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Non-Technical Summary

Introduction

AECOM is commissioned to undertake Sustainability Appraisal (SA) in support of the Wellingborough Local Plan. SA is a mechanism for considering and communicating the likely effects of a draft plan, and alternatives, in terms of sustainability issues, with a view to avoiding and mitigating adverse effects and maximising the positives. SA of the Local Plan is a legal requirement.

The Council is preparing the Local Plan for Wellingborough. The Plan is Part 2 of the Local Plan for Wellingborough, the first part (Part 1) being the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy (JCS), which was Adopted in July 2016. Part 2 will contain locally specific policies and site allocations that elaborate and provide more detail on how the adopted JCS will be implemented within the Borough of Wellingborough including where more local guidance is required. The Local Plan Part 2 is at an advanced stage of preparation, having been formally published in September 2017 ahead of being submitted to Government for examination in January 2018; and then having been the focus of examination hearings in April 2018.

As a result of the hearing statements and representation received during examination a number of changes are being proposed to the Local Plan. These changes are referred to as modifications and need to be considered through the SA process to determine if they significantly affect the findings of the previous SA work.

This is a Non-Technical Summary (NTS) of the SA Report Addendum, which is an Addendum to the SA Report published in 2017 and submitted in 2018 [Exam ref: SA 1]. The aim of the SA Report Addendum is essentially to present information on the proposed modifications, and alternatives where appropriate, with a view to informing the current consultation and subsequent plan finalisation.

Scope

The scope of the SA work, with respect to the Wellingborough Local Plan, is introduced within the SA Report submitted in 2018 [Exam ref: SA 1]. Essentially, the scope is reflected in a list of sustainability objectives, which collectively provide a methodological 'framework' for appraisal. The SA objectives were grouped into four broad themes, detailed in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Sustainability themes

Sustainability theme	SA objectives covered
Social progress which recognises the needs of everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessibility • Housing • Health • Crime • Community • Skills • Liveability
Effective protection of the environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Landscape • Cultural Heritage • Climate Change
Prudent use of natural resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air quality • Water quality/demand • Flooding/ natural hazards • Soil and land • Minerals • Energy use • Waste

Screening of Proposed Modifications

The Council is proposing a number of minor and main modifications to the submitted Local Plan Part 2 as a result of the examination hearing sessions and representations received. It is necessary to screen the modifications to determine if they significantly affect the findings of the submitted SA Report [Exam ref: SA 1] and if further appraisal work is therefore required.

All of the proposed main modifications were screened to determine if further SA work was required or they could be screened out from appraisal. The proposed changes and detailed findings of the screening including the rationale for why a main modification was screened in or out are provided in Appendix I of the main SA Report Addendum. Minor modifications mainly relate to minor edits to the Plan text and have therefore been screened out as not being significant in terms of the SA, i.e. they would be unlikely to give rise to significant effects.

The screening of the proposed main modifications found that the majority do not affect the findings of the previous SA work presented in the submitted SA Report [Exam ref: SA 1]. The changes seek to provide further clarity and do not fundamentally alter the thrust of the policies.

Only three Modifications were identified that required further consideration in the SA. These are as follows:

- MM9 provides greater flexibility to developers with regards to self-build and custom build housing. The change provides greater flexibility for developers to build out plots that have not been taken-up within 12 months.
- MM13 enhances links to the approved masterplan and is also stronger with regards to amenity concerns.
- MM25 reflects an increase in the delivery of housing at the WEAST SUE within the Plan period.

Consideration of alternatives

No reasonable alternatives have been identified with regards to MM9 and MM13.

MM25 recognises an increase in housing delivery at WEAST, which amounts to an additional 387 dwellings in the Plan period. This means that the total housing delivery for the Plan period is higher.

One potential alternative would be to reduce the number of homes delivered on other sites to ensure that the overall level of delivery in the Plan period remains the same as in the Submitted version of the Plan. However, 'de-allocating' other sites is not considered to be an appropriate approach as they are not comparable and are required to help meet shorter term targets.

Appraisal of Modifications

The appraisal findings identified that the Modifications would have minor positive effects as outlined below.

MM9: Positive effects on housing delivery and economy as the change allows for plots to be built-out when no interest has been shown

MM13: Positive effects with regards to health and wellbeing due to a stronger emphasis on amenity.

MM25: Neutral effects are predicted for all SA Objectives given that the SUE is committed. Quicker delivery of the SUE towards the end of the plan period is unlikely to cause any cumulative effects on

environmental or social factors. Some positive effects are noted such as maintaining a strong offer of housing choice and affordability. However, this is not substantially different to the current situation.

Whilst the Modifications are broadly positive, none of them would lead to a fundamental change to the original SA findings presented in the submitted SA Report.

Mitigation and enhancement

No mitigation or enhancement measures have been identified.

Monitoring

Monitoring measures set out in the SA Report remain appropriate. No significant effects have been identified as a result of the Modifications.

Next Steps

Following the current consultation, the Inspector will consider all representations received, before deciding whether to report on the Plan's soundness (with modifications as necessary), or resume examination hearings. Assuming that the Inspector is ultimately able to find the Plan 'sound', it will then be adopted by the Council. At the time of adoption an 'SA Statement' will be published that explains the process of plan-making/SA in full and presents 'measures decided concerning monitoring'.

The SA Report [Exam ref: SA 1] submitted alongside the Local Plan Part 2 presented a range of 'measures envisaged concerning monitoring' in Table 18.2. The work carried out in relation to the proposed modifications does not necessitate any significant amendments to the proposed measures at this stage. A final list of monitoring measures will be presented within the SA Statement produced once the Local Plan part 2 is adopted.

1. Introduction

Background

- 1.1 The Council is preparing the Local Plan for Wellingborough. It will form part of the new Local Plan for 2011-2031 that comprises two parts. Part 1 is the Joint Core Strategy (JCS) for North Northamptonshire¹ which was adopted by the Joint Planning Committee on behalf of Corby, Kettering, Wellingborough and East Northamptonshire councils in July 2016. It sets out a long term vision for the area and establishes the overall spatial strategy for growth including key strategic issues such as the amount of new housing and jobs, infrastructure priorities, proposals for enhancing the environment and the policy framework for development control.
- 1.2 Part 2 will contain locally specific policies and site allocations that elaborate and provide more detail on how the adopted JCS will be implemented within the Borough of Wellingborough including where more local guidance is required. The Local Plan Part 2 is at an advanced stage of preparation, having been formally published in September 2017 ahead of being submitted to Government for examination in January 2018; and then having been the focus of examination hearings in April 2018.
- 1.3 As a result of the hearing statements and representation received during examination a number of modifications are being proposed to the Local Plan.

