



Draft Allocations Plan Integrated Assessment

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1. Introduction

Purpose of this report

- 1.1 This report outlines the methodology, process and results of the first Integrated Assessment (IA) of the draft Rochdale Allocations Plan, including the Sustainability Appraisal, the Health Impact Assessment and the Equalities Impact Assessment. It includes conclusions and recommendations resulting from these assessments.

The Allocations Plan

- 1.2 The adoption of the Core Strategy was the first key phase of replacing the Council's Unitary Development Plan (UDP) with a 'new style' Local Plan. Whilst the Core Strategy sets out the scale and broad location of new development in the borough required to meet needs up to 2028, and sets out general policies relating to the development, protection and use of land, it does not include any specific allocations. The second phase of the Local Plan is the production of an Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD); this document will set out how the scale of development outlined in the Core Strategy will be delivered through specific allocations for housing, employment and any other identified needs. As well as allocations to deliver growth, it will also set out designations and zones relating to particular land uses for example key open spaces and opportunities for flood risk management. Hereafter in this document the Allocations DPD will be referred to simply as 'the Plan'.
- 1.3 There are several key stages in the production of the Plan, as follows:
- Evidence gathering
 - 'Call For Sites'
 - Draft document
 - Publication and submission
 - Examination in public
 - Adoption

The evidence gathering and call for sites has taken place, and a draft Plan has been produced.

- 1.4 The Integrated Assessment is a vital element of the development of the Plan, allowing for changes to be made through the preparation process to ensure that the final document contributes to sustainability objectives to the maximum possible extent. The Integrated Assessment combines Strategic Environmental Assessment, Sustainability Appraisal, Equality Impact Assessment and Health Impact Assessment in order to provide a co-ordinated and thorough assessment of possible impacts of the draft Plan and how they might be addressed.

Components of the Integrated Assessment

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Sustainability Appraisal (SA)

- 1.5 The European Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Directive 2001/42/EC was a European Directive in the field of environmental protection, requiring the evaluation of any plans or programmes which may have environmental impacts. An 'environmental report' is required, in which the likely significant environmental effects of the Plan, and any reasonable alternatives taking into account the objectives and geographical scope of the plan, are identified, described and evaluated.
- 1.6 In the UK, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 introduced the requirement for Sustainability Appraisal (SA) of plans, including Development Plan Documents (DPDs) and Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs). SA is an appraisal of the environmental, economic and social impacts of a plan; it allows planning authorities and others to assess draft plans against a number of sustainability 'objectives' and thus determine whether they could be improved in terms of sustainability. SA essentially incorporates the requirements of the SEA Directive, including the stages required to undertake an SEA.

Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA)

- 1.7 This is a process, appertaining to the Equality Act 2010, designed to ensure that plans, policies and strategies do not have an adverse impact on a particular group of people due to their:
- Age;
 - Disability;
 - Gender reassignment;
 - Marriage and civil partnership;
 - Pregnancy and maternity;
 - Race;
 - Religion or belief;
 - Sex;
 - Sexual orientation.
- 1.8 The process will identify any unintended impacts that may have a detrimental effect on individuals and communities. In addition, the EqIA will consider if there will be any potential positive impacts of the Plan and ways in which the Plan will actively promote equality or good community relations.
- 1.9 EqIA is a two stage process:
- Stage 1: Screening. This involves assessing impacts of the Plan upon the protected characteristics. If no negative impacts are identified as a result of the screening process then no further assessment will be required. However, if negative impacts are identified, then a full EqIA should be undertaken.

- Stage 2: Full EqIA (if required). This is a more in-depth analysis of the impacts of the Plan, and any recommended mitigation measures.

1.10 The screening assessment has been undertaken and is presented as an appendix to this report (Appendix 1).

Health Impact Assessment (HIA)

1.11 There is no statutory requirement to undertake an HIA, however it is considered that undertaking one will add value and depth to the assessment process. The purpose will be to ensure that the Plan maximises positive health impacts and minimises negative ones.

1.12 A screening process has taken place, using Department of Health screening questions and determinants of health to decide whether or not a fuller assessment was required. This can be found in Chapter 10 of this report.

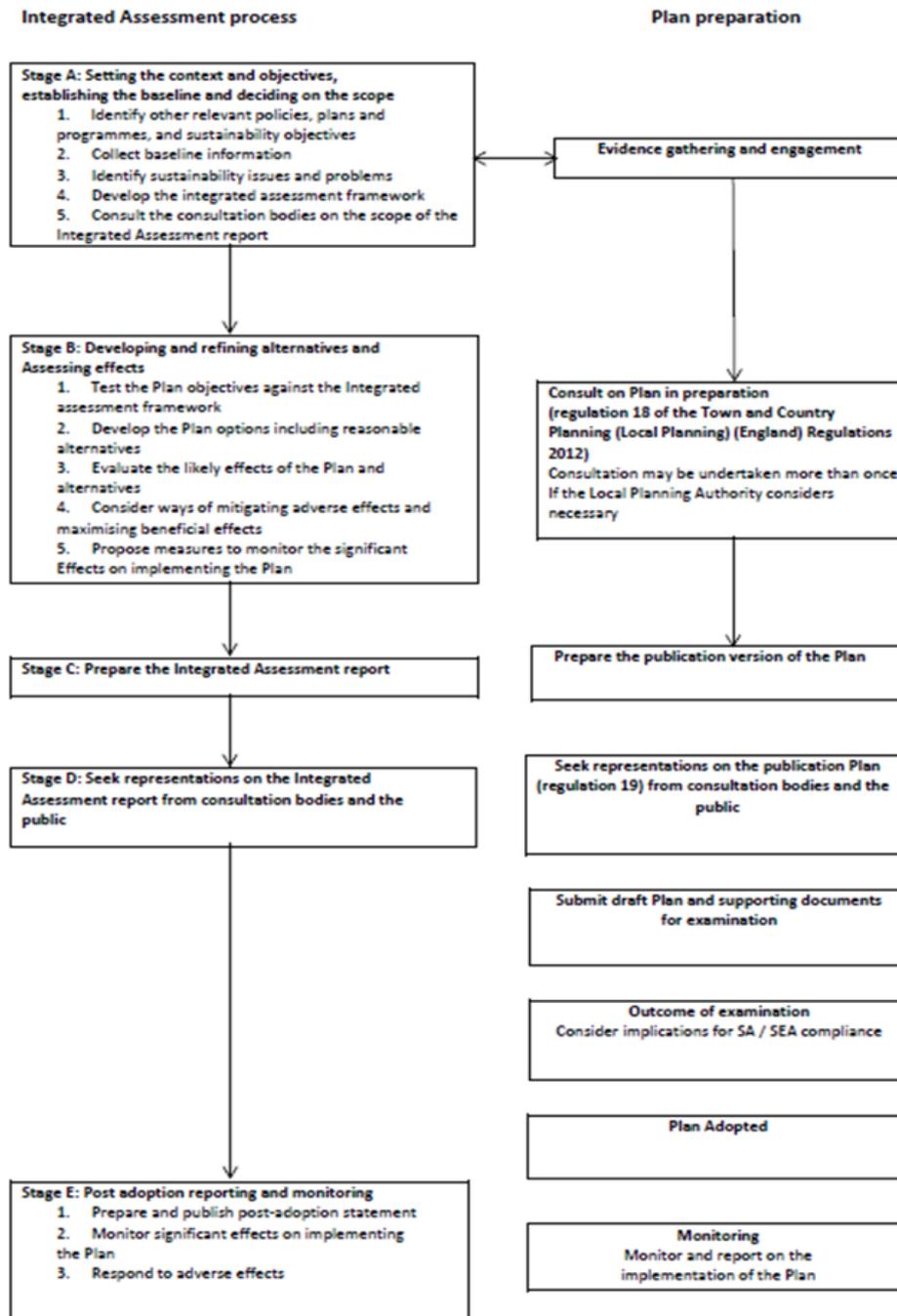
Stages of the Integrated Assessment process

- 1.13 The following stages are based on the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) best practice guidance in respect of SEA and Planning Practice Guidance on SEA and SA, updated in 2015. They are derived from the requirements of the SEA Directive. These stages can be transferred to the IA process as a whole.

Stage A: Setting the context and objectives, establishing the baseline and deciding on the scope (The Scoping Report)
Task A1: Identifying and reviewing other relevant plans, policies and programmes
Task A2: Collecting baseline information
Task A3: Identifying key sustainability issues for the Plan and IA
Task A4: Developing the IA framework including set of objectives
Task A5: Consulting on the scope of the IA
Stage B: Developing and refining options and assessing effects
Task B1: Testing the Plan objectives against the IA framework
Task B2: Developing the Plan options including reasonable alternatives
Task B3: Evaluating the effects of the Plan
Task B4: Considering ways of mitigating adverse effects and maximising beneficial effects
Task B5: Proposing measures to monitor the significant effects of implementing the Plan
Stage C: Preparing the Integrated Assessment Report
Task C1: Preparing the IA report
Stage D: Consulting on the IA report
Task D1: Seek representations on the sustainability appraisal report from consultation bodies and the public
Stage E: Post adoption reporting and monitoring
Task E1: Prepare and publish post-adoption statement
Task E2: Monitor significant effects of implementing the Local Plan
Task E3: Respond to adverse effects

1.14 Figure 1 below shows how the various IA stages relate to the Plan preparation stages.

Figure 1: Relationship between the Integrated Assessment and the Plan stages (derived from Planning Practice Guidance, Feb 2015)



1.15 Stage A of the IA process (see above) was set out in the scoping report, published in October 2017; this process is summarised in Chapter 2 below. Stage B (Developing and refining alternatives and assessing effects) is outlined in this report, consisting of the SA, the EqIA and the HIA. Stage C is the preparation of this report. For Stage D, this report will be subject to public consultation alongside the draft Plan (see below). Stage E will be an ongoing process once the Plan has been adopted.

2 The Scoping Report and IA Framework

- 2.1 A review of all relevant plans, policies and programmes was undertaken (Task A1 – see 1.13), to identify what objectives and issues the Plan should have regard to and to ensure that key themes are carried through into the assessment process; this included international, national and local policies, regulations and strategies relating to environmental, social and economic objectives.
- 2.2 Following this, all relevant baseline information was collected (Task A2): this included the geography, history and demographics of the borough, economic factors such as employment and income levels, housing market characteristics and deficiencies, health information, biodiversity statistics, heritage assessments and transport statistics. The purpose of collecting this data was to help identify sustainability issues and problems of particular relevance to the Plan area.
- 2.3 Once a range of key sustainability issues had been identified, corresponding aims were identified as well as ways in which the Plan might be able to address the issues / problems. (Task A3).
- 2.4 From the identification of key objectives from other plans and programmes, and the identification of key issues which could be influenced by the Plan, it was possible to draw up a set of sustainability objectives (Task A4) which constitute the IA Framework against which the allocations and policies in the draft Plan could be assessed. These objectives were phrased as questions, i.e. ‘Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?’ Thus: documents such as the Greater Manchester Transport Strategy and the local Core Strategy put emphasis on sustainable transport, and the issue of the need to widen travel choice and enhance sustainable accessibility has been identified – hence the development of this particular objective.
- 2.5 Once the IA Framework had been developed, consultation took place (Task A5) on the scoping process, in particular the plans and programmes and baseline information referred to, the identification of issues and the objectives. The statutory bodies identified in the SEA regulations – Natural England, Historic England and the Environment Agency – were consulted.
- 2.6 Replies were received from Natural England and Historic England. These comments included requests for more plans and baseline information to be referred to, greater reference to the historic environment, more information about methodology, and suggested enhanced wording for sustainability objectives. Following a review of the scoping report a second consultation took place, and this generated a second response from Historic England which encouraged an approach based on that taken by Salford which involved an agreed methodology for site screening. A site screening exercise in line with the approach suggested by Historic England has now been undertaken by Greater Manchester Archaeological Unit to inform the SA, and this screening is summarised in Appendix 2 of this report.

The IA Framework

2.7 The IA Framework provides a way in which effects can be assessed in a consistent manner for the purposes of the SA and the HIA. It takes the form of a series of questions developed from the key sustainability issues which have been identified and analysed in Tasks A1-A3 above. They are grouped under headings corresponding with the priorities outlined in Rochdale’s Community Strategy (People, Place and Prosperity), which also correspond to the social, environmental and economic threads of the concept of sustainability. These questions represent specific aims that the Plan should strive to achieve, and for the purposes of the IA they form the ‘sustainability objectives’.

