dales Pasturefields Salt Marsh	A3	Potential for physical gain of biodiversity habitats	(% gain)	Potential to enhance, extend and link green infrastructure corridors	-	-	Yes	No
SP24 High Quality Design	NA	A1 and A3	NA	NA	The policy would not lead to development	-	-	NA	No
SP25 Historic Environment	NA	A1	NA	NA	The policy only relates to historic buildings and landscapes	NA	NA	NA	NA

SP26 National	NA	A2	NA	NA	Although no	-	-	NA	No
Forest					European sites lie				
					within the National				
					Forest, the policy				
					will lead to habitat				
					creation.				
					Promotion and				
					enhancement of				
					the National				
					Forest could				
					alleviate visitor				
					pressures on				
					European sites.				
SP27 Climate	River Mease	A2	Water	Water	The policy seeks	-	-	NA	No
Change, Water			Quality and	abstraction,	to prevent				
Management	Midlands		Quantity	Change in	unacceptable				
and Flooding	Meres and			drainage,	harm to the				
	Mosses			Water	protection and				
	<b>.</b>			pollution	storage capacity				
	Chartley			•	of the flood plain,				
	Moss				the characteristics				
					of surface water				
					run-off and the				
					drainage function				
					of the natural				
					watercourse				
					system				

SP28	NA	A2	Air Quality	Reduction in	The policy	-	-	NA	No
Renewable				greenhouse	encourages				
and Low				gas	renewable and				
Carbon Energy				emissions	low carbon energy				
Generation					generation with				
					the potential to				
					contribute to clean				
					energy supply,				
					reductions in				
					greenhouse gas				
					and other polluting				
					emissions. The				
					policy recognises				
					the need to				
					consider the				
					impact on				
					designated				
					European sites.				
SP29	NA	A2	Protected	Habitat gain	The policy seeks	-	-	Yes	No
Biodiversity			species and	and	to protect,				
and			habitats	biodiversity	maintain and				
Geodiversity				enhancement	enhance the				
					biodiversity and				
					geodiversity of all				
					types of sites.				
					European sites				
					have now been				
					referenced in a				
					separate policy				

SP30 Locally Significant Landscape and Views	NA	A1	NA	NA	The policy does not propose development but provides qualitative criteria regarding design	-	-	NA	No
SP31 Green Belt and Strategic Green Gaps	NA	A1	NA	NA	The policy does not propose development but guides development away from the Burton upon Trent/Swadlincote Green Belt and between Burton and surrounding villages and Uttoxeter and surrounding villages, which is a sufficient distance from any European sites	-	-	NA	No

SP32 Open	Peak District	C2	Recreational	Visitor	Provision and	-	-	Yes	No
Space and	Moors		pressure	numbers	enhancement of				
Outdoor Sports			alleviation		outdoor open				
	South				space and				
	Pennine				recreational				
	Moors				facilities could				
	Cannock				alleviate visitor				
	Chase				pressures on				
	Chase				European sites				
	Cannock								
	Extension								
	Canal								
	Peak District								
	Dales								
	Chartley								
	Chartley Moss								
	IVIUSS								
	Midlands								
	Meres and								
	Mosses								
	Bees and								
	Green Clay								
	Pits								

SP33 Indoor	Peak District	C2	Recreational	Visitor	Provision and	-	-	Yes	No
Sports	Moors		pressure	numbers	enhancement of				
	011		alleviation		indoor recreational				
	South				facilities could				
	Pennine				alleviate visitor				
	Moors				pressures on				
	Cannock				European sites				
	Chase								
	Cannock								
	Extension								
	Canal								
	Peak District								
	Dales								
	Chartley								
	Moss								
	Midlands								
	Meres and								
	Mosses								
	Bees and								
	Green Clay								
	Pits								
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SP34 Health	NA	A1	NA	NA	The policy does not propose development but provides standards for quality developments	-	-	NA	No
SP35 Accessibility and Sustainable Transport	NA	A2	Air Quality	Potential decrease in greenhouse gas emissions	The policy promotes a shift to more sustainable modes of transport, thereby encouraging a decrease in vehicle related emissions	-	-	NA	No

## **Detailed Policies Screening Matrix**

Preferred Option Policy	Relevant European Sites	Assessment Category	·		Comment	Likely Significant Impact on a European site (s)		Policy to enable screen out	Requirement for AA
			Impact	Indicator		Alone	In combination		
DP1 Design of New Development	NA	A1	NA	NA	The policy does not lead to development but provides residential design criteria	-	-	NA	No
DP2 Designing in Sustainable Construction	River Mease	A2	NA	NA	The policy promotes incorporation of facilities that minimise the use of water and the creation of waste, limit adverse effects on water quality, reduce water consumption and minimise the risk of flooding	-	-	NA	No