Sustainability Appraisal (SA)

- 1.4 AECOM is commissioned to undertake Sustainability Appraisal (SA) in support of the Wellingborough Local Plan. SA is a legally required process that aims to ensure that the significant effects of an emerging draft plan (and alternatives) are systematically considered and communicated. It is a requirement that SA is undertaken in-line with the procedures prescribed by the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations (the 'SEA Regulations') 2004.

Purpose and Structure of this SA Report Addendum

- 1.5 The aim of this SA Report Addendum is essentially to present information on the proposed modifications, and alternatives where appropriate, with a view to informing the current consultation and subsequent plan finalisation.
- 1.6 This report is known as an SA Report 'Addendum' on the basis that it is an Addendum to the SA Report published in 2017 and submitted in 2018 [Exam ref: SA 1]. This SA Report Addendum is structured as follows:
 - **Chapter 2** - presents the scope of the SA;
 - **Chapter 3** - explains the method and presents the findings of the screening of proposed modifications; and
 - **Chapter 4** - sets out the next steps in plan-making and the SA process as well as any changes to previously proposed monitoring measures.

¹ [North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy 2011-2031](#), July 2016

2. What's the scope of the SA?

The SA Framework

2.1 The scope of the SA work, with respect to the Wellingborough Local Plan, is introduced within the SA Report submitted in 2018 [Exam ref: SA 1]. Essentially, the scope is reflected in a list of sustainability objectives, which collectively provide a methodological 'framework' for appraisal. The SA objectives are listed below in Table 2.1 below. It has not been necessary to update or revise the SA framework for the purposes of this appraisal.

Table 2.1: The SA Framework

SA Topic	SA Objectives	Assessment questions (will the option or policy...)
Social progress which recognises the needs of everyone		
Accessibility	To improve accessibility and transport links from residential areas to key services, facilities and employment areas and enhance access to natural environment and recreational opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve access for the disabled? • Improve access to public transport? • Improve public transport services? • Improve access to local services and facilities? • Improve access to IT? • Improve access by foot or cycle? • Ensure services are located to maintain the viability of settlements? • Reduce the need to travel? • Reduce travel distances (particularly journey to work)? • Ensure development is directed to locations with good accessibility by means other than the private car? • Improve access to the natural environment or recreation opportunities?
Housing	Ensure that new housing provided meets the housing needs of the area provide affordable and decent housing for all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce homelessness? • Provide affordable housing? • Reduce the number of unfit homes? • Provide housing to meet local needs in the rural area? • Provide for special needs housing? • Improve the standard of existing dwellings? • Provide a range of house types and sizes appropriately mixed together? • Facilitate provision of new homes in communities with sense of place and adequate access to facilities? • Facilitate provision of new homes which are easy to maintain and heat and which minimise the impact on the environment? • Provide sites to meet the needs for Gypsies, Travellers or Travelling Showpeople?
Health	Improve overall levels of physical and mental health, reduce the disparities between different groups and different areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address health and welfare needs and inequalities in the area? • Encourage healthy lifestyles (including travel choices)? • Improve sporting or recreational facilities and access to them? • Increase access to affordable locally produced fruit and vegetables? • Improve access to high quality health facilities? • Reduce direct risk to health through air pollution, contaminated land etc? • Reduce indirect risk to health through improved housing etc? • Reduce stress through reducing environmental nuisance e.g. noise?
Crime	To improve community safety, reduce the incidences of crime and the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce incidences of crime? • Reduce the fear of crime? • Ensure design and layout minimises the opportunity for crime? • Involve the community in control of their local area?

SA Topic	SA Objectives	Assessment questions (will the option or policy...)
a safe place to live		
Community	Value and nurture a sense of belonging in a cohesive community whilst respecting diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the ability of people to influence decisions? • Improve cultural diversity? • Create or sustain a vibrant community? • Encourage engagement in community activities? • Meet specific needs of a section of the community? • Affect a deprived community? • Promote civic participation, ownership and/or responsibility? • Provide for places where people and groups can gather (e.g. places of worship, community centres, community spaces)? • Link communities together (e.g by footpaths or provision of shared facilities)? • Ensure that all sections of the community are provided with choice and opportunity irrespective of race, age disability, gender, sexual orientation, religion or belief?
Skills	To improve overall levels of education and skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve access to educational/learning or training facilities for all ages? • Promote access to information, knowledge and support for groups/individuals? • Provide appropriate new education or training facilities (e.g. primary and secondary schools within neighbourhoods)
Liveability	To create healthy, clean and pleasant environments for people to enjoy living, working and recreating in and to protect and enhance residential amenity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevent or reduce noise pollution? • Improve the cleanliness of the environment? • Prevent or reduce overlooking? • Reduce unpleasant odours? • Improve the satisfaction of people with their neighbourhoods? • Improve /safeguard tranquillity? • Minimise light pollution or reduce or remove light pollution?
Effective protection of the environment		
Biodiversity	To protect, conserve and enhance biodiversity, geodiversity, wildlife habitats and green infrastructure to achieve a net gain and to avoid habitat fragmentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect and enhance sites of acknowledged importance for wildlife (SSSIs, CWS, LNRs)? • Avoid harm to and enhance opportunities for protected species and others listed in the Northamptonshire Red Data Book? • Create habitats of value for wildlife in particular those which meet BAP target? • Improve the connectivity of green spaces and green networks? • Improve appropriate access to natural areas? • Avoid fragmentation of habitats? • Create new greenspace networks? • Improve management of habitats? • Will it allow biodiversity to adapt to the impacts of climate change? • Improve the ecological status of water courses? • Avoid harm to the conservation objectives of the Upper Nene Valley SPA?
Landscape	To protect and enhance the quality, character and local distinctiveness of the natural and cultural landscape and the built environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure landscape character is used to assess the capacity of areas to absorb new development thereby influencing the location and scale of development? • Ensure landscape Character Assessment influences design of the built environment and networks of green infrastructure • Protect or enhance significant local views? • Maintain and enhance the quality of built settlements? • Promote high quality urban design? • Protect, maintain, enhance and expand good quality open space within and adjacent to settlements?