Figure 2: The IA Framework

Priority	Objective	Indicators
1. People	1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	Overcrowding and under-occupation by house type
		Any discrepancies in housing need between different sectors of the community
		Property affordability
		Percentage of residential completions within certain distances of key services / facilities
	1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	Overcrowding and under-occupation by house type
		Access to open spaces
		Economically active population Incomes
	1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	Types, locations and sizes of new residential properties
		The right houses in the right places
	1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	Quality of open spaces and proximity to residential areas
		Quality and location of formal sports facilities
		Amount of new residential development within 30 minutes public transport time of a GP and a hospital
	1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	Quality of open spaces and proximity to residential areas
Quality and location of formal sports facilities		
1F: Will the Plan further reduce crime and the fear of crime?	% of residents who feel that the Borough is a safe place to live	
	Domestic burglaries per 1000 population	
2. Place	2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	Percentage of residential completions within 30 minutes of a range of services, travelling on foot / public transport
		Number of heritage assets at risk
		Quality and location of open spaces
	2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	

	2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	Percentage of residential completions within convenient and safe walking distance of quality open space
		Quality and location of open spaces
		The right houses in the right places
	2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is reduced?	Amount of new development in areas of high flood risk
		Creation of flood storage areas
	2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	Percentage of residential development completions within 30 minutes of arrange of services travelling by public transport
		On-road cycle trip levels
		Rail and Metrolink patronage
	2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	Percentage of people travelling to work by car, public transport and foot / bicycle
		On-road cycle trip levels
		Rail and Metrolink patronage
	2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	Percentage of people travelling to work by car, public transport and foot / bicycle
		Rail and Metrolink patronage
	2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	Allocations which do not impact adversely on biodiversity, in particular protected sites, priority species, habitats and ecological networks
		Woodland cover
Change in areas and populations of biodiversity importance		
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	Number of listed buildings at risk (Grade 2 and grade 2*), number of Conservation Areas with appraisal, number of Conservation Areas designated, number of Conservation Statements for Listed Buildings	
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?		
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	Loss of greenfield land	
	Loss of agricultural land	
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	Renewable energy developments	
	Development accessible by sustainable and public transport	
	Protection of borough's peatlands	
	Protection of open spaces and water bodies	

3. Prosperity	3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	Proportion of B1, B2 and B8 uses
		Creation of 21 st century employment sites suitable for the needs of modern businesses
		Improvement in skills base
	3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	Number of employment opportunities supported by tourism
		Tourist expenditure
		Employment rate
	3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	Town centre health checks
		Economically active population
	3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	Employment rate
		Creation of 21 st century employment sites suitable for the needs of modern businesses
	3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	Improvement in skills base

3 The Sustainability Appraisal (SA)

Methodology

- 3.1 The Sustainability Appraisal used the IA Framework to assess all of the policies and site allocations contained within the draft Plan. It consisted of a panel meeting lasting one day.
- 3.2 The Panel consisted of representatives of the following:
 - Rochdale MBC – Strategic Planning
 - The Greater Manchester Ecology Unit (GMEU)
 - Groundwork Bolton, Bury, Oldham and Rochdale
 - Rochdale MBC – Business and Enterprise
 - Rochdale MBC – Skills and Employment
 - Greater Manchester Archaeological Unit (this was a separate meeting – site screening carried out and summarised in Appendix 2)
- 3.3 The purpose was to assess all of the policies and allocated sites in the draft Plan against the IA Framework, addressing Stage B of the process. The HIA was also addressed as part of this process.
- 3.4 In order to carry out a thorough assessment, including looking at options and time scales of impacts, the table shown in figure 3 below was used for each policy / site. This assesses the short (0-4 years), medium (5-9 years) and long term (10+ years) impacts, whether they are direct or indirect, temporary or permanent, and gives additional comments and any proposed mitigation measures.
- 3.5 Predicted impacts were indicated as being either strongly positive, positive, neutral, negative or strongly negative. In addition, it was possible to indicate if the impacts were unknown or if the particular objective was not applicable. This terminology focuses on effects, consistent with the terminology used in the SEA Directive.
- 3.6 Summary tables showing the results of the assessments are included in this section; the predicted impacts are colour coded in these tables to make it easier to see where there are ‘clusters’ of positive or negative impacts. For example, if positive or negative impacts are weighted towards social, environmental or economic considerations this can be seen.
- 3.7 Sustainability Appraisal places specific emphasis on the consideration of reasonable alternatives. Planning Practice Guidance defines ‘reasonable alternatives’ as “different realistic options considered by the plan-maker in developing the policies in its plan. They must be sufficiently distinct to highlight the different sustainability implications of each so that meaningful comparisons can be made. The alternatives must be realistic and deliverable.” For the individual policies, the main alternative assessed was ‘without policy’.
- 3.8 Where the assessment identified significant adverse effects, mitigation measures were suggested wherever possible, such as changes to policy wording or restrictions applied to particular sites.

Figure 3: Sample Sustainability Appraisal Table

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?								
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?								
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?								
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?								
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?								
1F: Will the Plan further reduce crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?								
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?								
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?								

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	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?								
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?								
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?								
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?								
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?								
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?								

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	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?								
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?								
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?								
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?								
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?								

KEY TO TABLES

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Strongly positive	Positive	Neutral / not applicable	Negative	Strongly negative

4. Sustainability Appraisal of the Plan policies

4.1 The draft Plan includes twenty-two policies relating to the various allocations; these set out the background and reasoning behind the allocations and the criteria and any restrictions on the development within those allocated sites.

4.2 The policies are as follows:

- Policies AL/1 – Employment Land Supply
- Policy AL/2 – Kingsway Business Park
- Policy AL/3 – Designations of centre boundaries
- Policy AL/4 – Shopping Areas in Town Centres
- Policy AL/5 – District and Local Centres
- Policy AL/6 – Sites Allocated for Residential Development
- Policy AL/7 – Green Network
- Policy AL/8 – Formal Sports Pitches
- Policy AL/9 – Local Urban Open Spaces
- Policy AL/10 – Allotments
- Policy AL/11 – Mandale Park
- Policy AL/12 - Areas Safeguarded for Flood Risk Management
- Policy AL/13 – Biodiversity and New Development
- Policy AL/14 – Areas Suitable for Wind Energy development
- Policy AL/15 – Defined Urban Area
- Policy AL/16 – Park and Ride – Rail and Metrolink
- Policy AL/17 – East Lancashire Railway (ELR) – New Stations
- Policy AL/18 – Access to New Development for Cyclists, Pedestrians and People with Impaired Mobility
- Policy AL/19 – Buses (including Rapid Transit) and Taxis
- Policy AL/20 – Highway Infrastructure Improvements and New Development
- Policy AL/21 – Service Vehicle Access to Developments
- Policy AL/22 – Parking Provision

4.3 The appraisal of the policies has involved analysis of each policy using the IA framework set out in Section 2 above. A summary table is shown below; this averages the results for each policy against each objective. It shows results for implementing the policy as set out in the draft Plan without changes, and for the alternative scenario of “without policy”.

4.4 The full policy assessment tables are shown in Appendix 3 of this report.

Table 1: SA of Plan policies

POLICIES	OBJECTIVES																								
	People						Place												Prosperity						
	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1F	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E	2F	2G	2H	2I	2J	2K	2L	3A	3B	3C	3D	3E		
With policies																									
AL/1	NA	+	NA	++	NA	+	++	NA	++	+	+	+	+	NA	+	+	+	NA	+	++	++	++	++		
AL/2	NA	+	NA	+	N	N	++	+	N	N	N	+	+	N	-	N	N	+	++	N	N	++	++		
AL/3	NA	+	NA	+	+	++	++	NA	NA	NA	+	++	++	N	+	+	NA	+	+	N	++	+	+		
AL/4	NA	+	NA	+	+	++	++	NA	NA	NA	+	++	++	N	+	+	NA	+	+	N	++	+	+		
AL/5	NA	+	NA	+	+	++	++	NA	NA	NA	+	++	++	N	+	+	NA	+	+	N	++	+	+		
AL/6	N	+	++	+	+	+	NA	+	NA	++	+	++	++	+											
AL/7	NA	+	NA	+	+	NA	+	+	++	++	NA	+	+	++	+	++	++	+	NA	+	NA	NA	NA		
AL/8	NA	+	NA	++	++	+	++	+	++	+	++	++	++	++	+	++	++	+	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
AL/9	NA	+	NA	++	++	+	++	+	++	+	++	++	++	++	+	++	++	+	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
AL/10	NA	+	NA	++	N	N	+	N	N	+	NA	NA	+	+	NA	N	++	++	+	N	NA	NA	NA		
AL/11	NA	+	N	+	+	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	NA	NA	N	N		
AL/12	NA	N	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	+	+	++	NA	NA	NA	NN	N	N	NA	N	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
AL/13	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	++	N	++	+	NA	NA	NA	++	N	+	+	+	+	N	NA	N	N		
AL/14	NA	N	NA	NA	NA	N	N	N	N	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-	++	+	+	NA	+	+		
AL/15	NA	N	N	N	N	N	++	N	+	N	N	N	+	+	+	++	+	+	+	N	N	N	N		
AL/16 – AL/22	NA	+	NA	++	++	+	++	N	+	N	++	++	++	N	N	N	NA	++	+	+	+	+	N		
Without policies																									
AL/1	NA	-	NA	NA	NA	-	--	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	NA	NA	N	NA	-	N	N	+	-	N		
AL/2	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	-	N	+	N	-	-	-	+	+	N	N	N	-	N	N	--	-		
AL/3	NA	+	NA	-	-	N	-	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	NA	N	N	NA	-	-	N	--	-	N		
AL/4	NA	+	NA	-	-	N	-	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	NA	N	N	NA	-	-	N	--	-	N		
AL/5	NA	+	NA	-	-	N	-	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	NA	N	N	NA	-	-	N	--	-	N		
AL/6	--	--	--	N	N	--	-	N	N	N	N	N	-	N	-	-	NA	N	N	N	N	N	N		

AL/7	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-	--	-	N	-	N	--	-	-	-	-	N	N	NA	N	N
AL/8	NA	-	NA	--	--	N	--	N	--	-	N	--	-	--	-	-	-	-	N	N	NA	N	N
AL/9	NA	-	NA	--	--	N	--	N	--	-	N	--	-	--	-	-	-	-	N	N	NA	N	N
AL/10	NA	-	NA	-	-	N	-	N	-	-	NA	NA	NA	N	-	-	-	N	N	N	NA	N	N
AL/11	NA	-	NA	N	N	-	-	NA	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	NA	N	N
AL/12	NA	N	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	--	NA	NA	NA	N	-	-	-	N	N	N	NA	N	N
AL/13	NA	N	N	N	N	N	-	-	-	-	N	N	N	--	N	N	-	-	N	N	N	N	N
AL/14	NA	N	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	N	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	N	-	-	-	-	-	-	NA	N	N
AL/15	+	-	N	-	N	N	-	N	-	N	-	-	-	-	--	--	N	--	-	-	-	N	N
AL/16 – AL/22	NA	-	NA	-	-	-	-	N	-	NA	--	--	--	N	N	N	N	--	-	-	-	N	N

Sustainability assessment of policies – conclusions and recommendations

Employment policies (AL/1 and AL/2)

- 4.5 The assessment showed a generally positive relationship with the objectives in the IA Framework. However, within this it is noted that the relationship with environmental objectives was slightly less positive than with social and economic objectives. It is considered that this is particularly regarding transport and traffic issues. Transport links were regarded as a 'big issue'. It is therefore recommended that these policies are examined further to determine if they can introduce a stronger relationship with sustainable transport.
- 4.6 The concept of 'diversity' also emerged as a key issue, in particular as IA Framework objective 3A seeks diversification of the local economy. It is recommended therefore that this issue is specifically referenced in the Plan policies.

Retail policies (AL/3 to AL/5)

- 4.7 These policies were considered to have a generally very positive relationship with the IA objectives. The relationship between hot food takeaway and health levels was noted, however this was felt to be covered by the existing policy wording. Similarly, the emphasis on sustainable locations in the existing policy was noted.