DP3 Design of New Residential Development, Extensions and Curtilages	NA	A1	NA	NA	The policy does not lead to development but provides residential design criteria	-	-	NA	No
DP4 Replacement Dwellings in the Countryside	NA	A1	NA	NA	The policy does not lead to development but provides residential design criteria for replacement dwellings	-	-	NA	No
DP 5 Protecting the historic environment All heritage Assets, Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas	NA	A3	NA	NA	The policy does not lead to development but provides design and process criteria for heritage assets, listed buildings and conservation areas	-	-	NA	No
DP 6 Protecting the historic environment - other heritage assets	NA	A3	NA	NA	The policy does not lead to development but provides design and process criteria for heritage assets	-	-	NA	No

DP 7 Pollution	NA	A2	NA	NA	NA	-	-	NA	No
DP8 Tree Protection	NA	A2	NA	NA	The policy promotes the protection of trees based on their visual, ecological and environmental amenity	-	-	NA	No
DP9 Advertisements	NA	A1	NA	NA	The policy will not lead to development	-	-	NA	No
DP10 Water recreation and blue infrastructure	River Mease West Midlands Meres and Mosses	A2	NA	NA	The policy could elad to impacts ion the water environment however mitigation is contained within the policy in terms of water wuality, carrying capacity, navigcation, habitat and ecological change	-	-	NA	No

DP11	Peak District	A4	NA	NA	The policy	-	-	NA	No
European Sites	Moors				specifically deals				
	0 11				with possible				
	South				impacts on all				
	Pennine				European Sites,				
	Moors				particularly				
	Cannock				Cannock Chase				
	Chase				SAC				
	Cannock								
	Extension								
	Canal								
	Peak District								
	Dales								
	Baics								
	West								
	Chartley								
	Moss								
	Midlands								
	Meres and								
	Mosses								
	10.00000								
	Bees and								
	Green Clay								
	Pits								

DP12 St	Peak District	A2	Visitor	Increase in	The policy aims to	-	х	Yes detailed	No
Georges	Dales		Pressure	visitors	support			Policy 11 and	
					development at St			Strategic	
	West				Georges which			Policy SP24	
	Chartley				could have a knock			and SP26	
	Moss				on effect to				
	Midlands				attracting visitors				
	Meres and				to other areas of				
	Mosses				the midlands				
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## **Appendix 4 Strategic Sites - Screening Matrix**

Strategic Site	Relevant Europea n Sites	Assessm ent Category	Potential Impact		Comment	Likely Significant Impact on a European site (s)		Policy to enable screen out	Requiremen t for AA
			Impact	Indicator		Alone	In combination		
Lawns Farm	River Mease	B1	Water quality/ quantity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant effects.	-	-	No	No
	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational pressures	Visitor numbers	Despite covering a large area, the site's mixed use nature will improve its self-sufficiency and green space provisions should reduce travel distances for recreational purposes.	-	х	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No
Beamhill	River Mease	B1	Water quality/ quantity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant effects.	-	-	No	No

	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational pressures	Visitor numbers	Development proposals for the site include a GI strategy, National Forest planting and a wooded corridor around Kitling Brook. This should reduce travel distances for recreational purposes. As confirmed by the outline planning application's accompanying EIA, the site is of a sufficient distance (21.8km) away from Cannock Chase to avoid the likelihood of a significant effect.	-	X	Yes, Policy SP20 and SP23	No
Pirelli, Beech Lane	River Mease	B1	Water quality/ quantity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant effects.	-	-	No	No
	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational pressures	Visitor numbers	This is a town centre, mixed use site which is of a sufficient distance (24.6km) away from Cannock Chase to avoid the likelihood of a significant effect.	-	х	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No
Branston Depot	River Mease	B1	Water quality/ quantity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant effects.	-	-	No	No
	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational pressures	Visitor numbers	This is a town centre, mixed use site which is of a sufficient distance (21.8km) away from Cannock Chase to avoid the likelihood of a significant effect.	-	х	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No