SA Topic	SA Objectives	Assessment questions (will the option or policy...)
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create buildings and spaces that are attractive, functional, adaptable and durable that compliment, enhance and support local character? • Encourage the re-use and refurbishment of the existing built environment?
Cultural Heritage	Protect and enhance sites, features and areas of historic, archaeological, architectural and artistic interest and their settings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect and enhance sites, features and areas of historical, archaeological, architectural and cultural value and their setting? • Improve opportunities for public art? • Improve access to and interpretation of historic sites? • Improve the management of historic sites? • Enable historic sites to contribute to green infrastructure • Support the repair and reuse of historic buildings? • Encourage the use of local materials that help strengthen townscape character? • Encourage the re-use and refurbishment of the existing built environment?
Climate Change	Reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases and impact of climate change (adaptation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce emissions of greenhouse gases? • Provide for low-carbon sources of energy supply? • Increase tree cover? • Encourage land uses and land management practices that help secure carbon sinks? • Make a contribution to urban cooling (e.g through the layout of open space and shading from trees) • Ensure adaptability of environments and buildings to climate change effects? • Take a long term view of climate change? • Take a precautionary approach to increases in risk that could arise as a result of likely changes to the climate? • Promote resource efficient buildings?
Prudent Use of natural resources		
Air	To maintain or improve local air quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce traffic related pollution? • Minimise or reduce light pollution? • Reduce levels of dust or particulates? • Improve indoor air quality – for example by improving ventilation? • Ensure adequate radon protection?
Water	Maintain or improve the quality of ground and surface water resources and minimise the demand for water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimise or reduce the risk of pollution to water? • Ensure adequate waste water infrastructure is available? • Reduce water consumption? • Improve water efficiency? • Encourage Sustainable Drainage Schemes (SUDS) that are well designed and managed? • Encourage water recycling or re-use? • Ensure there is sufficient capacity for water supply, sewage and sewerage to service development
Natural Hazard	Reduce the impact of flooding and avoid additional risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce the risk of flooding? • Avoid development in floodplains? • Encourage Sustainable Drainage Schemes (SUDS) that are well designed and managed? • Ensure adaptability of environments and buildings to natural hazards?
Soil and Land	Ensure the efficient use of land and maintain the resource of productive soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the best and most versatile agricultural land? • Reduce the risk of land contamination? • Remediate contaminated land?

SA Topic	SA Objectives	Assessment questions (will the option or policy...)
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimise the loss of greenfield land? • Maximise the use of brownfield land? • Maximise densities? • Minimise land take?
Minerals	Ensure the efficient use of minerals and primary resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoid the sterilisation of known minerals reserves? • Promote the appropriate use of primary and secondary aggregates? • Encourage the use of secondary and recycled aggregates? • Safeguard minerals development from inappropriate uses
Energy Use	To mitigate climate change by minimising carbon based energy usage by increasing energy efficiency and to develop North Northamptonshires renewable energy resource, reducing dependency on non-renewable resources.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimise or reduce energy use? • Promote energy efficient buildings? • Reduce the dependency on non-renewable resources? • Encourage the development of renewable or low carbon energy generation schemes (eg. Wind)? • Encourage community heating schemes or combined heat and power? • Encourage small scale schemes in developments (micro-generation eg. Solar hot water)? • Encourage decentralised energy supply (local renewable or low carbon on or near the site but not remote)
Waste	To reduce waste arisings and increase reuse, recycling and composting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote resource efficient buildings? • Encourage the use of recycled materials? • Reduce the production of waste? • Provide recycling facilities? • Minimise waste disposal? • Encourage household waste management (e.g. by ensuring sufficient space for segmented waste bins)?
Maintenance of high and stable levels of economic growth and employment		
Employment	Maintain and enhance employment opportunities and to reduce the disparities arising from unequal access to jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide new jobs? • Encourage efficient patterns of movement? • Increase the proportion of knowledge based and high technology businesses? • Encourage and support the rural economy? • Increase the diversity and quality of employment opportunities in the rural area • Provide quality accessible childcare opportunities? • Create jobs which target the whole working population especially local residents or the unemployed? • Provide opportunities for home working? • Sustain existing businesses?
Wealth Creation	Retain and enhance the factors which are conducive to wealth creation, including personal creativity, infrastructure and the local strengths and qualities that are attractive to visitors and investors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage enterprise and innovation? • Exploit opportunities for new technologies? • Encourage innovation in sustainable design and construction? • Enhance and promote the image of the area as a business and a sustainable tourist location? • Improve house price/earnings ratio? • Improve access to high speed broadband?
Town Centres	Protect and enhance the vitality and viability of town centres and market towns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retain and develop a wide range of uses, attractions and amenities? • Ensure good accessibility to and within the centre? • Attract continuing investment in development or refurbishment • Encourage the evening economy • Encourage increased housing in the town centre

SA Topic SA Objectives Assessment questions (will the option or policy...)

2.2 The SA objectives were grouped into four broad themes, detailed in Table 2.2 below. This ensures consistency with the approach taken in the SA of the Joint Core Strategy.

Table 2.2: Sustainability themes

Sustainability theme	SA objectives covered	
Social progress which recognises the needs of everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessibility • Housing • Health • Crime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community • Skills • Liveability
Effective protection of the environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Landscape 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural Heritage • Climate Change
Prudent use of natural resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air quality • Water quality/demand • Flooding/ natural hazards • Soil and land 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minerals • Energy use • Waste

3. Screening of Proposed Modifications

Introduction

- 3.1 The Council is proposing a number of minor and main modifications to the submitted Local Plan Part 2 as a result of the examination hearing sessions and representations received. It is necessary to screen the modifications to determine if they significantly affect the findings of the submitted SA Report [Exam ref: SA 1] and if further appraisal work is therefore required.

Method

- 3.2 All of the proposed main modifications were screened to determine if further SA work was required or they could be screened out from appraisal. The findings of the screening including the rationale for why a main modification was screened in or out are provided in Appendix I. Minor modifications mainly relate to minor edits to the Plan text and have therefore been screened out as not being significant in terms of the SA, i.e. they would be inherently unlikely to give rise to significant effects.

Screening Findings

- 3.3 The screening of the proposed main modifications (Appendix I) found that the majority would not have an effect on the findings of the previous SA work presented in the submitted SA Report [Exam ref: SA 1].
- 3.4 The changes seek to provide further clarity and do not fundamentally alter the thrust of the policies. There are no new or significantly amended policies/ allocations that require any further appraisal work or necessitate revisions to the previous work.
- 3.5 Three Modifications have been identified as requiring further consideration. These are as follows:
- MM9 provides greater flexibility to developers with regards to self-build and custom build housing. The change provides greater flexibility for developers to build out plots that have not been taken-up within 12 months.
 - MM13 enhances links to the approved masterplan and is also stronger with regards to amenity concerns.
 - MM25 amends the housing trajectory resulting in an additional 377 dwellings in the plan period
- 3.6 Each of these Modifications have been considered in further detail; covering the following elements:
- Consideration of reasonable alternative approaches
 - Appraisal against the SA framework
 - Potential for mitigation / enhancement
 - Monitoring

4. Consideration of alternatives

4.1 For each Modification, the potential for alternative approaches was considered. This is discussed below.

MM9

4.2 The original policy is the only alternative that is considered to be reasonable. Given that this has already been appraised, there is no need for further SA work to be undertaken.