Housing policy (AL/6)

- 4.8 A significant proportion of the objectives were not applicable to this particular policy, particularly environmental objectives. Of particular note was the potential economic boost relating to this particular policy.

Green Network policy (AL/7)

- 4.9 This policy was considered to be very positive from an environmental point of view. However, there is no mention of woodland planting and this was felt to be a deficiency.

Urban Open Space and Playing Pitch policies (AL/8 and AL/9)

- 4.10 Although the assessment of these policies yielded generally positive outcomes, the concern was raised that the issue of accessibility is not mentioned in the policies. Additionally, there is no hierarchy of value of sites.

Allotments policy (AL/10)

- 4.11 This policy was felt to have the potential to improve deprived areas of the borough, in line with IA objective 1B, but it was felt that the policy wording could be stronger in this respect. Similarly, the issue of accessibility is in need of greater emphasis. More could be outlined in the policy in terms of the promotion of new allotment sites.

Flood Risk Management policy (AL/12)

- 4.12 Generally a lot of the objectives were considered to be not applicable in the instance of this particular policy. One area was identified where it was felt that the policy could have more emphasis and guidance, and this was in respect of Sustainable Urban Drainage (SuDS).

Wind Energy Development policy (AL/14)

- 4.13 This policy performed significantly poorly in respect of environmental objectives. It is considered that this is because of the fact that the whole district is identified as potentially suitable for wind energy development, thus potentially creating harmful impacts on biodiversity, heritage and landscape, as well as increasing traffic during the construction phase. Thus, whilst it could be recommended that this policy is reviewed to consider whether it could be expanded to include criteria, such criteria is already outlined in the relevant Core Strategy policy which this policy compliments: thus, no further mitigation action is recommended.

Transport policies (AL/16 to AL/22)

- 4.14 Generally these policies were considered to perform well against sustainability objectives.

Overall

- 4.15 Overall the draft Plan policies were considered to be significantly sustainable. In terms of the considered alternatives of “without policy”, it can be seen that there are generally negative relationships; as most policies have objectives which broadly align with some or all of the IA Framework objectives, this is not considered to be surprising.

5. Sustainability Appraisal of Employment Allocations

- 5.1 Thirty – three employment allocations were indicated in the draft Plan. These range in size from 0.27 hectares to 7.8 hectares, with a total area of 142.36 hectares. These were assessed individually and the results of this are shown in Table 2 below, with the detailed table in Appendix 4. They were also subject to archaeological assessment and the results of this are shown in Appendix 2.
- 5.2 In terms of reasonable alternatives, it is considered that the assessment allows for full consideration of all the sites in relation to each other and thus the SEA requirement for consideration of reasonable alternatives is addressed.

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- 5.3 In terms of individual sites, there are a number of relationships between sites and the IA objectives which are of note. Cowm Top, Heywood Distribution Park, Pilsworth Road, Waterfold Farm, Birch Industrial Estate and South Heywood performed poorly against environmental objectives, Birch Industrial Estate and South Heywood in particular. This is because these sites were considered to be ‘out on a limb’ in comparison with others, not well served by sustainable transport options. It is therefore recommended that these sites (which are existing employment sites) are restricted to their existing use classes only, and that the policy relating to new employment sites ensures that only sites with good access by sustainable transport come forward.

Table 2: Assessment of Employment Allocations

	OBJECTIVES																							
	People						Place												Prosperity					
	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1F	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E	2F	2G	2H	2I	2J	2K	2L	3A	3B	3C	3D	3E	
OVERALL	NA	N	NA	N	N	+	++	N	N	N	+	N	-	-	N	N	N	-	++	NA	+	++	++	
Kingsway Business Park	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	++	N	+	+	+	+	N	+	N	+	++	NA	N	++	+	
Cowm Top	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	-	N	-	N	N	N	-	N	-	++	NA	N	++	N	
Buckley Road	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Heywood Distribution Park	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	++	N	-	-	-	+	N	+	N	-	++	NA	N	++	+	
Smallbridge Business Park	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Pilsworth Road	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	-	-	N	N	N	N	-	++	NA	N	++	N	
Eagle Technology Park	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Sandbrook Business Park	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Canal Basin	NA	+	NA	N	N	N	+	++	N	N	N	N	+	N	+	+	N	+	++	NA	N	++	N	
Sefton Street	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	+	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Land off Finlan Road	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	+	
Land off Riverside Drive	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Land off Chichester Street	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Land off Quay Street	NA	+	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Land at Caldershaw Centre	NA	+	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Land South of Bury New Road	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	+	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Land off Todmorden Road	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Jackson Street	NA	+	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N	
Waterfold Farm (PC World)	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	-	-	-	N	N	N	N	-	++	NA	N	++	N	

Site of former Liquid Rock Night Club	NA	+	NA	+	+	+	+	N	N	N	+	+	+	N	+	+	N	+	++	NA	++	++	N
Former Woolworths Site	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	+	+	+	N	N	N	N	+	++	NA	N	++	N
Land at Royle Barn Lane	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N
Land between 21 Baillie Street and Bell Street	NA	N	NA	+	+	+	+	N	N	N	+	+	+	N	+	+	N	+	++	NA	++	++	N
Spotland Bridge New Mill	NA	++	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	+	+	N	+	++	NA	N	++	N
Stakehill Industrial Estate	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	+
Lemonpark Industrial Estate	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N
Naylors Equestrian Llp	NA	+	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	+	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N
Hanson Street Industrial Site	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N
Birch Industrial Estate	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	-	-	--	N	N	N	N	-	++	NA	N	++	N
Bradferns	NA	+	NA	N	N	N	+	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	+	+	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N
Ladyhouse Works, Milnrow	NA	+	NA	N	N	+	+	N	N	N	+	+	+	N	N	N	N	+	++	NA	+	++	N
Land adjacent to Meadowcroft Mill	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	++	NA	N	++	N
South Heywood	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	-	-	-	N	N	N	N	-	++	N	N	++	+

6. Sustainability Appraisal of Housing Allocations

- 6.1 The Panel assessed all 93 proposed housing allocations on an overall basis, and then looked in detail at all sites over 90 units in size (of which there are 20). This threshold was chosen because it allowed a manageable sample for the practical purposes of the IA process whilst ensuring as many as realistically possible of the key sites were assessed in detail.
- 6.2 The appraisal of the housing allocations has involved analysis of each site of more than 90 units using the IA framework set out in Section 2 above. A summary table is shown below; this averages the results for each site against each objective. The full tables are shown in Appendix 5. In terms of reasonable alternatives, it is considered that the assessment allows for full consideration of all the sites in relation to each other and thus the SEA requirement for consideration of reasonable alternatives is addressed. The sites were also subject to archaeological assessment and the results of this are shown in Appendix 2.
- 6.3 In terms of individual sites, the following sites were rated particularly negatively against certain objectives:
- Land south of Heywood Distribution Park – this scored poorly against most of the environmental objectives. This has a lot to do with its greenfield status and location.
 - New Street, Littleborough – negative against most environmental objectives, including those relating to flood risk, traffic and biodiversity. This has a lot to do with its greenfield status and location.
 - College Bank and Lower Falinge, Rochdale – some social objectives. It was considered that these allocations could potentially displace communities and reduce the housing choice by reducing the number of 1-beds available.
 - Castleton Sidings – biodiversity objective. It was considered that there could be significant biodiversity interest on this site.
 - Land at Dyehouse Lane – objective relating to flooding. It was considered that this site is particularly vulnerable to flooding events.
 - Willow Park, Langley – objective relating to open space. There was concern that this allocation could lead to the loss of valuable open space.
 - Langley Lane – this site was considered poor in terms of access to sustainable transport and there was concern about pressure on school places.
 - Riverside Phase 2 and Warwick Mill – the question was raised as to the flood risk situation for these sites.
 - Trub – the issues of contaminated land, impact on canal and impact on local services were raised.

- Carcraft – Access to this site, in particular by sustainable transport, was considered to be poor.
- Turner Brothers site – concern was raised in respect of the issue of contamination.
- British Vita – concern was raised over possible flood issues.

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- 6.4 It is noted that the sites south of Heywood Distribution Park and New Street, Littleborough are already in receipt of planning permission and therefore it is not possible to review these allocations at this stage. In respect of College Bank and Lower Falinge, it is recommended that these allocations are reviewed to ensure that the existing tenure mix is maintained to the extent that shortages in particular of 1-bed availability do not come to bear as a result of this allocation.
- 6.5 It is recommended that the allocation at Castleton Sidings is reviewed in the light of its biodiversity value and the allocation at Dyehouse Lane is also reviewed in respect of the flood risk potential. In terms of the allocation at Willow Park, Langley, it is recommended that this allocation is also reviewed to ensure that it does not lead to a deficiency of recreational open space in the area.
- 6.6 It is noted that the site at Langley Lane already has planning permission and thus no further actions are recommended in this instance.
- 6.7 It is recommended that the Riverside Phase 2 and Warwick Mill allocations are reviewed to ensure that the issue of flood risk is taken into account. Similarly, the Trub allocation should be reviewed to ensure that it is suitable bearing in mind possible issues in relation to the canal, contaminated land and impact on local services.
- 6.8 The Carcraft site allocation should be reviewed in the light of possible issues with access to sustainable transport. The Turner Brothers site allocation should be reviewed in respect of the concerns raised about contaminated land.

Table 3: Assessment of Housing Allocations – summary table

	OBJECTIVES																						
	People						Place												Prosperity				
	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1F	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E	2F	2G	2H	2I	2J	2K	2L	3A	3B	3C	3D	3E
OVERALL	++	+	++	N	N	N	++	N	-	-	N	N	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	NA	NA
SITES > 90 DWELLINGS																							
Land south of Heywood Distribution Park	+	N	+	N	N	N	+	N	-	N	+	N	-	-	N	-	-	-	+	N	N	N	+
Sites south of Heywood Town Centre	++	++	++	N	N	++	++	NA	N	N	N	+	++	N	N	+	N	++	+	N	+	N	N
Mutual Mills	+	+	++	+	+	+	++	N	+	N	N	++	++	N	++	++	N	++	-	NA	++	-	N
British Vita	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	-	N	+	+	N	N	N	N	+	-	NA	NA	-	N
Land west of Hollin Lane	+	N	+	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	+	+	-	N	-	-	-	N	N	N	N	N
Langley Lane / Hollin Lane	+	N	+	N	N	N	+	NA	-	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	NA	NA	NA	NA
Land at Keswick Close	+	+	+	N	N	N	N	NA	-	N	N	+	+	N	N	N	N	-	N	NA	NA	N	N
Warwick Mill	+	+	++	++	++	+	++	NA	NA	-	N	++	++	N	++	+	N	++	+	NA	++	+	N
Land at Dyehouse Lane	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	--	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	-	NA	NA	-	-
Former Akzo Nobel	+	N	N	+	+	N	+	+	+	N	N	+	+	+	N	N	++	+	N	N	+	N	N
New Road, Littleborough	+	N	+	N	N	N	-	NA	--	--	-	-	--	-	-	N	N	-	N	N	NA	N	N

Lower Falinge Masterplan	-	++	-	N	N	++	++	NA	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	NA	N	N	N	
Former Dunlop works	+	N	+	N	N	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	+	+	NA	NA	+	N
Carcraft site	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	+	+	N	N	N	N	+	N	NA	NA	-	N
Trub (west of canal)	+	N	N	N	N	N	-	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	NA	NA	N	N
Land at Newchurch Street	+	+	+	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	+	+	+	N	N	N	N	N	NA	NA	N	N	
Central Retail Park	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	N	N	N	N	+	+	N	N	N	N	+	N	NA	NA	-	N
Former Dexine Rubber Co	+	+	+	N	N	N	+	NA	N	N	N	N	+	N	++	++	NA	+	N	NA	NA	N	N
Riverside Phase 2	+	+	+	N	N	+	+	NA	-	-	N	+	+	N	+	+	NA	+	+	NA	++	N	N
Castleton Sidings	+	N	+	N	N	N	N	N	-	N	N	+	+	--	N	N	-	+	N	NA	NA	N	N

7. Sustainability Appraisal of Open Space Allocations

- 7.1 The draft Plan includes a number of open space allocations, as follows:
- Formal sports pitches.
 - Allotments.
 - Informal recreational areas in the urban area.
 - Green Network. This is a linked network of open spaces through the urban area which will allow for easy access to open space, the free movement of wildlife through the urban area and the provision of foot and cycle links through the urban area.
- 7.2 It would be impractical for the SA to assess all of the allocated open spaces in the borough. Thus it is considered that the assessment of the relevant policies i.e. policies A7 to A10 will adequately represent the assessment of these allocations. The assessment of these policies is summarised in Table 4 below and detailed in Appendix 3.
- 7.3 This policy was considered to be very positive from an environmental point of view. However, it was pointed out that there is no mention of woodland planting and this was felt to be a deficiency.
- 7.4 Although the assessment of these policies yielded generally positive outcomes, the concern was raised that the issue of accessibility is not mentioned in the policies. Additionally, there is no hierarchy of value of sites.
- 7.5 This policy was felt to have the potential to improve deprived areas of the borough, in line with IA objective 1B, but it was felt that the policy wording could be stronger in this respect. Similarly, the issue of accessibility is in need of greater emphasis. More could be outlined in the policy in terms of the promotion of new allotment sites.