Town Centre sites at Bargates, Molson	River Mease	B1	Water quality/ quantity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant effects.	-	-	No	No
Coors High Street and Middle Yard	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational pressures	Visitor numbers	Due to the location of the site and close links to the washlands and Burtons GI network, it is not considered that the development would cause a significant effect	-	х	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No
Derby Road	River Mease	B1	Water quality/ quantity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant effects.	-	-	No	No
	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational pressures	Visitor numbers	Due to the location of the site and close links to the towns GI network, particularly canal network, along with meeting new GI standards, it is not considered that the development would cause a significant effect	-	х	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No
Harehedg e Lane	River Mease	B1	Water quality/ quantity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant effects.	-	-	No	No

	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational pressures	Visitor numbers	The site has a yield of 500 dwellings, and is therefore considered not to be of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect.	-	X	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No
Guinever e Road, Stretton	River Mease	B1	Water quality/ quantity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant effects.	-	-	No	No
	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational pressures	Visitor numbers	The land north of Stretton has a yield of 100 dwellings, and is therefore considered not to be of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect.	-	х	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No
Land south of Main Street, Branston	River Mease	B1	Water quality/ quantity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The Borough is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant effects.	-	-	No	No
Diansion	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational pressures	Visitor numbers	Development at this site would direct growth away from the Cannock Chase SAC, which is situated 20.1km to the west. The 650 dwellings would be accompanied by extensive open space provisions, and in close proximity to the Drakelow Nature Reserve and Branston Water Park. Combined with the distance, the number of visitors would be unlikely to have a significant effect.	-	X	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24 and SP26	No

Uttoxeter									
Land West of Uttoxeter	Peak District Moors and Cannock Chase	A4	Recreational Pressure	Visitor numbers	Due to the distance from the Peak District Moors the number of visitors would be unlikely to have a significant affect. In addition mitigation will be provided by detailed policy 11 and the requirement for onsite open space and green infrastructure standards	-	x	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24	No
	Pasturefie Ids Salt Marsh	B1	Water Quantity	Increase in demand/s upply	The site is of sufficient distance away from the Pasturefield Salt Marsh (11.7km) to avoid the likelihood of a significant affect.	-	-	No	No
	Chartley Moss Midland Meres and Mosses	B1	Pollution  Recreational Pressure	Air quality  Visitor numbers	The site is not of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect. However the Midland Mosses is vulnerable to diffuse air pollution and development of the site could contribute to wider cumulative effects through increasing polluting emissions, which may impact on the site.	-	-	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24	No
	Gang Mine	B1	Recreational Pressure	Visitor numbers	Given the size of the site and the distance away from Gang Mine (14.1km), development of the site is unlikely to have a significant affect.	-	-	No	No

Stone Road	Pasturefie Ids Salt Marsh	B1	Water Quantity	Increase in demand/s upply	The site is likely to accommodate around 100 dwellings, therefore given the size of the site and the distance away from the Midland Meres and Mosses (12.5km), development of the site is unlikely to have a significant affect.	-	-	No	No
	Midland Mosses (SAC) Midlands Meres and Mosses	B1	Pollution  Recreational Pressure	Air quality  Visitor numbers	The site is not of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect. However the Midland Mosses is vulnerable to diffuse air pollution and development of the site could contribute to wider cumulative effects through increasing polluting emissions, which may impact on the site.	-	-	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24	No
Brookside	Pasturefie Ids Salt Marsh	B1	Water Quantity	Increase in demand/s upply	The site is likely to accommodate around 100 dwellings, therefore given the size of the site and the distance away from the Midland Meres and Mosses (12.5km), development of the site is unlikely to have a significant affect.	-	-	No	No

	Chartley Moss  Midlands Meres and Mosses (Ramsar)	B1	Pollution  Recreational Pressure	Air quality  Visitor numbers	The site is not of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect. However the Midland Mosses is vulnerable to diffuse air pollution and development of the site could contribute to wider cumulative effects through increasing polluting emissions, which may impact on the site.	-	-	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24	No
JCB	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational Pressure	Visitor numbers	The site is being promoted for the development of 257 dwellings and mixed uses, as such the site is not of a sufficient scale to generate a significant increase in visitor numbers. In addition, the site masterplan includes the provision of a central landscape zone, with a central park running from the west to east through the site with amenity and nature conservation value.	-	х	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24	No
	Pasturefie Ids Salt Marsh	B1	Water Quantity	Increase in demand/s upply	Given the size of the site and the distance away from the Pasturefields Salt Marsh (12.6km), development of the site is unlikely to have a significant affect.	-	-	No	No