MM13

4.3 The changes proposed are very specific, and do not lend themselves to the appraisal of alternative approaches. No reasonable alternatives have been identified.

MM25

4.4 The changes recognise an increase in housing delivery at WEAST SUE, which amounts to an additional 387 dwellings in the Plan period. A slower anticipated delivery rate at Park Farm Way/Shelley Road and minor amendments to two small sites means that the total housing delivery for the Plan period is 377 dwellings higher than within the Submission Local Plan.

4.5 One potential alternative would be to reduce the number of homes delivered on other sites to ensure that the overall level of delivery in the Plan period remains the same as in the Submitted version of the Plan. However, 'de-allocating' other sites is not considered to be an appropriate approach for several reasons:

- No additional sites have been allocated, and the same scale of development at WEAST would occur anyway (though at a slower rate).
- Sites proposed for allocation are required to offer flexibility and choice, and / or to ensure delivery of housing in the earlier stages of the Plan period.

4.6 For these reasons, it is considered that there are no reasonable alternatives to MM25.

5. Appraisal of the modifications

5.1 The three Modifications that were 'screened-in' have been appraised in further detail. The results are presented below

Appraisal of MM9

5.2 The proposed Modifications are likely to have benefits with regards to the delivery of housing. This would primarily be achieved by ensuring that custom-build plots do not remain vacant for more than 12 months.

5.3 The changes would also have positive effects for the economy, as it allows building companies to build and sell properties, should there be no interest in self-build plots.

5.4 No effects have been predicted for environmental factors, as there would be homes developed in any case.

5.5 Though the policy allows for plots to be built-out within 12 months, this is not considered likely to negate the positive effects that the policy is predicted to have with regards to social capital.

5.6 The policy is still supportive of self-build and custom build homes, and only allows for plots to be built-out following a suitable period of marketing. This should still allow for groups with an interest to take-up such opportunities.

- 5.7 The appraisal has found that there are positive effects on housing and economy. However, these are minor in nature, and do not change the previous SA findings (which already predict positive effects for these SA Objectives).

Appraisal of MM13

- 5.8 The proposed Modifications are predicted to be more likely to have positive effects with regards to health and wellbeing (by ensuring that amenity is considered for new and existing residents). However, this is not likely to generate a significant positive effect as such concerns would likely be considered to an extent under the existing policy framework. Therefore, the existing minor positive effects predicted for health and wellbeing would remain the same.
- 5.9 Taking better account of amenity is not likely to lead to a negative or positive effect on any other sustainability factors.

Appraisal of MM25

- 5.10 The Proposed Modifications recognise that there will be an increase in delivery at WEAST. SUE. This means that 387 more homes should be built in the plan period.
- 5.11 The effects of this should be considered in the context of the Submitted version of the Plan (*i.e. Whether or not the delivery of a further 387 homes at WEAST would lead to significant effects on sustainability factors when considered alongside proposed development elsewhere*).
- 5.12 Given that the SUE is committed, the effects of development are already taken into consideration in the SA (i.e. it is part of the 'baseline position'). Whilst this situation has changed, with more homes likely to be delivered in the Plan period; the scale of development, layout, design, type of homes, and supporting infrastructure would remain the same.
- 5.13 Therefore, the physical effects of development are not predicted to be notably different when compared to the Submission version of the Plan. For example, the effects of development on the built form and landscape character would remain the same, as would the effects on biodiversity, water quality and drainage and soil resources.
- 5.14 Increasing development in this area towards the latter end of the Plan period will increase the overall levels of construction activity, and could also have effects upon the number of car trips from new development. The cumulative effects of this alongside other development that is anticipated in this time frame are predicted to be neutral though. The scale of additional delivery in the Plan period is relatively small, and there are no other major developments in the pipeline in close proximity.
- 5.15 With regards to housing delivery, the effects are negligible. Whilst a higher amount of growth ought to be positive with regards to availability of homes, the effects of the Plan are already considered to be significantly positive in this respect.
- 5.16 Accepting this modification without a commensurate reduction in housing delivery from other sites is predicted to have neutral effects across the sustainability framework.

6. Mitigation and enhancement

- 6.1 No mitigation or enhancement measures have been identified.

7. Next steps

Plan Finalisation

- 7.1 This Chapter explains the next steps in the plan-making/SA process.
- 7.2 Following the current consultation, the Inspector will consider all representations received, before deciding whether to report on the Plan's soundness (with modifications as necessary), or resume examination hearings.
- 7.3 Assuming that the Inspector is ultimately able to find the Plan 'sound', it will then be adopted by the Council. At the time of adoption an 'SA Statement' will be published that explains the process of plan-making/SA in full and presents 'measures decided concerning monitoring'.

Monitoring

- 7.4 The SA Report [Exam ref: SA 1] submitted alongside the Local Plan Part 2 presented a range of 'measures envisaged concerning monitoring' in Table 18.2. The work carried out in relation to the proposed modifications does not necessitate any significant amendments to the proposed measures at this stage (given that no additional significant effects have been identified).
- 7.5 A final list of monitoring measures will be presented within the SA Statement produced once the Local Plan part 2 is adopted.

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Appendix I: Screening of proposed Main Modifications

Table IA: Screening the Main Modifications for the purposes of the SA

Ref	Local Plan Policy/Para	Modification proposed	Reason	SA Screening
MM1	Para 5.1.5	<p>Amend paragraph 5.1.5 to read:</p> <p>Wellingborough has two SUEs currently in progress that will contribute new green infrastructure to the existing network. <u>The approved masterplans for both these sites have been designed to connect to the existing network and provide important new multifunctional green corridors throughout the developments.</u> A key expanse of new GI will be delivered by the Wellingborough East SUE, which will create parks, access routes and new habitat along the River Ise <u>as well as green links that permeate the development.</u> The Wellingborough North SUE will create new GI along the ridgeline north of the town and current plans indicate that this <u>which</u> will connect to the north of Park Farm Industrial Estate and another corridor along the brook. <u>Additional green links connect these main corridors within the development.</u> <u>The development principles for both SUEs are set out in Policy Site 1 and Policy Site 2.</u></p>	<p>Additional text suggested following discussion at the hearings, to reflect that the masterplans for the SUEs are consistent with the proposed GI framework and to include a cross reference to the site specific policies.</p>	<p>Clarification does not significantly affect the findings of the SA. The changes are made to supporting text for clarity rather than the actual policies.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>
MM2	Para 5.1.7	<p>Add to paragraph 5.1.7:</p> <p><u>The intention is to ensure that the integrity of the overall GI network is not compromised by inappropriate development and land management. The integrity of the GI corridors should be retained through positive place shaping considerations for both people and biodiversity to enhance and invest in the natural capital of the area. It is envisaged that this is achievable on all developments that may be within or near to corridors through a range of design features that are most relevant to that site and location and often act as drivers for the design of the place. Where development is planned within or in close proximity to a GI corridor, it should become an integral feature to the design and 'identity' of the development site to ensure that the connectivity of the network for both public benefit and biodiversity is retained and enhanced. Green infrastructure corridors should be multifunctional spaces that reflect and enhance the character of the local environment and also operate at a landscape scale across the town as a whole.</u></p>	<p>Additional text suggested following discussion at the hearings to clarify what is considered by 'compromise the integrity'.</p>	<p>Modification provides further clarity on GI corridors. This does not significantly affect the findings of the SA and does not change the policy wording.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>

