

## Policy DS20

The Plan will be reviewed (either wholly or partially) prior to the end of the Plan Period in the event of one or more of the following circumstances arising: -

- a) Through the Duty to Co-operate, it is necessary to accommodate the development needs of another local authority area within the District and these development needs cannot be accommodated within the Local Plan's existing Strategy
- b) Updated evidence or changes to national policy suggest that the overall development strategy should be significantly changed
- c) The monitoring of the Local Plan ([in line with the Delivery and Monitoring Activities Section and](#) particularly the monitoring of housing delivery) demonstrates that the overall development strategy or the policies are not delivering the Local Plan's objectives and requirements
- d) development and growth pressures arising from the specific circumstances in the area to the south of Coventry (as identified in Policy DS New 1)
- e) Any other reasons that render the Plan, or part of it, significantly out of date
- f) [In any event the Council will undertake a comprehensive review of national policy, the regional context, updates to the evidence base and monitoring data before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 to assess whether a full or partial review of the Plan is required. In the event that a review is required, work on it will commence immediately.](#)

## Explanation

2.82 In the event that the Plan as a whole or a key part of it becomes out of date, it will be necessary to undertake a full or partial review of the Plan. There are a number of factors that could render the Plan out of date:

- a) The Coventry and Warwickshire Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) may need to be updated to reflect changing circumstances and evidence. In the event that a new or revised Memorandum of Understanding would require substantive revisions to the Local Plan proposals, then a partial or full review is likely to be necessary. However a new or revised MOU will not necessarily require a review of the Plan where the changes can be accommodated within the Plan's Strategy.
- b) National planning guidance is clear that updated evidence (such as new national household projections) will not necessarily render the Plan out of date. However where evidence signals a substantial and sustained change to the context of the Local Plan, this will trigger a review (partial or whole) of it.
- c) The delivery of the Local Plan's objectives, including the overall annual housing requirement will be closely monitored. Where the Plan's proposals and policies are clearly failing to

deliver the Plan's overall strategy and objectives (for instance where there is clear evidence over a sustained period that housing delivery is failing to deliver the Plan's overall housing requirement), the Plan will require a review.

2.82a To ensure the Plan remains up to date and relevant, the Council is committed to undertaking a comprehensive review of national policy, the regional context, updated evidence and monitoring data. The outcomes of this review will be report to the Council before the end of March 2021 with a clearly justified recommendation as to whether a partial or comprehensive review of the Plan is required.

2.82b During this period to 2021, the Council will also continue to work with other Councils in Coventry and Warwickshire to consider whether a statutory Single Spatial Strategy should be prepared to cover a wider area than the District. In the event that the Council takes part in preparing a statutory Single Spatial Strategy, this will constitute a review of the Local Plan in accordance with this Policy.

2.83 Policy DS NEW1 indicates that a partial review of the Local Plan will be undertaken within five years of the adoption of the plan, to address specific circumstances in the area to the south of Coventry. This proposed partial review will be undertaken in any event.