	Midland Mosses (SAC) Midlands Meres and Mosses	B1	Pollution  Recreational Pressure	Air quality Visitor numbers	The site is not of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect. However the Midland Mosses is vulnerable to diffuse air pollution and development of the site could contribute to wider cumulative effects through increasing polluting emissions, which may impact on the site.	-	-	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24	No
	Pasturefie Ids Salt Marsh	B1	Water Quantity	Water demand/s upply	The site is not of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect.	-	-	No	No
Hazelwall s Farm	Cannock Chase	B1	Recreational Pressure	Visitor numbers	The site is not of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect.  The site is around 14km from Cannock Chase and whilst this is within the distance travelled, that has been identified for the majority of visitors, the site would only provide a relatively small number of dwellings and new residents. However, the site could contribute to a cumulative increase in recreational pressure.	•	X	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24	No
	Pasturefie Ids Salt Marsh	B1	Water Quantity	Water demand/s upply	The site is not of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect.	-	-	No	No

	Midland Mosses (SAC)  Midlands Meres and Mosses	B1	Pollution  Recreational Pressure	Air quality  Visitor numbers	Despite the proximity to the SAC and Ramsar (5.9km), the site is not of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect. However the Midland Mosses is vulnerable to diffuse air pollution and development of the site could contribute to wider cumulative effects through increasing polluting emissions, which may impact on the site.	-	-	Yes, detailed Policy 11 and Strategic Policy SP24	No
Land at Derby Road for Employm ent	Pasturefie Ids Salt Marsh	B1	Water Quantity	Water demand and supply	Unlikely that employment development would cause a likely significant effect	-	-	No	No
	Chartley Moss	B1	Pollution  Recreational Pressure	Air quality  Visitor numbers	Unlikely that employment development would cause a likely significant effect	-	-	No	No
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South of Main Street, Rocester	Peak District Dales	B1	Water quantity	Water demand/s upply	The site is situated 11.1km from the Peak District Dales, although is not of a sufficient scale (4.1ha, 123 dwellings) for development to cause a likely significant effect.	-	-	No	No

	Midland Mosses (SAC)  Midlands Meres and Mosses	B1	Pollution  Recreational Pressure	Air quality Visitor numbers	Despite the proximity to the SAC and Ramsar (13.1km), the site is not of a sufficient scale for development to cause a likely significant effect. However the Midland Mosses is vulnerable to diffuse air pollution and development of the site could contribute to wider cumulative effects through increasing polluting emissions, which may impact on the site.	-	-	Yes, Detailed policy 11, Strategic Policy 24	No
Land at Burton Road, Tutbury	River Mease	B1	Water Quality/Quan tity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The site is not within the River Mease catchment area, as such there are no likely significant affects.	-	-	No	No
Rolleston College Site	Midland Meres and Mosses	B1	Pollution  Recreational Pressure	Air quality  Water demand/s upply	Given the size of the site (approximately 120 dwellings) and the distance from the Midland Meres and Mosses (14km), development of the site is unlikely to have a significant affect.	-	-	No	No
	River Mease	B1	Water Quality/Quan tity	Increased demand/s upply/disc harge	The site is not within the River Mease catchment area, therefore there are no likely significant affects.	1	-	No	No

	Cannock	B1	Recreational	Visitor	At 6ha (120 dwellings), the site is not of a	-	-	Yes, Detailed	No
	Chase		Pressure	numbers	sufficient scale for development to cause			policy 11,	
					a likely significant effect.			Strategic	
								Policy 24	
					The site is around 14km from Cannock			-	
					Chase and whilst this is within the				
					distance travelled, that has been identified				
					for the majority of visitors, and the site				
					would only provide a relatively small				
					number of dwellings and new residents.				
					However, the site could contribute to a				
					cumulative increase in recreational				
					pressure.				
Barton	River	B1	Water	Increased	Whilst the site is within close proximity to	_	_	No	No
Efflinch	Mease		Quality/Quan	demand/s	the River Mease (2.69km), it is not within			140	140
Lane			tity	upply/disc	the Mease catchment area and therefore				
			,	harge	is not hydrologically connected. As such,				
				lge	there are no likely significant affects.				
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	Cannock	B1	Recreational	Visitor	Due to the distance from Cannock Chase	-	-	Yes, Detailed	No
	Chase		Pressure	numbers	(17.2km) the number of visitors generated			policy 11,	
					from the residential development of the			Strategic	
					site would be unlikely to have a significant			Policy 24	
					affect. However, the site could contribute				
					to a wider cumulative impact.				