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MM3	Policy GI 1	<p><u>In cases where there is an unavoidable need to trade off existing GI assets to meet social and economic needs, this should be offset by appropriate mitigation and compensation measures to enhance the functionality of other GI assets elsewhere within the GI network. However, some semi-natural habitats, such as ancient woodlands, are irreplaceable and need protection and appropriate connections between spaces need to be maintained.</u></p> <p>Amend Policy GI 1 to read:</p> <p>Development must be designed to protect and enhance existing Green Infrastructure networks, and the connections between them where possible.</p> <p>Local GI corridors within Wellingborough town as identified on the Policies Map, will be priorities for investment and improvement. These will be safeguarded <u>protected</u> and enhanced by:</p> <p>A. ensuring that new development will not compromise the integrity of the green infrastructure network;</p> <p>B. ensuring new development <u>maintains existing and where appropriate</u> provides appropriate connections to the existing green corridors;</p> <p>C. ensuring that wherever possible new open space connects to or is provided within the green infrastructure corridors;</p> <p>D. prioritising investment in enhancement of open space, sport and recreation in green infrastructure corridors; and</p> <p>E. using developer contributions to facilitate improvements to their quality.</p> <p>In the rural areas Local GI corridors will be safeguarded <u>protected</u> and enhanced. Opportunities to connect these corridors into the wider GI network will be supported.</p>	Additional text suggested following discussion at the hearings to ensure the policy is positively worded.	<p>Minor changes that do not significantly affect the findings of the SA.</p> <p>Whilst the clarity that existing GI should be maintained, this is already covered implicitly by clause A.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>

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MM4	Para 5.2.7	Amend second sentence of Paragraph 5.2.7 as outlined below: <i>'Sites with closed access (e.g. private <u>garden</u> land) from any of these typologies are not identified as Local Open Space.'</i>	To clarify that sites with no public access are not identified as LOS. In response to Rep ID 9 – see CON 8 page 40	Clarification does not affect the findings of the SA. There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.
MM5	Policy GI 4 and GI 5	Add a new paragraph after Policy GI5 to read: <u>The council intends to produce an Open Space, Sport and Recreation Supplementary Planning Document to provide further guidance in relation to Policies GI 4 and GI 5 including how developer contributions will be sought.'</u>	To provide greater clarity on the council's intention to produce an SPD. In response to Rep ID 91 – see CON 8 page 81	Clarification does not affect the findings of the SA. There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.
MM6	Para 7.3.2	Amend paragraph 7.3.2 to read: Full details of the housing land supply including existing commitments and the allocations from this plan are set out in the Housing Land Supply background paper(W). The housing trajectory is set out in Appendix A. A summary of the housing land supply for the borough, which includes that coming through made and emerging Neighbourhood Plans is provided below.	As discussed at the hearing sessions, it is necessary to include the housing trajectory within the plan rather than a background paper.	General principals of the policy remain the same and changes will not affect the findings of the SA. There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.
MM7	Para 7.3.4	Amend paragraph 7.3.4 to read: The Housing Land Supply background paper also sets out the five year supply position for the borough. This identifies a 6.7 year supply for the period 2018/19 to 2022/23. The five year housing land supply position is set out in Appendix A. This identifies a 6.04 year supply for the period 2018/19 to 2022/23.	As discussed at the hearing sessions, it is necessary to include the housing trajectory within the plan rather than a background paper. The revised five year supply calculation takes account of the revised	General principals of the policy remain the same and will not affect the findings of the SA. There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.

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			trajectory submitted as HOU 6.	
MM8	Para 7.4.19	<p>Amend paragraph 7.4.19 to read:</p> <p>In order to ensure a variety of sites are available for self-build <u>and custom build</u>, the council will seek the provision of a proportion of serviced <u>the plots on sites of 50 dwellings or more or 1.4ha or more site area that come forward either as allocations in the plan or as windfall sites to make provision for self-build and custom build plots.</u> These<u>There are a variety of ways of delivering these plots and this should be discussed and agreed with the council, different approaches will suit different sites and developers.</u> <u>Serviced building plots for self-build should be offered for sale on the open market. The council will also notify those on the register of their availability of self-build and custom build plots.</u> <u>Plots could be covered by Design Codes on larger sites.</u> <u>Serviced Sites plots which have been appropriately marketed at a prevailing market value and which have not been sold after 12 months could be built out by the developer.</u> <u>In determining the appropriate level and type of self-build and custom build the council will have regard to evidence of need, the nature of the development and the viability of the development.</u> <u>Schemes solely for flats or apartments will not be expected to make any provision towards self-build or custom build plots.</u></p>	As discussed at the examination hearings to add increased flexibility and clarity. Modification agreed with respondent Rep ID 94.	<p>Minor changes to provide further clarification. They do not affect the findings of the SA.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>
MM9	Policy H 5	<p>Amend Policy H5 to read:</p> <p>Policy H 5 Self-build and Custom Housebuilding</p> <p>On sites of 50 or more dwellings or 1.4ha or more site area, <u>the local planning authority will seek the provision of 5% of the plots should to be made available for sale as serviced building plots as self-build or custom build plots.</u> <u>The provision will take account of:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>evidence of local need;</u> • <u>the nature of the development proposed; and</u> • <u>the viability of the development.</u> 	As discussed at the examination hearings to add increased flexibility and clarity. Modification agreed with respondent Rep ID 94	Proposed changes provide further clarification and flexibility. This is likely to have positive effects on housing.