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- 7.6 It is recommended that the Green Network policy specifically notes the potential value of the network for woodland planting.
- 7.7 It is recommended that the open space policies make specific mention of the issue of accessibility, and ensure that the hierarchy of open spaces is clarified.
- 7.8 It is recommended that policy A10 relating to allotments is expanded to particularly relate to deprived areas of the borough, emphasise the importance of accessibility and promote the creation of new sites to meet demand.

Table 4: Assessment of open space allocations – summary table

POLICIES	OBJECTIVES																								
	People						Place												Prosperity						
	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1F	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E	2F	2G	2H	2I	2J	2K	2L	3A	3B	3C	3D	3E		
With policies																									
AL/7	NA	+	NA	+	+	NA	+	+	++	++	NA	+	+	++	+	++	++	+	NA	+	NA	NA	NA		
AL/8 and AL/9	NA	+	NA	++	++	+	++	+	++	+	++	++	++	++	+	++	++	+	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
AL/10	NA	+	NA	++	N	N	+	N	N	+	NA	NA	+	+	NA	N	++	++	+	N	N	NA	NA	NA	
Without policies																									
AL/7	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-	--	-	N	-	N	--	-	-	-	-	N	N	NA	N	N		
AL/8 and AL/9	NA	-	NA	--	--	N	--	N	--	-	N	--	-	--	-	-	-	-	N	N	NA	N	N		
AL/10	NA	-	NA	-	-	N	-	N	-	-	NA	NA	NA	N	N	N	-	-	N	N	NA	N	N		

8. Sustainability Appraisal of Transport Allocations

8.1 The transport infrastructure allocations set out in the draft Plan consist of the following:

- Mills Hill Park and Ride, Middleton
- Newhey Park and Ride
- Potential East Lancs Railway (ELR) station sites, Heywood
- Potential ELR station sites, Castleton
- Kingsway Park and Ride
- Smithybridge Station Park and Ride
- Stakehill Industrial Estate – possible railfreight terminal site

8.2 The appraisal of the transport allocations has involved analysis of each site using the IA framework set out in Section 2 above. A summary table is shown below; this averages the results for each site against each objective. The full tables are shown in Appendix 6. In terms of reasonable alternatives, it is considered that these allocations present a series of options and all of these are assessed and thus the SEA requirement for consideration of reasonable alternatives is addressed.

8.3 Generally the transport allocations have been considered to have positive or very positive relationships with the IA objectives, in particular environmental objectives. Of particular note is one negative relationship, namely that between the Newhey Park and Ride allocation and nature conservation interests. This relates to the proposed location i.e. Newhey Brickworks.

Sustainability assessment of transport allocations – conclusions and recommendations

8.4 It is recommended that the Newhey Park and Ride allocation is reviewed to ensure that any harm to nature conservation interest is mitigated.

Table 5: Assessment of transport allocations – summary table

	OBJECTIVES																							
	People						Place												Prosperity					
	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1F	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E	2F	2G	2H	2I	2J	2K	2L	3A	3B	3C	3D	3E	
Mills Hill Park and Ride	NA	N	NA	+	+	+	++	N	N	N	++	++	++	N	N	N	N	++	+	N	N	N	N	
Newhey Park and Ride	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	+	N	N	N	++	++	++	-	N	N	N	++	+	N	N	N	N	
Potential East Lancs Railway (ELR) station sites, Heywood	NA	+	NA	+	+	N	++	NA	N	N	++	++	++	N	N	N	N	++	++	N	+	+	+	
Potential ELR station sites, Castleton	NA	+	NA	+	+	N	++	N	N	N	++	++	++	N	N	N	N	++	++	N	N	+	+	
Kingsway Park and Ride	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	++	N	N	N	++	++	++	N	N	N	N	++	++	N	N	+	+	
Smithybridge Station Park and Ride	NA	N	NA	+	+	N	++	N	N	N	++	++	++	N	N	N	N	++	+	N	N	N	N	
Stakehill Industrial Estate – possible railfreight terminal site	NA	N	NA	N	N	N	++	N	N	N	++	N	++	N	N	N	N	++	++	N	N	+	+	

9. Summary of Sustainability Appraisal recommendations

9.1 The following recommendations are made in respect of the policies contained within the draft Plan:

- It is recommended that the employment policies are examined further to determine if they can introduce a stronger relationship with sustainable transport.
- It is recommended that the issue of economic diversity is specifically referenced in the employment policies.
- It is recommended that the Green Network policy makes specific reference to the potential of the network for woodland planting in appropriate areas.
- It is recommended that the Urban Open Space and Playing Pitch policies refer positively to the issue of accessibility and consider the if there is a hierarchy of sites which could be usefully referred to.
- It is recommended that the wording of the Allotments policy encourages the relationship between allotment development and improving deprived areas of the borough, refers to the importance of accessibility and promotes the creation of new sites.
- It is recommended that the flood risk management policy contains more emphasis and guidance in respect of Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SuDS).
- It is recommended that the employment allocations at Cowm Top, Heywood Distribution Park, Pilsworth Road, Waterfold Farm and Birch Industrial Estate are restricted to their existing use classes only, and that the policy relating to new employment sites ensures that only sites with good access by sustainable transport come forward.
- It is recommended that the College Bank and Lower Falinge housing allocations are reviewed to ensure that the existing tenure mix is maintained to the extent that shortages in particular of 1-bed availability do not come to bear as a result of this allocation.
- It is recommended that the housing allocation at Castleton Sidings is reviewed in the light of its biodiversity value and the one at Dyehouse Lane is also reviewed in respect of the flood risk potential. In terms of the allocation at Willow Park, Langley, it is recommended that this allocation is also reviewed to ensure that it does not lead to a deficiency of recreational open space in the area.
- It is recommended that the Riverside Phase 2 and Warwick Mill housing allocations are reviewed to ensure that the issue of flood risk is taken into account. Similarly, the Trub allocation should be reviewed to ensure that it is suitable bearing in mind possible issues in relation to the canal, contaminated land and impact on local services.
- The Carcraft site allocation should be reviewed in the light of possible issues with access to sustainable transport. The Turner Brothers site allocation should be reviewed in respect of the concerns raised about contaminated land.
- It is recommended that the Newhey Park and Ride allocation is reviewed to ensure that any harm to nature conservation interest is mitigated.

10. Equalities and health impacts assessments

Equalities Impact Assessment Screening (EqIA)

- 10.1 Appendix A contains the EqIA screening assessment. The assessment found that policies will generally have the same effect on all protected characteristics and persons. The assessment has found that the draft Plan is unlikely to have negative effects on protected characteristics or persons identified under the Equality Act 2010 and, as a result, a full EqIA will not be required.
- 10.2 These findings will be subject to consultation comments from wider stakeholders alongside the draft Plan. Any comments received will be considered during the follow-on stages of the Plan preparation.

Health Impact Assessment (HIA)

- 10.3 The aim of HIA is to consider the positive and negative impacts of the Plan on health. It will identify any unintended impacts in order to either lend support to the Plan as existing or suggest improvements.
- 10.4 There are five stages to an HIA:
- Screening
 - Identify health impacts
 - Prioritise important health impacts
 - Analysis: quantify or describe health impacts
 - Recommendations to improve policy

Stage 1: Screening

- 10.5 Consideration of whether or not to proceed to the further stages of HIA is determined by answering the screening questions. The results of this screening, including a brief explanation of evidence and advice used to make the judgement, should be completed and recorded. If the answer to any of the screening questions is affirmative, then the next HIA Stages should be completed. The five screening questions are:
- Will the proposal have a direct impact on health, mental health and wellbeing?
 - Will the policy have an impact on social, economic and environmental living conditions that would indirectly affect health?
 - Will the proposal affect an individual's ability to improve their own health and wellbeing?
 - Will there be a change in demand for, or access to, health and social care services?
 - Will the proposal have an impact on global health?
- 10.6 In order to help answer these questions, it was considered that comparison of the IA Framework objectives against the determinants of health, as defined by the

Department of Health in 'Health Impact Assessment of Government Policy' (2010), would provide useful evidence. The determinants of health are the focus of HIA; they are the social, economic, environmental and cultural factors that indirectly influence health and wellbeing. Some, such as gender, age and family history of illness, cannot change or are difficult to change, while others can be changed by policy interventions. The analysis is illustrated in Table 6 below.

Table 6: Comparison of IA Objectives against the Determinants of Health (D = Direct relationship, I = Indirect relationship)

Determinant Of Health	IA Objective in which it is covered																							
	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1F	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E	2F	2G	2H	2I	2J	2K	2L	3A	3B	3C	3D	3E	
Global Ecosystem																								
Climate Change									D	I								D						
Biodiversity															D									
Natural Environment																								
Natural Habitats														D										
Air												I	I					D						
Water								I	I															
Land							D	D									D							
Built Environment																								
Buildings	I		I												D	D								
Places							D																	
Streets / roads										D														
Activities																								
Working																		I				D	D	

	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1F	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E	2F	2G	2H	2I	2J	2K	2L	3A	3B	3C	3D	3E	
Shopping																						D		
Moving				D					D															
Living	I			I																				
Playing				D					I															
Learning																								D
Local Economy																								
Wealth creation																				D			I	
Markets																				D	D	I		
Community																								
Social capital		I																						
Networks	I	I																						
Lifestyle																								
Diet				I																				
Physical activity				D			D																	
Work / life balance				I																				D
People																								
Age, sex, hereditary factors					D	D																		

10.7 As can be seen from Table 6, there are a lot of direct relationships between the determinants of health and the IA Framework objectives. There are determinants, however, where there are no direct impacts but direct impacts. This analysis shows that the Sustainability Appraisal part of this IA has taken into account of all of the determinants of health either directly or indirectly.

10.8 Returning to the screening questions,

- Will the proposal have a direct impact on health, mental health and wellbeing?

There is no direct relationship between the Plan and its allocations on health, mental health and wellbeing.

- Will the policy have an impact on social, economic and environmental living conditions that would indirectly affect health?

The Plan is not a policy document. However the allocations within the Plan are likely to impact on social, economic and environmental living conditions.

- Will the proposal affect an individual's ability to improve their own health and wellbeing?

Some of the allocations within the Plan may affect individuals' ability to improve their own health and wellbeing, for example if housing sites are located close to recreational open space.

- Will there be a change in demand for, or access to, health and social care services?

Clearly distribution of population around the borough can impact on demand for and access to services, although this could be considered indirect impact.

- Will the proposal have an impact on global health?

The Plan is not a document which is likely to have a significant impact on global health.

Conclusions

10.9 The screening outlined above shows that there could be impacts on health issues from individual allocations. However, the Plan in itself is overarching and does not create policy and therefore won't in itself have these impacts. It is therefore recommended that, taking into account that the SA section of this IA has robustly assessed the Plan in health impacts terms as shown above, further stages of the HIA process are not necessary. However, it is recommended that the Plan, in its wording, places an onus on individual sites to carry out the HIA process where they are large enough to have a significant potential impact.

11. Next steps

- 11.1 The next step is for this document to be made public alongside the public consultation for the draft Plan. Any comments received as part of this consultation will be considered and the IA reviewed as necessary.
- 11.2 The IA will be an ongoing process, continually reviewed as the Plan is developed.

Appendix 1: Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA) Screening Report

1 Introduction

1.1 The Equality Act 2010 imposes a duty on public bodies to have due regard to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Act;
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a characteristic and those who do not share a characteristic;
- Foster good relations between people who share a characteristic and those who do not share a characteristic.

