

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Position Statement on 'Strategic' Policies: Castor Neighbourhood Area

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1 Relevant legislation

Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as inserted by Schedule 10 of the Localism Act 2011), details the basic conditions that neighbourhood development plans must meet. One of the basic conditions is that the making of the neighbourhood development plan "is in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan for the area of the authority (or any part of that area)" (para 8(2)).

2 Peterborough Local Plan

The Peterborough Local Plan currently consists of:

- **Peterborough Core Strategy Development Plan Document (DPD)** *Adopted 23 February 2011*
- **Peterborough Site Allocations DPD** *Adopted 18 April 2012*
- **Peterborough Planning Policies DPD** *Adopted 5 December 2012*
- **Peterborough City Centre DPD** *Adopted 17 December 2014*
- **Peterborough Policies Map DPD** *Adopted 5 December 2012*
- **Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Core Strategy DPD** *Adopted 19 July 2011*
- **Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Site Specific Proposals DPD** *Adopted 22 February 2012*

3 Strategic Policies

Peterborough City Council considers that all of the Peterborough Local Plan policies are 'strategic'. However, it is noted that some of the Local Plan policies are not applicable to the Castor Neighbourhood Area (see Table 1 below). Furthermore there are some policies that we consider are of particular relevance to the Castor Neighbourhood Area and that we would therefore expect to be given particular consideration in the preparation of a neighbourhood development plan for Castor (see Table 2 below).

Table 1: Policies not applicable to the Castor Neighbourhood Area

Local Plan DPD	Policy/ies	Reason/s not applicable
Core Strategy DPD (2011)	CS4 The City Centre	This policy applies to the city centre.
Core Strategy DPD (2011)	CS5 Urban Extensions	Policy relates to urban extensions and includes specific criteria in relation to the Great Haddon and Norwood extensions.
Core Strategy DPD (2011)	CS7 Regional Freight Interchange	Applies to land north-east of Stanground.
Site Allocations DPD (2012)	SA1 Urban Extensions; SA2, District Centres; SA3 Urban Area; SA5 Key Service Centres; SA7 Gypsy and Traveller Transit Pitches; SA9 Urban Extensions-Employment Land; SA10 Regional Freight Interchange; SA11 General Employment Areas and Business Parks; SA12 Red Brick Farm; SA13 Employment Sites Within and Adjoining the Urban Area; SA14 Rural Employment Sites; SA15 Safeguarded Land for Future Key Infrastructure; SA16 Hampton Country Park; SA17 Green Wedges; SA18 East of England Show Ground; SA19 Special Character Areas.	Policies relevant to specific sites, designations etc.
City Centre DPD (2014)	All	These policies apply to the city centre.

Table 2: Policies of particular relevance to the Castor Neighbourhood Area

(**Important note-** the table below lists only the policies which may be of *particular* relevance: other policies that are not listed may also be relevant, depending in the content of the neighbourhood development plan.)

Local Plan DPD	Policy/ies	Reason/s for particular relevance
Core Strategy DPD (2011)	CS1 The Settlement Hierarchy and the Countryside	Castor classed as a 'limited growth village'. Restrictions to development in the countryside.
Core Strategy DPD (2011)	CS8 Meeting Housing Needs	Policy on housing need: policy encourages proposals which provide mix of housing types and sizes, and outlines affordable housing requirements.
Core Strategy DPD (2011)	CS17 The Historic Environment	Policy regarding the protection, conservation and enhancement of the historic environment.
Core Strategy DPD (2011)	CS20 Landscape Character	Applicable to development in and adjoining the countryside.
Site Allocations DPD (2012)	SA4 Village Envelopes	Defines what is classed as 'countryside'. Relates to Core Strategy policy CS1.
Site Allocations DPD (2012)	SA6 Limited Growth Villages	Allocates site SA6.8 (Clay Lane) for approximately 25 dwellings.
Planning Policies DPD (2012)	PP17 Heritage Assets	Castor Neighbourhood Area includes a conservation area, scheduled monument, etc.
Peterborough Policies Map DPD (2012)	Inset 7	Inset of Castor village.