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		<u>Serviced building plots which have been appropriately marketed at a prevailing market value and which have not been sold after 12 months can be built out by the developer.</u>		
MM10	Policy TC8	<p>After Paragraph 9.6.1.4 add new paragraph to read:</p> <p><u>There is an existing sewer in Anglian Water's ownership within the boundary of the site and the site layout should be designed to take these into account. This existing infrastructure is protected by easements and should not be built over or located in private gardens where access for maintenance and repair could be restricted. The existing sewer should be located in highways or public open space. If this is not possible a formal application to divert Anglian Water's existing assets may be required.'</u></p> <p>Add new criterion to Policy TC 8:</p> <p><u>C. the safeguarding of suitable access for the maintenance of foul drainage infrastructure.</u></p>	<p>To provide clarity in response to Rep ID 12 – see CON 8 page145</p>	<p>Changes provide clarity in terms of potential constraints on site and the need to ensure suitable access for maintenance.</p> <p>This is beneficial with regards to water quality, but does not change the overall findings of the SA.</p> <p>Therefore, there is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>
MM11	Policy TC9	<p>After Paragraph 9.6.2.3 add new paragraph to read:</p> <p><u>There is an existing sewer and water main in Anglian Water's ownership within the boundary of the site and the site layout should be designed to take these into account. This existing infrastructure is protected by easements and should not be built over or located in private gardens where access for maintenance and repair could be restricted. The existing sewer should be located in highways or public open space. If this is not possible a formal application to divert Anglian Water's existing assets may be required.</u></p> <p>Add new criterion to Policy TC 9:</p> <p><u>D. the safeguarding of suitable access for the maintenance of water supply and foul drainage infrastructure.</u></p>	<p>To provide clarity in response to Rep ID 13 – see CON 8 page 147</p>	<p>As above.</p>

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MM12	Policy TC10	<p>After Paragraph 9.6.3.3 add new paragraph to read:</p> <p><u>There is an existing sewer and water main in Anglian Water's ownership within the boundary of the site and the site layout should be designed to take these into account. This existing infrastructure is protected by easements and should not be built over or located in private gardens where access for maintenance and repair could be restricted. The existing sewer should be located in highways or public open space. If this is not possible a formal application to divert Anglian Water's existing assets may be required.</u></p> <p>Add new criterion to Policy TC 10:</p> <p><u>C. the safeguarding of suitable access for the maintenance of water supply and foul drainage infrastructure.</u></p>	<p>To provide clarity in response to Rep ID 14 – see CON 8 page 149</p>	As above.
MM13	Policy Site 1	<p>Amend Policy Site 1 (Wellingborough East) to read:</p> <p>Proposals within Wellingborough East, as identified on the Policies Map, the approved Masterplan identifies a range of land uses, open space and transport routes and their relationship both to each other and to the existing development in the vicinity of the site. The Masterplan also ensures potential future options of expanding further to the east beyond the plan period can be accommodated if necessary. Proposals should accord with the following development principles, which are based on the approved Masterplan:</p> <p>A. A comprehensively planned and developed site with individual developments making proportionate contributions to the infrastructural requirements of the scheme as a whole. The area should be masterplanned to ensure potential future options of expanding further to the east beyond the plan period can be accommodated if necessary. Development proposals should also ensure that the Sustainable Urban Extension is successfully integrated with the wider urban area and that proposals are compatible with existing uses.</p> <p>B. <u>Development proposals should ensure that the Sustainable Urban Extension is successfully integrated with the wider urban area and that proposals are compatible with existing uses.</u></p> <p>BC. A mixture of housing types, sizes and tenures including specialist housing to meet the needs of older persons, accessible housing, starter homes and self-build.</p>	<p>Amendments following discussion at the hearings to link the policy to the approved masterplan and to improve clarity.</p> <p>Amendment to criterion C to provide clarity in response to Rep ID 89 – see CON 8 page 160 and the council's hearing statement to Matter 5.</p>	<p>The proposed changes enhance links to the approved masterplan and provide further clarity.</p> <p>The policy is also stronger with regards to amenity concerns.</p>

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- CD. A significant contribution to the provision of new jobs in the borough. The areas north and south of Finedon Road and Irthingborough Road should be developed for employment uses. High quality employment uses including offices ~~should be provided~~ will be supported in the Station Island Area between the railway and the River Ise and rail related uses should be provided alongside Neilson's Sidings.
- DE. Principal access should be via a new bridge from Midland Road over the railway (Route 4); from the A45 at Turnells Mill Lane via The Embankment (Route 2); from Northen Way (Route 6) and from the A45 at Ditchford Road (Route 7).
- EF. Safe and convenient access provided for all modes of transport between all parts of the site, the existing town and the wider transport network. There should be reduced reliance on the car and an enhanced cycle network to the wider countryside and facilities such as Rushden Lakes.
- FG. A significant multi-functional green space network, retaining where possible existing landscape features. Green Infrastructure corridors should be provided throughout the development which link to the existing sub-regional and local green infrastructure corridors. The River Ise should be the focus of a linear park which provides a multi-functional recreation and wildlife space.
- GH. A multi-modal interchange should be provided at the railway station which provides an expanded railway station, new bus routes and cycling facilities that offer the potential for seamless connections between different modes of transport. All proposals in this location should preserve and enhance the character and setting of the listed railway station.
- HJ. Provision of a site for a new secondary school, with the option for co-located community/sports facilities, together with proportionate monetary contributions towards secondary education.
- IJ. Primary schools to serve the development co-located with pre-school and nursery provision in neighbourhood centres.
- JK. A principal neighbourhood centre to be the focus of the new community at the point where the new east-west link and north-south avenues cross. It should provide a high quality public space with a mix of community, commercial and residential uses.
- KL. A net gain in biodiversity, through improved long term management of existing habitats and new habitat creation. This will be most appropriately achieved through wet grassland and river restoration associated with the Rivers Nene and Ise. Proposals must ensure that there is no adverse impact either alone or in combination on the Upper Nene Valley Gravel Pits Special Protection Area and Ramsar site. Mitigation may involve providing alternative accessible greenspace within the development and access and visitor