1.2 EqIA is designed to ensure that discrimination does not occur in the drawing up of plans or policies. It should be noted that health impacts have also been looked at through the Sustainability Appraisal part of the IA (notably in respect of objectives 1D and 1E) and the HIA outlined in Chapter 10 of this document.

1.3 The purpose of this report is to determine whether the draft Plan has the potential to have negative impacts on the protected characteristics outlined in the Act; from this it can be determined whether or not a full EqIA will be required.

The Equality Act 2010

1.4 The Equality Act (2010) applies to the provision of services and public functions and includes the development of local authority plans and policies. It prevents discrimination on the basis of nine protected characteristics:

- Age
- Disability
- Gender reassignment
- Marriage and civil partnership
- Pregnancy and maternity
- Race
- Religion or belief
- Sex, and
- Sexual orientation.

The draft Allocations Plan

1.5 The adoption of the Core Strategy was the first key phase of replacing the Council's Unitary Development Plan (UDP) with a 'new style' Local Plan. Whilst the Core Strategy sets out the scale and broad location of new development in the borough required to meet needs up to 2028, and sets out general policies relating to the development, protection and use of land, it does not include any specific allocations. The second phase of the Local Plan is the production of an Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD); this document will set out how the scale of development outlined in the Core Strategy will be delivered through specific allocations for housing, employment and any other identified needs. As well as

allocations to deliver growth, it will also set out designations and zones relating to particular land uses for example key open spaces and opportunities for flood risk management. Hereafter in this document the Allocations DPD will be referred to simply as 'the Plan'.

1.6 There are several key stages in the production of the Plan, as follows:

- Evidence gathering
- 'Call For Sites'
- Draft document
- Publication and submission
- Examination in public
- Adoption

The evidence gathering and call for sites has taken place, and a draft Plan has been produced.

2 Methodology

2.1 The initial EqIA assessment comprises the screening of the draft Plan to see whether there would potentially be any positive or negative impacts upon those protected characteristics outlined above. The Council's corporate EIA (Equality Impact Assessment) template has been used to complete the initial screening; all of the draft policies and allocations categories have been individually assessed, and the results outlined in Table 1 below. The screening exercise will set out the following:

- Identification of the purpose / aims of the Plan, which can be used as evidence when carrying out the assessment;
- Identification of any other plans / policies / strategies which relate to the Plan in respect of equalities issues, in case they impact on the equalities impacts of the Plan;
- Assessment of the impacts of the Plan (positive or negative) on protected characteristics or persons, using the same format as used for the EIA of the Core Strategy

2.2 If no negative impacts are identified as a result of the screening, then no further assessment will be required. If negative impacts are identified, a full EqIA will be required.

3 EqIA Screening

Identification of the purpose / aims of the Plan

3.1 As the allocations within the Plan are a geographical refinement of the policies set out in the Core Strategy, it is considered that the aims and objectives of the two documents are the same. Thus, the purpose and aims of the Plan are concordant with the Spatial Vision and Strategic Objectives of the Core Strategy, which are as follows:

Spatial Vision:

To become a prosperous borough: to grow our economy and develop our place through co-operation and partnership, improving the lives of local people.

Rochdale borough will be an attractive, vibrant and thriving place where people want to live, work, visit and do business.

Its population will be more prosperous, better educated and healthier.

It will offer locally distinctive towns and places. It will be celebrated for its greenery, water and natural assets (including biodiversity and geodiversity), its sustainable approach to growth, its Pennine character, its success as a business location, its connectivity with Greater Manchester, Yorkshire and beyond, its cultural heritage and its choice of housing.

Its wider range of jobs will retain local talent and reduce dependence on outward commuting even more.

The borough will be a more desirable place to live in with attractive housing and strong communities.

Its urban green spaces will be much improved and the Roch Valley will form the backbone of a green network of urban corridors and countryside where opportunities for regeneration, leisure, wildlife and addressing climate change will have been taken.

The Rochdale Canal and Corridor will be a regenerated asset, and rivers and other water features will be a stronger part of the identity of the borough and a better used asset by the local population and visitors.

The urban south of the borough will have thriving towns surrounded by attractive, productive countryside. It will have fully capitalised on the proximity of the M62, Metrolink and railway connections to develop its economy and living opportunities in a sustainable way.

Langley, Kirkholt, Milkstone and Deepish, and East Central Rochdale will have been successfully transformed and other communities in Inner Rochdale, Castleton, Central Heywood and East Middleton will be seeing the benefits of regeneration and housing growth.

Rochdale town centre will be a regenerated vibrant main centre. Kingsway Business Park will be a nationally acclaimed success.

The north of the borough will have attractive housing communities, regenerated urban sites, and a stronger Pennine identity. Its countryside will have a stronger visitor economy and a better managed and more accessible landscape.

Strategic Objectives:

SO1 - To deliver a more prosperous economy

To do this we will focus on:

1. Identifying quality employment sites and areas to increase the number and range of jobs and employment levels;
2. Developing the rural and visitor economies particularly in the northern Pennine fringe;
3. Establishing strong thriving attractive town centres, particularly Rochdale town centre;
4. Ensuring good transport accessibility to jobs and markets within and beyond Greater Manchester;
5. Supporting provision of educational facilities to improve skills; and
6. Building on the borough's assets and improving its image to attract investment.

SO2 - To create successful and healthy communities

To do this we will focus on:

1. Delivering sufficient housing to meet demand;
2. Improving the range of housing to meet everyone's needs and aspirations, including affordable housing and more high value housing;
3. Creating well designed desirable housing areas to retain and attract residents;
4. Focusing housing growth where it helps to deliver regeneration and economic growth (e.g. inner areas and deprived housing estates);
5. Ensuring that new housing is supported by community facilities, service infrastructure, open space etc.; and
6. Improving the general health and quality of people's lives through better access to health facilities and services, education, community and cultural facilities and open space.

SO3 - To improve design, image and quality of place

To do this we will focus on:

1. Raising design quality and promoting sustainable developments;
2. Improving gateways into the borough and main transport corridors to improve the image of the borough;
3. Protecting and enhancing our heritage and natural assets, the special character of our towns, our countryside, open spaces, river valleys and water features; and
4. Creating new identity and character where it is lacking (e.g. inner areas and road corridors).

SO4 - To promote a greener environment

To do this we will focus on:

1. Minimising Rochdale's contribution to climate change and mitigating and adapting to its adverse effects;
2. Ensuring in particular that development is energy efficient and contributes to carbon reduction;
3. Reducing the likelihood of flooding through appropriate flood risk management, especially in Rochdale town centre and parts of Littleborough and Heywood;
4. Improving our urban open spaces and making them more accessible;

5. Maximising the value of our green open areas and countryside to provide opportunities for recreation, amenity, biodiversity and flood management;
6. Minimising and managing waste and managing minerals resources sustainably; and
7. Ensuring no detriment to the conservation interests of European and other protected natural sites.

S05 - To improve accessibility and deliver sustainable transport

To do this we will focus on:

1. Directing development to the most accessible locations or those that can be made more accessible by public transport;
2. Improving strategic transport connections including links with Manchester city centre and key destinations in and beyond Greater Manchester;
3. Improving access to the public transport network;
4. Promoting transport improvements that enhance access to town and local centres and employment areas (existing and new) within and outside the borough; and
5. Ensuring new development contributes to transport improvements and the use of public and other sustainable transport.

- 3.2 The vision and objectives have already been subject to EqIA themselves, when the EqIA of the Core Strategy was undertaken.

Identification of any other plans / policies / strategies which relate to the Plan in respect of equalities issues

- 3.3 The other document which clearly relates to the Plan is the adopted Core Strategy; this is outlined in para 1.5 above. In terms of the equalities impact of that document, a screening exercise was carried out in November 2010, and this found that none of the policies were considered to have any significant adverse impact on equality and thus a full equalities impact assessment was therefore not considered necessary.

Assessment of the impacts of the Plan (positive or negative) on protected characteristics or persons

- 3.4 The initial screening assessment of the Plan policies and allocations is outlined in Table 1 below. All policies have been individually assessed; in terms of the allocations, sites have not been individually assessed* as this is a detailed matter for planning application stage outside of the scope and ability of this assessment. However, it is possible to assess the impact of types of allocations overall, and this has been done.

(*With the exception of transport allocations which are sufficiently strategic to be assessed here.)

Table 1: Initial EqlA screening assessment of the draft Plan

Assessment key	
++	Very positive effect
+	Positive effect
0	Neutral / no effect
?	uncertain
-	Negative effect
--	Very negative effect

Policy / allocation ref	Description	Potential impact?										Comments	Overall +ve / - ve impact	Can any negative impact be mitigated?	Is a full EqlA required?
		Age	Disability	Gender reassignment	Marriage / civil partnership	Pregnancy and maternity	Race	Religion or belief	Sex	Sexual orientation					
Policies															
AL/1	Employment Land Supply	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks to safeguard land and premises in suitable locations to support job retention and creation, increasing employment levels and prosperity. This can benefit all groups.	Positive	N/A		
AL/2	Kingsway Business Park	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks to ensure a good supply of land and premises to support job creation, reduce unemployment. This can benefit all groups.	Positive	N/A		
AL/3	Designations of Centre	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy steers retail development into accessible town, district and local centres,	Positive	N/A		

	Boundaries										thus potentially benefitting those who may have mobility difficulties.			
AL/4	Shopping Areas in Town Centres	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy aims to preserve and enhance the vitality and viability of town centres, benefitting all groups particularly those who may have mobility difficulties	Positive	N/A	
AL/5	District and Local Centres	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks to preserve and enhance the vitality and viability of district centres, limited over proliferation of any one use, in particular hot food takeaways. This will help to ensure that a range of shops and services are available in local communities.	Very positive	N/A	
AL/6	Sites Allocated for Residential Development	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks to ensure to meet future needs. Overall, this will impact positively on all sectors of the community, however it should be noted that some of the sites could be in less accessible locations than others: mitigation for this would be at planning application stage.	Positive	N/A	
AL/7	Green Networks	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks to protect a network of green spaces through the borough, helping to ensure accessible open space near to all residential areas; this should benefit all, particularly those with mobility difficulties.	Positive	N/A	
AL/8	Urban Open Spaces	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks to protect local open spaces in the urban area, particularly recreational areas, and the impacts should be similar to A8 above.	Positive	N/A	
AL/9	Formal Sports Pitches	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks to protect formal sports pitches, which should be of equal benefit to all groups.	Positive	N/A	
AL/10	Allotments	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks to protect allotments, and increase them in accordance with demand.	Positive	N/A	

												There is no reason to suppose this would present any disadvantage for any particular group.			
AL/11	Mandale Park	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks improvements to Mandale Park.	Positive	N/A	
AL/12	Areas Safeguarded for Flood Risk Management	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks to protect certain areas for flood risk management, helping to alleviate flood risk in the borough, which should be of benefit to everyone equally.	Positive	N/A	
AL/13	Biodiversity and New Development	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	This policy seeks to protect biodiversity.	Neutral	N/A	
AL/14	Areas Suitable for Wind Energy Development	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	This policy allows wind development anywhere in the borough if certain criteria are met. This should not be disadvantageous for any one particular group.	Neutral	N/A	
AL/15	Defined Urban Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	This policy restricts development outside of the urban area.	Neutral	N/A	
AL/16	Park and Ride – Rail and Metrolink	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy supports the creation of areas of parking at public transport interchanges, promoting the use of sustainable modes of transport. It is considered that this will be of benefit to all equally.	Positive	N/A	
AL/17	East Lancs Railway – New Stations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	This policy promotes the creation of new stations on the East Lancs Railway, for recreational purposes, of no disadvantage to anyone in particular provided that they are accessible.	Neutral	N/A	
AL/18	Access to New Development for Cyclists, Pedestrians and People	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy will help develop opportunities for greater accessibility for cyclists, pedestrians and those with impaired mobility. This will benefit all, particularly those with mobility difficulties.	Very positive	N/A	

	with Impaired Mobility														
		Potential impact?													
Policy / allocation ref	Description	Age	Disability	Gender reassignment	Marriage / civil partnership	Pregnancy and maternity	Race	Religion or belief	Sex	Sexual orientation	Comments	Overall +ve / - ve impact	Can any negative impact be mitigated?	Is a full EqIA required?	
AL/19	Buses and Taxis	+	+	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	This policy seeks to encourage the use of buses and taxis as an alternative to private cars in order to promote more sustainable transport patterns and in particular more accessible modes of transport.	Very positive	N/A		
AL/20	Highway Infrastructure Improvements and New Development	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy seeks improvements to the highways to mitigate adverse impacts of developments in terms of such issues as highway safety.	Positive	N/A		
AL/21	Service Vehicle Access to Developments	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This policy aims to protect road safety by ensuring there is adequate provision for service vehicles clear of the highway and where they will not harm local amenity. This will be positive for all sectors of the community equally.	Positive	N/A		
AL/22	Parking Provision	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	This provides for maximum car parking provision standards and minimum provision for disabled, cycle and motorcycle provision.	Neutral	N/A		