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		management measures within the SPA. <u>M. There shall be no harmful impact on the living conditions of both existing and proposed residential occupiers.</u>		
MM14	Policy Site 2	<p>Amend Policy Site 2 (Wellingborough North) to read:</p> <p>Proposals wWithin Wellingborough North, as identified on the Policies Map, <u>the approved Masterplan identifies a range of land uses, open space and transport routes and their relationship both to each other and to the existing development in the vicinity of the site. Proposals should accord with the following development principles, which are based on the approved Masterplan:</u></p> <p>A. A comprehensively planned and developed site with individual developments making proportionate contributions to the infrastructural requirements of the scheme as a whole. Development proposals should also ensure that the Sustainable Urban Extension is successfully integrated with the wider urban area and that proposals are compatible with existing uses.</p> <p><u>B. Development proposals should ensure that the Sustainable Urban Extension is successfully integrated with the wider urban area and that proposals are compatible with existing uses.</u></p> <p>BC. A significant landscape buffer is provided between the development and Great Harrowden to ensure the separate character and setting of the village is maintained. Built development should not extend beyond the ridgeline.</p> <p>CD. <u>The residential amenity of residents in Redhill Grange is protected. There shall be no harmful impact on the living conditions of both existing and proposed residential occupiers, including those in Redhill Grange.</u></p> <p>DE. A mixture of housing types, sizes and tenures including specialist housing to meet the needs of older persons, accessible housing, starter homes and self-build.</p> <p>EE. A significant contribution to the provision of new jobs in the borough including an extension to the Park Farm Industrial Estate.</p> <p>FG. Safe and convenient access provided for all modes of transport between all parts of the site, the existing town and the wider transport network. There should be reduced reliance on the car and an enhanced cycle network to the wider countryside.</p> <p>GH. A significant multi-functional green space network, retaining where possible existing landscape features. Green Infrastructure corridors should be provided throughout the</p>	Amendments following discussion at the hearings to link the policy to the approved masterplan and to improve clarity.	<p>The proposed changes enhance links to the approved masterplan and provide further clarity.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>

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		<p>development which link to the existing sub-regional and local green infrastructure corridors. The principal corridors should be along the Harrowden Brook and the ridgeline.</p> <p>HJ. Primary schools to serve the development co-located with pre-school and nursery provision in neighbourhood centres.</p> <p>IJ. A net gain in biodiversity, through improved long term management of existing habitats and new habitat creation. This will be most appropriately achieved through neutral grassland, wetland/meadow habitats associated with SUDs and increased woodland planting.</p> <p>K. <u>Principal access should be via Niort Way and Northen Way</u></p>		
MM15	Policy Site 3	<p>After paragraph 10.2.4 of the plan add a new paragraph to read:</p> <p><u>There is an existing sewer and water main in Anglian Water's ownership within the boundary of the site. This existing infrastructure is protected by easements and should not be built over or located in private gardens where access for maintenance and repair could be restricted. The existing sewer should be located in highways or public open space. If this is not possible a formal application to divert Anglian Water's existing assets may be required.</u></p> <p>Add a new criterion to Policy Site 3:</p> <p><u>G. the safeguarding of suitable access for the maintenance of water supply and foul drainage infrastructure.</u></p>	<p>To provide clarity in response to Rep ID 18 – see CON 8 page 170 and the council's hearing statement to Matter 5</p>	<p>Changes provide clarity in terms of potential constraints on site.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>
MM16	Policy Site 4	<p>After paragraph 10.3.4 of the plan add a new paragraph to read:</p> <p><u>There is an existing sewer and water main in Anglian Water's ownership within the boundary of the site and the site layout should be designed to take these into account. This existing infrastructure is protected by easements and should not be built over or located in private gardens where access for maintenance and repair could be restricted. The existing sewer should be located in highways or public open space. If this is not possible a formal application to divert Anglian Water's existing assets may be required.</u></p> <p>Add new criterion to Policy Site 4:</p> <p><u>E. the safeguarding of suitable access for the maintenance of water supply and foul drainage infrastructure.</u></p>	<p>To provide clarity in response to Rep ID 19 – see CON 8 page 174 and the council's hearing statement to Matter 5</p>	<p>Policy adds detail with regards to access for water infrastructure.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>
MM17	Policy Site 5	<p>After paragraph 10.4.6 of the plan add a new paragraph to read:</p>	<p>To provide clarity in</p>	<p>Policy adds detail with</p>

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		<p><u>There is an existing sewer in Anglian Water's ownership within the boundary of the site and the site layout should be designed to take these into account. This existing infrastructure is protected by easements and should not be built over or located in private gardens where access for maintenance and repair could be restricted. The existing sewer should be located in highways or public open space. If this is not possible a formal application to divert Anglian Water's existing assets may be required.</u></p> <p>Add new criterion to Policy Site 5:</p> <p><u>F. the safeguarding of suitable access for the maintenance of foul drainage infrastructure.</u></p>	<p>response to Rep ID 20 – see CON 8 page 175 and the council's hearing statement to Matter 5</p>	<p>regards to access for water infrastructure.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>
MM18	Policy Site 6	<p>After paragraph 10.5.6 of the plan add a new paragraph to read:</p> <p><u>There is an existing sewer in Anglian Water's ownership within the boundary of the site and the site layout should be designed to take these into account. This existing infrastructure is protected by easements and should not be built over or located in private gardens where access for maintenance and repair could be restricted. The existing sewer should be located in highways or public open space. If this is not possible a formal application to divert Anglian Water's existing assets may be required.</u></p> <p>Add a new criterion to Policy Site 6:</p> <p><u>D. the safeguarding of suitable access for the maintenance of foul drainage infrastructure.</u></p>	<p>To provide clarity in response to Rep ID 21 – see CON 8 page 177 and the council's hearing statement to Matter 5</p>	<p>Policy adds detail with regards to access for water infrastructure.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>
MM19	Section 10.6, Policy Site 6	<p>Add to the end of paragraph 10.6.4:</p> <p><u>The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment states that flooding has been experienced on the site or within close proximity due to blockage of a culvert. This may be a maintenance issue, but will require a detailed assessment by the landowner.</u></p>	<p>To provide clarity in response to Rep ID 5 – see CON 8 page 150</p>	<p>Flood risk was a consideration through the site assessment process and the issues relating to the blocked culvert can be addressed at the project/development control stage.</p>

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MM20	Policy Site 7	<p>After paragraph 10.6.4 of the plan add a new paragraph to read:</p> <p><u>There is an existing sewer in Anglian Water's ownership within the boundary of the site and the site layout should be designed to take these into account. This existing infrastructure is protected by easements and should not be built over or located in private gardens where access for maintenance and repair could be restricted. The existing sewer should be located in highways or public open space. If this is not possible a formal application to divert Anglian Water's existing assets may be required.</u></p> <p>Add a new criterion to Policy Site 7:</p> <p><u>D. the safeguarding of suitable access for the maintenance of foul drainage infrastructure.</u></p>	<p>To provide clarity in response to Rep ID 22 – see CON 8 page 182 and the council's hearing statement to Matter 5</p>	<p>Policy adds detail with regards to access for water infrastructure.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>
MM21	Policy Site 8	<p>After paragraph 10.7.2 of the plan add a new paragraph to read:</p> <p><u>There is an existing water main in Anglian Water's ownership within the boundary of the site and the site layout should be designed to take these into account. This existing infrastructure is protected by easements and should not be built over or located in private gardens where access for maintenance and repair could be restricted. The existing sewer should be located in highways or public open space. If this is not possible a formal application to divert Anglian Water's existing assets may be required.</u></p> <p>Add a new criterion to Policy Site 8:</p> <p><u>E. the safeguarding of suitable access for the maintenance of water supply infrastructure.</u></p>	<p>To provide clarity in response to Rep ID 23 – see CON 8 page 183 and the council's hearing statement to Matter 5</p>	<p>Policy adds detail with regards to access for water infrastructure.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>
MM22	Policy Site 9	<p>Add a new final paragraph to Policy Site 9 as follows:</p> <p><u>The council will seek to resist development within the immediate vicinity of the aerodrome, if such development would prejudice aviation use on the site.</u></p>	<p>To strengthen protection of the aerodrome as set out in CON 9 paragraph 4.91 and the council's response to Matter 5.</p>	<p>The policy already states that development will only be supported if there is no conflict with the function of the area. Proposed change helps to further protect the current use of the</p>

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				aerodrome but will not affect SA findings.
MM23	Para 12.0.1	<p>Amend paragraph 12.0.1 to read:</p> <p>It will be necessary to monitor policies within the local plan to determine the extent to which they are, or <u>are</u> not, working. This is an important process to gauge whether part, or all, of the local plan will need to be reviewed in future. <u>The monitoring framework in the PBW should not be read in isolation and it will operate alongside the monitoring framework in Table 9 of the JCS.</u></p>	Additional text suggested following discussion at the hearings to clarify that the local plan monitoring framework includes the indicators in the Part 1 and Part 2 plan.	Clarification to supporting text does not affect the findings of the SA. There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.
MM24	Para 12.0.2	<p>Amend paragraph 12.0.2 to read:</p> <p>Within the JCS, Table 9 a framework has been established a framework <u>of indicators</u> to monitor the implementation and impact of local planning policy and change, which will be reported through the <u>North Northamptonshire Authorities' Monitoring Report (AMRs)</u>. The overarching monitoring framework in the JCS broadly forms the basis for monitoring the policies of the local plan. However, given the strategic nature of the JCS, it has been necessary to identify some more localised <u>non-strategic</u> indicators specific to Wellingborough <u>and the policies in this plan</u> which will require monitoring going forward. The intention is that any such indicators <u>in both the JCS and in the PBW</u> will be monitored by the planning policy team <u>at borough level</u> and fed into <u>included in</u> subsequent AMRs to highlight plan implementation <u>at both the local authority and North Northamptonshire levels.</u></p>	Additional text suggested following discussion at the hearings to clarify that the local plan monitoring framework includes the indicators in the Part 1 and Part 2 plan and that whilst the data is collected at borough level these will both be reported in the North Northants AMR.	<p>Clarifications to supporting text that do not affect the findings of the SA.</p> <p>There is no need to consider this change in greater detail through further SA work.</p>

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MM25 Appendix A. Housing Land Supply

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF WELLINGBOROUGH: BREAKDOWN OF HOUSING LAND SUPPLY 2011-31																					
SOURCE OF HOUSING SUPPLY	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	Total
FAST COMPLETIONS	122	116	255	384	380	247															1,504
WELLINGBOROUGH (GROWTH TOWN) - COMMITMENTS							179	160	168	104	108	70	70	50	50	100	50	50	50	50	1,259
WELLINGBOROUGH EASTSUE - ESTIMATED COMPLETIONS							0	29	170	227	303	304	325	320	275	310	300	295	295	305	3,455
WELLINGBOROUGH NORTHSUE - ESTIMATED COMPLETIONS							0	0	50	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	15				1,765
WELLINGBOROUGH (GROWTH TOWN) - EMERGING PART 2 LOCAL PLAN ALLOCATIONS							0	96	25	30	30	34	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	221
WELLINGBOROUGH (GROWTH TOWN) - UNALLOCATED SITES WITH POTENTIAL							0	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
EARLS BARTON - LARGER VILLAGE COMMITMENTS							124	57	71	54	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	358
FINEDON - LARGER VILLAGE COMMITMENTS							18	6	32	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	81
FINEDON - LARGER VILLAGE - EMERGING PART 2 LOCAL PLAN ALLOCATIONS											30	30									60
ROCHESTER - LARGER VILLAGE COMMITMENTS							8	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
ROCHESTER - LARGER VILLAGE - EMERGING NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ALLOCATIONS											30	30	30	30	30	30					150
WOLLASTON (LARGER VILLAGE) - COMMITMENTS							3	41	46	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	92
RURAL COMMITMENTS							16	68	48	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	172
MINIFALL ESTIMATE											48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	528
LAFSE RATE							-11	-7	-6												-30
TOTALS	122	116	255	384	380	247	337	476	605	728	850	762	733	698	653	708	413	393	393	403	8,656
CUMULATIVE TOTALS	122	238	493	877	1,257	1,504	1,841	2,317	2,922	3,650	4,500	5,262	5,995	6,693	7,346	8,054	8,467	8,860	9,253	9,656	
ANNUALISED HOUSING REQUIREMENT	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	7,000
CUMULATIVE HOUSING REQUIREMENT	350	700	1,050	1,400	1,750	2,100	2,450	2,800	3,150	3,500	3,850	4,200	4,550	4,900	5,250	5,600	5,950	6,300	6,650	7,000	
MONITOR	-228	-462	-557	-523	-493	-596	-609	-483	-228	150	650	1,062	1,445	1,793	2,096	2,454	2,517	2,560	2,603	2,656	
MANAGE	350	362	376	383	383	383	393	397	390	371	335	278	217	144	51	-69	-264	-489	-930	-2,253	

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	Total
ESTIMATED COMPLETIONS - WELLINGBOROUGH EASTSUE								29	170	227	303	304	323	320	275	310	300	295	295	305	3,455
ESTIMATED COMPLETIONS - WELLINGBOROUGH NORTHSUE								0	50	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	15				1,765
SUE TOTALS								29	220	477	553	554	573	570	525	560	315	295	295	305	5,220

COMMITMENTS : Commitments and Allotments.
 SUE ESTIMATED COMPLETIONS: includes additional capacity

Proposed changes made to reflect the latest evidence. The changes will see anticipated housing delivery rise from 9279 to 9656 in the Plan period. This is not related to any new site allocations though, but reflects a higher/faster rate of delivery at the WEAST SUE towards the end of the Plan period.

The implications should be explored further through the SA process.

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Ref Local Plan Policy/Para Modification proposed Reason SA Screening