												Maximum provision standards may be advantageous for the community as a whole to encourage sustainable transport use, however they could be disadvantageous for groups with mobility difficulties; however the minimum standards for disabled provision are clearly advantageous for that particular group. Overall, therefore, it may be reasonable to consider the impacts of this policy to be neutral.			
Employment Allocations															
	OVERALL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	In line with policies A1 and A2, the aim of the employment allocations is to ensure that there is sufficient land supply to meet demand for such uses, to provide employment and prosperity for the borough. The sites do, however, vary in terms of accessibility, and this must be noted; some groups (elderly and disabled in particular) may have greater difficulty in accessing some of the sites. However, this is a matter for individual sites at planning application stage and does not detract from the fact that increased employment opportunities and prosperity will be of benefit to all groups in the community equally.	Neutral	N/A	
Housing sites															
	OVERALL	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	The aim of the housing allocations is to ensure that there is sufficient land supply in the borough to provide for demand, in line with local and regional targets. This will	Positive	N/A	

												benefit all sectors of the community equally.			
Transport allocations															
	Mills Hill Park and Ride	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	In line with policy A13, This would create an area of parking near to a railway station, promoting the use of sustainable modes of transport. It is considered that this will be of benefit to all equally.	Positive	N/A	
	Newhey Park and Ride	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	In line with policy A13, This would create an area of parking near to a tram station, promoting the use of sustainable modes of transport. It is considered that this will be of benefit to all equally.	Positive	N/A	
	Potential East Lancs Railway (ELR) station sites, Heywood	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This allocation would increase the capacity of a recreational facility, something that would be of equal benefit to all.	Positive	N/A	
	Potential ELR station sites, Castleton	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This allocation would increase the capacity of a recreational facility, something that would be of equal benefit to all.	Positive	N/A	
	Kingsway Park and Ride	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	In line with policy A13, This would create an area of parking near to a tram station, promoting the use of sustainable modes of transport. It is considered that this will be of benefit to all equally.	Positive	N/A	
	Smithybridge Station Park and Ride	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	In line with policy A13, This would create an area of parking near to a railway station, promoting the use of sustainable modes of transport. It is considered that this will be of benefit to all equally.	Positive	N/A	
	Stakehill Industrial	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This allocation would promote sustainable freight transport and help reduce carbon	Positive	N/A	

	Estate – possible railfreight terminal site										emissions, something which will benefit all sectors of the community.			
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4 Conclusions

- 4.1 In terms of the policies contained within the draft Plan, these were found to be generally positive, and this is perhaps not surprising given their strategic nature. In some instances however they were found to be very positive and in a couple of instances neutral. In particular, some of the policies emphasise the importance of improving accessibility of new development in particular in terms of various modes of transport, potentially having a positive impact for the elderly, disabled and people who are pregnant. The allocations tended to be positive rather than very positive, due to uncertainties in the details which cannot be addressed at this stage or with this assessment.
- 4.2 No policies or sections of the draft Plan were found to have negative impacts on equality or significant adverse impact and therefore the further EqIA stages are not considered to be necessary.
- 4.3 The completed EqIA screening assessment will be made publically available alongside the draft Plan at consultation stage.

Appendix 2: Archaeological Assessment

EMPLOYMENT ALLOCATIONS

- Site of former Liquid Rock nightclub, Rochdale OL16 1PG: no HERs within site, 16th century grammar school site nearby. Site of Globe Works on 1851 map with open space and some housing. Close to historic core (near Church Lane). Industrial archaeological interest and potential for earlier remains. Requires DBA and probably evaluation trenching/excavation. Could be dealt with through planning condition with DBA up front.
- Waterfold Farm, Heap Bridge, Heywood BL9 7BQ: no HERs within site. No apparent archaeological interest
- Hanson Street, Middleton M24 2HD: no HERs within site. Spring Vale Works on 1848 OS map on opposite side of river Irk but has spread across to occupy allocation site by 1892, with filter beds on west side. Industrial archaeological interest. Requires DBA and probably evaluation trenching/excavation. Could be dealt with through planning condition with DBA up front.
- Canal Basin, Oldham Road, Rochdale OL11 1LF: HER 5152 site of Victoria Mill within proposal site. Mid-19th century spinning mill with high below-ground archaeological potential, HER 5151 Norwich Mill Grade 2, textile mill dating to 1860, partly within the site. Poor condition and burnt out shell in proposal area. Site borders important canal heritage (Rochdale Branch Canal and Rochdale Canal) and landscape, with Grade 2 listed Lock 50 of c 1800 date opposite the site. 'A varied group of mill buildings in an important setting on the canal side. The substantial remains illustrate the quality of large mill building at a time when the cotton industry was booming' (LB description). Requires DBA and Heritage Statement including analysis of setting impact, to justify any loss to the listed building. Below ground archaeology needs to be tested through evaluation trenching, informed by DBA. Possible more detailed excavation to follow.

TRANSPORT ALLOCATIONS

- Mills Hill Park and Ride: One HER site plus one house on 1848 map in north-west corner of northern site and some mid- to late 19th century workers' housing. The HER entry is for the early 20th century Don Mill, now built over by industrial unit. Could be dealt with through planning condition with DBA up front.
- Newhey Park and Ride: No HERs within site. Site of quarry and brick works dating to second half of 19th century. Industrial archaeological interest with good potential for below-ground

archaeology. Two Grade 2 listed buildings lie close to the site: St Thomas's Church to the west (late 19th century) and Bradley Farm to north (early 17th century). Will require DBA for archaeological interest and probably evaluation trenching and excavation. Could be dealt with through planning condition with DBA up front. May also require setting impact study for the listed buildings.

- Potential ELR station sites – Heywood:
- Castleton Park and Ride: no HERs within sites. No apparent archaeological interest (the same for East Lancs Railway sites at Pilsworth Road and Wolsey Street).
- Kingsway Park and Ride: Four HERs within proposal area. These relate to tracks, a Roman road alignment, a field boundary and a stone bridge, all identified as part of the Kingsway development scheme in a desk based assessment prepared in 2004. Much of this archaeology will have been looked at as part of the Kingsway Business Park scheme, but an updated DBA should be prepared to make sure there are no outstanding archaeological interests. Could be dealt with through planning condition with DBA up front.
- Smithybridge Station Park and Ride: One HER within site but this appears to have been wrongly located. Southern half of site has no archaeological interest as recent earth moving will have removed any interest. However, the northern half of the site has a house present on the 1848 map, and by 1892 there is a coal pit, chimney and cottage, with the 1907 map showing a pumping station. Archaeological interest present in northern half and Will require DBA for archaeological interest and probably evaluation trenching and excavation. Ideally this should be done up front as coal workings could have an impact on proposals.
- Stakehill Industrial Estate – possible rail freight terminal site: No HERs within site. Historic mapping shows two 19th century farm sites on east side of railway, whilst on the west side were a brickworks (second half of 19th century) in the south-west corner and a lock-keepers cottage in the north-west part of the site. Will require DBA for archaeological interest and probably evaluation trenching and excavation. Could be dealt with through planning condition with DBA up front.

HOUSING ALLOCATIONS

- Drake Street East, Rochdale: This land relates to part of Rochdale's historic town core, with potential for medieval to industrial period remains, together with a range of historic buildings surviving. An archaeological desk based assessment will be required together with a built heritage statement incorporating an assessment of the historic buildings, setting, significance and impact. Based on the Rochdale Riverside archaeological work, it can be anticipated that there will be extensive below-ground remains requiring investigation. The assessment work needs to be done at an early stage to inform design, impact on heritage interests and potential costs for mitigation. Historic England are carrying out research for the Heritage Action Zone for Rochdale Town Centre which includes much of this area (?) and are scheduled to consult GMAAS and the Historic Environment Record. This will identify at an early stage the nature of the designated and non-designated heritage assets and appropriate further mitigation.
- Castelton Sidings: Two HERs within site: site of a farmstead and a ford. No evidence for latter today and the farm site was archaeologically evaluated a few years ago and found to have no surviving remains. No archaeological implications.
- Mutual Mills: Two HERs relating to the Grade 2 Listed Mutual Mills, HER Nos 5073 for No. 3 Mill and 5107 for Nos. 1 and 2 Mills. An important group of late 19th and early 20th century mills all operated by the same company. The use of the same basic design for all 3 mills produces a dramatic architectural effect and emphasises the importance of a consistent architectural imprint as a company emblem. Generally in poor condition. Requires detailed historic building survey and heritage statement at an early stage in the planning process. Specialist advice available from Historic England.
- Lower Falinge Masterplan area: HER 5133 Vale Mills of early 19th century origin when two mills shown including a woollen mill, cotton spinning and waste by end of 19th century. One mill demolished. Good archaeological potential for below-ground remains and historic fabric of extant mill. HER 13404 Robert Street warehouse dates to the late 18th century with early 19th century additions. Demolished but below-ground archaeological potential. HER 16752 Portland Yard early workers' housing with archaeological potential. HER 5573 Town Head early 19th century house, grade 2 listed. Several HERs relate to the sites of chapels, mills and workers' housing to the south of the study area, which have recently been investigated archaeologically as part of the Rochdale Riverside development scheme. HER 11601 is for a grade 2 listed late 18th century house at 128 Yorkshire Street. On either side of it are HERs 16753 and 16754 late 19th century terrace houses of local historic interest. HERs 16756 is for the site of early 19th century workers' housing. An archaeological desk based assessment will be required together with a built heritage statement incorporating an assessment of the

historic buildings, setting, significance and impact. Based on the Rochdale Riverside archaeological work, it can be anticipated that there will be extensive below-ground remains requiring investigation. The assessment work needs to be done at an early stage to inform design, impact on heritage interests and potential costs for mitigation.

- South Heywood: Archaeological database already undertaken (by Orion Heritage). A scheme of archaeological works will be required including evaluation historic building survey and possible excavation and palaeo-environmental analysis, but these can be undertaken through a condition applied to consent. GMAAS have already been consulted by the archaeology consultant on the new link road which is the first phase, and for this particular part of the development we agree that no further archaeological works are required.
- Drake Street West: Two listed buildings are within this area. HER 10418 Grade 2 listed former Sunday School of 1829 and HER 11558 Grade 2 listed early 19th century former house. This area appears to be a well-preserved early 19th century development of Rochdale (stimulated by the canal basin?) and needs a desk based assessment to identify non-designated heritage assets and provide an understanding of the historic development of this area. There is an opportunity to identify and preserve the essential historic character of this area. Presumably Historic England will be advising on this, but GMAAS would anticipate a programme of more detailed historic building survey coming out of the assessment.

Appendix 3: Assessment tables - policies

++	+	N / NA	-	--
Strongly positive	Positive	Neutral / not applicable	Negative	Strongly negative

Policies AL/1 – AL/2 – Employment policies

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of	+	+	+	D	P	Local	This will be the case as long as jobs created are accessible and for all skill	

the borough?							levels	
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This in particular relates to the strengthening of the visitor economy expounded by the policy	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	NA	NA	NA					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce crime and the fear of crime?	N	+	+				This relates to if there is increased employment and prosperity	
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as	++	++	++	I	P	Local	This relates to the strategic objective of improving the borough's image to attract investment	

well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?								
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is reduced?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This is not a direct impact but would be an impact in association with other relevant policies	
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Transport links are a big issue, especially taking into account the issue of shift patterns	Examine the policies further to determine if they can introduce a stronger relationship with sustainable transport
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See above	See above

transport, walking and cycling?								
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See above	See above
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	NA	NA	NA					
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	NA	NA	NA					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon	N	N	N				This must be assessed carefully against the relevant policies	

emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?								
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	D	P		There should be more emphasis on 'diversity' in the policy, in terms of diversifying the local economy	The issue of diversification of the economy should be specifically referenced in the Plan policies
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	++	++	++	D	P			
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	++	++	++	D	P			
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	++	++	++	D	P			
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	++	++	++	D	P			

Policies AL/3 to AL/5 – Retail policies

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This is positive particularly in terms of the proposed restrictions on hot food takeaways	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See above	
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	+	++	++	I	P	Local	This positive relationship is particularly in terms of the	

crime and the fear of crime?							vitality of town centres and the encouragement of the nighttime economy	
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	NA	NA	NA					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is reduced?	NA	NA	NA					

2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	++	++	D	P	Local	This is positive because of the emphasis on sustainable locations	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	++	++	D	P	Local	See above	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	NA	NA	NA					
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the	N	N	N					

historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	NA	NA	NA					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	++	++	D	P	Local	Sustainable locations	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	++	++	D	P	Local		
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	N	N	N					
3C: Will the Plan help improve the	++	++	++	D	P	Local		

performance of town centres?								
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	+	++	++	D	P	Local		
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	+	++	++	D	P	Local		

Policy AL/6 – Sites Allocated for Residential Development

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	N	N	N				This detail is not specified in the policy	None – these matters of detail are set out in the Core Strategy policies
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	NA	NA	NA					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	N	N	N				This is dependent upon how the individual sites are developed	
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	NA	NA	NA					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	NA	NA	NA					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	NA	NA	NA					
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	NA	NA	NA					
2I: Will the Plan	NA	NA	NA					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	NA	NA	NA					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	NA	NA	NA					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	NA	NA	NA					
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	N	N	N				This depends on the situation	

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	+	++	++	I	P	Local	This would be positive because the housing will help to deliver economic growth and the residential element proposed for town centres	
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	++	N	N	D	T	Local, wider	This would be in respect of construction jobs. It is noted that the policy refers to economic growth.	
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	+	N	N	I	T	Local, wider		

Policy AL/7 – Green Network

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	Greater accessibility to green spaces	
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	Greater accessibility to recreational green spaces	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	Greater accessibility to recreational green spaces	
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	NA	NA	NA					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	There is no mention of woodland planting.	The policy should refer to opportunities for woodland planting
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	++	++	++	D	P	Local, wider		

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	++	D	P	Local		
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	++	I	P	Local		
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	+	++	++	D	P	Local, wider		
2I: Will the Plan	+	+	+	I	P	Local		

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local, wider		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	+	+	+	I	P	Local		

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	NA	NA	NA					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	NA	NA	NA					

Policies AL/8 and AL/9 – Formal Sports Pitches and Local Urban Open Spaces

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	The policy will help provide local open spaces of benefit to communities	
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	+	+	+	I	P	Local		

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, wider	The policy on urban open spaces does not specifically mention accessibility or hierarchy of value	The policy should be reviewed to ensure that these issues are addressed
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	+	+	+	D	P	Local, wider		

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	+	++	++	D	P	Local		
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	++	++	D	P	Local		
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	++	++	I	P	Local		
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2I: Will the Plan	+	+	+	I	P	Local		

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local, wider		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	NA	NA	NA					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	NA	NA	NA					

Policy AL/10 – Allotments

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	+	+	I	P	Local	This is something that would improve gradually and is therefore more long term	
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N				Quality and accessibility should be emphasised	Review the policy accordingly
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This may be relevant in respect of some of the sites, such as Kellett Street adjacent to the River Roch	

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	NA	NA	NA					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Wider	This positive relates to potential reduction in the need for food transport	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		

2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	NA	NA	NA					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	I	P	Wider		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify	N	N	N					

the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	NA	NA	NA					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	NA	NA	NA					

Policy AL/11 – Mandale Park

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	Park is underused and unwelcoming at the moment	
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	N	N	N					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		

1F: Will the Plan further reduce crime and the fear of crime?	+	++	++	D	P	Local	Park is underused and unwelcoming at the moment	
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in	N	N	N					

flooding and that flood risk is reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	N	N	N					
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological	+	+	++	D	P	Local		

network?								
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	N	N	N					
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

help to diversify the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Policy AL/12 – Areas safeguarded for Flood Risk Management

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	NA	NA	NA					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	NA	NA	NA					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	NA	NA	NA					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	++	++	++	D	P	Local	It was suggested that there could be more detailed guidance in terms of SuDS	Review the policy in respect of the inclusion of guidance in terms of SuDS

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	NA	NA	NA					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	NA	NA	NA					
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	NA	NA	NA					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	N	N	N					
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	NA	NA	NA					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	NA	NA	NA					

Policy AL/13 – Biodiversity and New Development

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Plan is likely to lead to more and better quality open spaces	
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	++	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	+	++	++	D	P	Local		
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Plan is likely to lead to more and better quality open spaces	

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	NA	NA	NA					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	NA	NA	NA					
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, GM, wider		
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	The new and improved greenspaces will help in this matter.	
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	+	+	++	I	P	Local		
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	New and improved greenspaces will help in this matter	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This policy will probably lead to new and improved greenspaces, enhancing the environment of the borough and thus encouraging the visitor economy and inward	

							investment.	
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	NA	NA	NA					
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Policy AL/14 – Areas Safeguarded for Wind Energy Development

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	NA	NA	NA					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	NA	NA	NA					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	N	N	N					
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	NA	NA	NA					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	NA	NA	NA					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	NA	NA	NA					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	-	-	-	I	T	Local, wider	The construction of wind turbines can lead to a temporary increase in heavy goods vehicles causing significant disruption	This is an issue for policy rather than allocations, particularly policy G3 of the Core Strategy, (as well as Highways legislation) and the policy already makes it clear that proposals must be compliant with G3 as well as the Ministerial Statement, so no further changes to the Allocations Plan policy are

								necessary
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	Wind turbine construction can be damaging to biodiversity in certain situations	This is an issue for policy rather than allocations, particularly policy G3 of the Core Strategy, and the policy already makes it clear that proposals must be compliant with G3 as well as the Ministerial Statement, so no further changes to the Allocations Plan policy are necessary
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	Wind turbines can be detrimental to heritage assets in certain situations	See above
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	-	-	-	I	P	Local, wider	Wind turbines can be detrimental to landscape character and quality	See above
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	Turbine construction might be detrimental to soil quality in certain circumstances	See above
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon	++	++	++	D	P	Local, GM, wider		

emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?								
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	local		
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	+	+	+	I	T	Local, wider		
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	+	+	+	I	T	Local, wider		

Policy AL/15 – Defined Urban Area

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	N	N	N					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	The policy aims to support urban regeneration and protect the countryside	
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	Containing the urban area will mean that green space is likely to be closer to where people live than it otherwise would be.	
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Containing the spread of the urban area	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2I: Will the Plan	+	+	+	I	P	Local		

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	++	I	P	Local, GM, wider	Containing the urban area should reduce the distances travelled between homes / work / shops etc.	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Regeneration of the urban area and protecting the countryside should help encourage the visitor economy and help attract inward investment	
3B: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

help to diversify the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Policies AL/16 to AL/22 – Transport policies

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		

1F: Will the Plan further reduce crime and the fear of crime?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in	N	N	N					

flooding and that flood risk is reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, GM, wider		
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, GM, wider		
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological	N	N	N					

network?								
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	NA	NA	NA					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, GM, wider		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Reducing traffic congestion can help improve economic performance and attraction of the borough	

							for investment	
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See above	
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See above	
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See above	
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Appendix 4: Employment Sites Assessment Table

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N				In central located sites there would probably be a positive impact on this objective	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	+	+	+	I	P		This is location dependant: could be	

crime and the fear of crime?							positive in some locations, neutral in others	
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that	N	N	N					

flood risk is reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local, wider		
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	-	-	-	I	P	Local, wider	Increased employment development is likely to lead to increased traffic generation; this should be managed to ensure it does not become detrimental to the local economy and thus counter productive	It is recommended that the sites which are poorly accessible by public transport are restricted to their existing use classes only.

2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	-	-	-	I	P	Local, wider	Increased development may have an impact on biodiversity	This is a matter for policy to be addressed at planning application stage
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global	-	-	-	I	P/T	Local, wider	See 2G above	See 2G above

targets?								
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	NA	NA	NA					
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		

Appendix 5: Housing Sites Assessment Tables

South Heywood

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	This is dependent on the final plans	
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	This is dependent on the final plans	
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan	N	N	N					

help to reduce childhood obesity?								
1F: Will the Plan further reduce crime and the fear of crime?	N	N	N					
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	This is dependent on final plans, however it is likely that there will be a new school, open spaces, local centre etc providing something of a self-contained community	
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	Given that this would be a greenfield site in Green Belt it is difficult to see how there would be other than a negative impact on this issue	Quality green space can be provided on site and public transport improvements / travel plan can reduce the impact on climate change
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development	N	N	N					

does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	As part of the planning agreement there will be significant public transport infrastructure created in the development	
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	Given it location there is likely to be significant car use generated, however as part of the scheme a new road will reduce heavy goods traffic	Ensure that the new road comes forward as part of the proposals

							through Heywood	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	This is likely to be partly mitigated through the adoption of 'biodiversity net gain' measures	Ensure that 'biodiversity net gain' takes place
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	This development is likely to have a significant impact upon the landscape character of the area	Reduce the impact as much as possible through design
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	This impact results from the greenfield / agricultural nature of the location	
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to	-	-	-	I	P	Local, wider	This is resultant of the location of the proposed development	Public transport improvements and travel plan

national and global targets?								
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This is due to the provision, potentially, of an improved housing mix	
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	N	N	N					
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	+	+	+				This is due to the provision, potentially, of an improved housing mix	

Sites south of Heywood Town Centre

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	++	++	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	++	++	D	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	+	++	++	I	P	Local	Reduction in crime is attributed to	

crime and the fear of crime?							regeneration of the area	
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	The proximity to the town centre and other services, and also the proximity to public transport will assist in meeting this objective	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	This is due to the proximity of the sites to shops, services and public transport	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological	N	N	N					

network?								
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Building on these sites will take pressure off greenfield sites	
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	I	P	Local, GM, wider	This is because of the proximity to public transport and other services	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Improving the town and its image will be beneficial in this respect	
3B: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

help to diversify the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Mutual Mills

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Is likely to be mostly flats	
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	The site is within walking distance of shops / services / open spaces	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	The site is within walking distance of shops / services / open spaces	
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This is through the benefit of regeneration	

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Is accessible to green space	
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Proximity to shops, services etc	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Proximity to shops, services etc	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	++	++	++	D	P	Local	This will help to protect	

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?							the historic listed buildings	
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	This will help to protect the historic listed buildings	
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	I	P	Local, GM, wider	Re-use of buildings, proximity to shops and services and public transport	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	Loss of employment space	This will be mitigated by the employment allocations in the Plan in better locations
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Close to town centre location	
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	Loss of employment space	This will be mitigated by the employment allocations in the Plan in better locations
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

British Vita

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	N	N	N					
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	-	-	-	D	P	Local	Some of the land in question is in flood zones 2 and 3	Ensure that the land to either side of the River Irk, which is in flood zones 2 and 3, is left undeveloped and design in any other flood risk mitigation measures as appropriate

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	++	I	P	Local	This is because of the proximity of the site to the railway station at Mills Hill	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	++	I	P	Local	This is because of the proximity of the site to the railway station at Mills Hill	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological	N	N	N					

network?								
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This is because of the proximity of the site to the railway station at Mills Hill	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	-	-	-	I	T	Local	This is because of the loss of employment land	The implementation of the employment land allocations / policy will ensure that there is sufficient employment land available in the area

3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	NA	NA	NA					
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	-	-	-	I	T	Local	This is because of the loss of employment land	The implementation of the employment land allocations / policy will ensure that there is sufficient employment land available in the area
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Land west of Hollin Lane

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This is because of proximity to public transport	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This is because of proximity to public transport	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	-	-	-	I	T	Local	This is because of the greenfield nature of the site	Biodiversity net gain should be required

2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	This is because of the greenfield nature of the site	Impact on landscape should be minimised through design
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	This is because of the greenfield nature of the site	Impact should be minimised through design
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	-	-	-	I	T	Local, wider	This is because of the greenfield nature of the site	Travel plan / improvements to public transport
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify	N	N	N					

the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Langley Lane / Hollin Lane

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	-	-	-	I	T	Local	This is a large greenfield site	A travel plan and improvements to public transport should be part of any proposals
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	N	N	N					
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	N	N	N					
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	NA	NA	NA					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	NA	NA	NA					

Land at Keswick Close

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	N	N	N					
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	This land is currently open space	Planning obligation to secure improvements to other open space in the vicinity
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This site is close to public transport and local services	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This site is close to public transport and local services	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					

2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	-	-	-				This land is currently open space	Planning obligation to secure improvements to other open space in the vicinity
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify	NA	NA	NA					

the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Warwick Mill

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Likely to be mostly upmarket apartments	
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Walking distance to town centre and services	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Walking distance to town centre and services	
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Will bring more vitality to the town centre,	

crime and the fear of crime?							especially at night	
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Likely to be mostly upmarket apartments	
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	NA	NA	NA					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	-	-	-	I	T	Local	The building in question is in a flood risk area	It should be possible to incorporate features into the design to ensure that risk to people and property is minimised

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Close to town centre shops and services and public transport hub	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Close to town centre shops and services and public transport hub	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					

2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Protection of a listed building	
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Protection of a listed building which contributes significantly to the townscape character	
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	I	P	Local, GM, wider	Close to shops and services and public transport hub	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	++	I	P	Local	Improvement of the town centre	
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify	NA	NA	NA					

the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Building is situated on the edge of the town centre	
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	+	+	++	I	P	Local	Improvement to the town centre will result in job creation	
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Land at Dyehouse Lane

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	N	N	N					
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	--	--	--	D	T	Local	A substantial part of the site is in flood zone 3	The layout should take into consideration avoiding building on the areas which are flood zones 2 and 3

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	N	N	N					
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	N	N	N					
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	Loss of employment land	The implementation of the employment land allocations / policy will ensure that there is sufficient employment land available in the area
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify	NA	NA	NA					

the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	Loss of employment land	The implementation of the employment land allocations / policy will ensure that there is sufficient employment land available in the area
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	Loss of employment land	The implementation of the employment land allocations / policy will ensure that there is sufficient employment land available in the area

Former Akzo Nobel

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	N	N	N					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Close to town centre and recreation	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Close to town centre and recreation	
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	Site is adjacent to canal, currently derelict	
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	Quality greenspace is easily accessible from this site	
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Site is walking distance from town centre shops and services	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Site is walking distance from town centre shops and services	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Development will help to improve environment of canal and natural habitats	

2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Site is former chemical works	
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local, GM, wider	Site is close to town centre shops and services	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify	N	N	N					

the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Site is close to town centre	
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

New Road, Littleborough

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	This is a greenfield site	It is important that , as part of the development, improvements to nearby open spaces are secured
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	--	--	--	D	P	Local	Main concerns are traffic generation and effect on ecology	It is important that , as part of the development, improvements to nearby open spaces are secured
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	--	--	--	D	P	Local	Areas of the site are flood zones 2 and 3	High flood risk areas should be left undeveloped

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	Main concern is traffic generation	Travel Plan / improvements to public transport
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	Main concern is traffic generation	Travel Plan / improvements to public transport
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	--	--	--	I	P	Local	Main concern is traffic generation	Travel Plan / improvements to public transport
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	Impact on biodiversity	Biodiversity net gain should be sought
2I: Will the Plan	-	-	-	D	P	Local	Greenfield location	Layout / design must be

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?							adjacent to existing settlement / listed building	sensitive to location
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	Main concern is traffic generation	Travel Plan / improvements to public transport
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	N	N	N					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Lower Falinge Masterplan area

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	There are concerns that the plan will displace communities and lead to a shortage of 1 bed properties	It is important that the plan takes into account the need to keep communities together and ensure that there is not a shortage of 1 bed properties
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	The main aim of the plan is to do this	
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	There is concern there will be a shortage of 1 bed properties	The tenure mix must be that which meets demand
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	++	++	++	D	P	Local	The improvement of the area will hopefully lead to	

crime and the fear of crime?							a reduction in crime	
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		Access top town centre needs to be improved
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	N	N	N					
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	N	N	N					
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Former Dunlop Works

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	N	N	N					
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Carcraft Site

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	N	N	N					
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Proximity to Castelton centre shops and services	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Proximity to Castelton centre shops and services	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local, GM, wider	Proximity to Castleton centre shops and services	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	Loss of employment land	This will be mitigated by the employment allocations in the Plan in better locations
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Trub (west of canal)

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	N	N	N					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	There was concern about the impact on local services and that it may be contaminated land.	Any planning decisions should consider s106 contributions to local services and remediation works as appropriate.
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N				There was concern about the impact on the canal	The impact on the canal will be further assessed in the Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) which will accompany the draft Plan.
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that	N	N	N					

flood risk is reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	N	N	N					
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					

2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	N	N	N					
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify	NA	NA	NA					

the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Land at Newchurch Street

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	N	N	N					
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Near bus routes, railway station	
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Near bus routes, railway station	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Near bus routes, railway station	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	N	N	N					
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Central Retail Park

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	++	D	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Within walking distance of town centre, services, railway station etc	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Within walking distance of town centre, services, railway station etc	
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Would revitalise what is currently a largely	

crime and the fear of crime?							derelict site	
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	See above	
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Within walking distance of town centre, services, railway station, tram stop, etc	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Within walking distance of town centre, services, railway station, tram stop, etc	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological	N	N	N					

network?								
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan	NA	NA	NA					

help to diversify the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	The site is currently an employment allocation	This will be mitigated by the employment allocations in the Plan in better locations
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Former Dexine Rubber Co.

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This is because of the location	
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This is quite a sustainable brownfield location	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Development of this site	

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?							will enhance a Conservation Area and several buildings of local interest which will be preserved	
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Development of this site will enhance a Conservation Area and several buildings of local interest which will be preserved	
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	NA	NA	NA					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local, wider	This is quite a sustainable brownfield location	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Riverside Phase 2

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	+	+	++	D	P	Local	The housing would bring vitality and activity to the	

crime and the fear of crime?							town centre, especially in the evening	
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	There is no green space in the vicinity	Improvements should be made to nearby greenspace and good accessibility will be important. Ideally new green space should be provided.
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	-	-	-	I	P	Local	This is near to a high flood risk area.	Any necessary flood risk mitigation measures should be put in place

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Very sustainable town centre location, close to services, public transport etc	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Very sustainable town centre location, close to services, public transport etc	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological	N	N	N					

network?								
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This will come about through improvements to the town centre	
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	This will come about through improvements to the town centre	
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	NA	NA	NA					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	++	I	P	Local, wider	Very sustainable location	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	There will be a boost to the town centre regeneration	
3B: Will the Plan	NA	NA	NA					

help to diversify the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Castleton Sidings

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	N	N	N					
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	N	N	N					
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	N	N	N					
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	-	-	-	I	P	Local	This is a site which may have some biodiversity value (see below)	
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	N	N	N					
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Close to railway station	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Close to railway station	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	--	--	--	D	P	Local	There is some evidence to suggest that this site is fairly high in biodiversity value.	An ecological assessment needs to be made and space provided to retain the biodiversity value. Biodiversity net gain should be achieved.
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	See above	
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	+	+	I	P	Local, wider	This is a sustainable location close to shops / services and railway station	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	N	N	N					
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	NA	NA	NA					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	NA	NA	NA					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Appendix 6: Transport Allocations Assessment Tables

Mills Hill Park and Ride

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Will promote sustainable transport	
1E: Would the Plan	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Will promote sustainable	

help to reduce childhood obesity?							transport	
1F: Will the Plan further reduce crime and the fear of crime?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development	N	N	N					

does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Will promote the use of public transport	
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, GM		
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the	N	N	N					

borough, including an ecological network?								
2I: Will the Plan protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?	N	N	N					
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	+	++	++	D	P	Local, wider		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local	+	+	+	I	P	Local		

economy?								
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural economy?	N	N	N					
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Newhey Park and Ride

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Will promote sustainable transport	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	+	+	+	I	P	Local		

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Will promote sustainable transport	
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Will promote sustainable transport	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, GM		
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	-	-	-	D	P	Local	There is some biodiversity interest on the site	The park and ride should be located away from the biodiversity interest
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	I	P	Local, wider		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	N	N	N					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Potential ELR station sites – Heywood

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	D	P	Local	Can potentially provide an uplift to a deprived area	
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Can promote walking to the station as an alternative to car use	
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Can promote walking to the station as an alternative to car use	
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	NA	NA	NA					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	The idea is to promote sustainable transport	
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	See above	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	See above	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, wider	Promoting use of more sustainable transport mode	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	++	++	++	I	P	Local	Better transport links will make the area more attractive to live / work	
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	N	N	N					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See 3A above	
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See 3A above	

Potential ELR station sites – Castleton

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Can give an uplift to a deprived area	
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	D	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	The aim is to promote the use of a sustainable form of transport	
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	See above	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	See above	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, wider	This will promote a more sustainable form of transport	
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	++	++	I	P	Local	Better transport choices will make the area more attractive to live / work	
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	N	N	N					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See 3A above	
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	See 3A above	

Kingsway Park and Ride

Objective	Assessment			Majority of effects are: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Majority of effects are Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)	Spatial consideration: Local, GM, wider	Comments	Mitigation
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term					
1A: Will the Plan create decent, energy efficient housing with a choice of location, size and tenure?	NA	NA	NA					
1B: Will the Plan improve the deprived areas of the borough?	N	N	N					
1C: Will the Plan improve the housing mix?	NA	NA	NA					
1D: Will the Plan improve levels of physical activity / health levels in adults?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1E: Would the Plan help to reduce childhood obesity?	+	+	+	I	P	Local		
1F: Will the Plan further reduce	N	N	N					

crime and the fear of crime?								
2A: Would the Plan improve the overall quality of development in the borough and promote a more appropriate mix of land uses?	++	++	++	I	P	Local		
2B: Will the Plan improve the environment around the canal?	N	N	N					
2C: Will the Plan improve access to quality green space to support health and wellbeing as well as economic growth and regeneration and to help tackle the effects of climate change?	N	N	N					
2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	This will promote sustainable transport	
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	See above	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	See above	
2H: Will the Plan help to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the borough, including an ecological network?	N	N	N					
2I: Will the Plan	N	N	N					

protect and enhance the historical, cultural and archaeological heritage of the Borough?								
2J: Will the Plan conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality, and local distinctiveness?	N	N	N					
2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, wider		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	++	++	I	P	Local	Better transport connections / choices make the area a place more desirable to live / work	
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify	N	N	N					

the rural economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	+	++	++	I	P	Local	See 3A above	
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	+	++	++	I	P	Local	See 3A above	

Smithybridge Station Park and Ride

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2D: Will the Plan help ensure that new development does not lead to an increase in flooding and that flood risk is	N	N	N					

reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	This will promote a more sustainable mode of transport	
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	See above	
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	See above	
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2K: Will the Plan conserve soil resources and quality and geodiversity?	N	N	N					
2L: Will the Plan help to reduce local carbon emissions and energy use, contributing to national and global targets?	++	++	++	I	P	Local, wider		
3A: Will the Plan help to diversify the local economy?	+	+	+	I	P	Local	Better transport choices will boost the local economy	
3B: Will the Plan help to diversify the rural	N	N	N					

economy?								
3C: Will the Plan help improve the performance of town centres?	N	N	N					
3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	N	N	N					
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	N	N	N					

Stakehill Industrial Estate – possible railfreight terminal site

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reduced?								
2E: Will the Plan contribute towards an affordable, sustainable, reliable, accessible and integrated transport network that serves its communities and supports social inclusion and the regeneration of the local economy?	++	++	++	D	P	Local	Will promote more sustainable freight transport	
2F: Will the Plan promote high quality, viable alternatives to using the car, including public transport, walking and cycling?	N	N	N					
2G: Will the Plan reduce traffic?	++	++	++	D	P	Local, GM, wider	See 2E above	
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3D: Will the Plan promote job creation through allocations?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		
3E: Will the Plan help improve the skills base?	+	+	+	D	P	Local		