

# **Warwick District Council**

## Local Development Scheme 2021

## What is a Local Development Scheme?

- 1.1 This Local Development Scheme (LDS) has been prepared to give the local community and all interested parties information on:
- the current planning policies that are being used for deciding applications within Warwick District; and,
  - the programme for reviewing these policies.
- 1.2 The Council is required to produce a LDS under the terms of the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The LDS is a three-year programme of work and is reviewed regularly.
- 1.3 The Government is committed to seeing LDS's implemented and in particular to ensure the milestones set out are achieved. The Council will ensure that these targets are met through good project management and annual monitoring.

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- 1.4 Development Services, a department within the Council, has prepared this LDS. The overall project manager is the Head of Development Services. Day to day management of the LDS will be by the Business Manager, Policy & Delivery. In producing this LDS, the Council is committed to the following:
- to make the LDS as clear as possible to understand; and,
  - to publish the LDS on the Council's web site.
- 1.5 There are a number of commitments within the Local Plan (2011-2029) to review and/or update a variety of Development Plan Documents (DPD) and Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD), and these are detailed below. These commitments are due over the life of the Plan, and therefore the LDS needs to prioritise which to bring forward first, along with bringing forward documents that arise through other need. The following documents have been produced since the adoption of the Local Plan.

Title	Details	Target	Delivery
Residential Design Guide SPD	Sets out design standards for residential developments of all sizes throughout the District (note that this may be supplemented by major site-specific design guidance)	Adoption Q3 2018	Adopted Q3 2018
Parking Standards SPD	Sets out parking standards for residential, commercial and other developments	Adoption Q3 2018	Adopted Q3 2018
Air Quality SPD	A sub-regionally produced SPD that will set out the requirements with relation to Air Quality issues	Adoption Q4 2018	Adopted Q1 2019

East of Kenilworth Development Brief SPD	Site-specific development guidance for the major housing site allocations on the East of Kenilworth	Consultation Q4 2018	Adopted Q1 2019
Public Open Space SPD	Sets out the requirements for the provision of public open space within developments	Consultation Q4 2018	Adopted Q2 2019
Custom and Self-build SPD	Sets out guidance for the provision of self-build and custom build plots and how the authority intends to ensure the meeting of the required volume of plots	Consultation Q4 2018	Adopted Q2 2019
Affordable Housing SPD	Details the requirements to meet the affordable housing needs, including housing and tenancy mixes	Adoption Q1 2020	Adopted Q3 2020
Development Contributions SPD	Guidance that sets out developer contributions, including model Section 106 agreements	Adoption Q1 2020	Adopted Q3 2020

The priorities over the next 3 years (i.e. 2021-2023) are:

Title	Details	Delivery
Canalside DPD	Identify areas for regeneration and areas for protection and to set out a framework for development, working in harmony with the adopted Canal Conservation Area	Adoption Q1 2022
Climate Change and Sustainable Buildings DPD	Sets out additional policy and requirements in relation to climate change mitigation and the development of sustainable buildings	Adoption Q4 2022
Purpose Built Student Accommodation DPD	Sets out the relevant policies for the development of purpose built student accommodation in the District	Adoption Q3 2024
South Warwickshire Plan	A strategic development document produced for South Warwickshire by the joint planning teams from Stratford District Council and Warwick District Council	Adoption Q3 2025

The anticipated delivery plan for each of these priorities can be found at the end of this document.

NB. The Health Impacts SPD previously listed in this document, will no longer be produced in that format as it is considered to be more expedient and appropriate to provide a guidance note for Development Management staff.

Existing Plans

- 2.1 This section provides an overview of the planning documents that cover Warwick District at the present time, including those prepared by other planning authorities.

#### Adopted Plans

- 2.2 The Warwick District Local Plan 2011-2029 was adopted by Warwick District Council in 2017, and is the principle document guiding planning decisions in the District.
- 2.3 Policy DS19 of the Local Plan commits the Council to “a comprehensive review of national policy, the regional context, updates to the evidence base and monitoring data before 31st March 2021 to assess whether a full or partial review of the Plan is required”. Therefore, the review work would have been programmed into the following work schedule, however, there is to be a different approach to the production of the next Plan. A note regarding the DS19 review has been added to the Council’s website.
- 2.4 A decision has been made to produce a new South Warwickshire Plan that will cover the geographic areas currently administered by Stratford District Council and Warwick District Council. This plan will decide on the strategic policies and allocations for the whole of the combined area. This work replaces the review of both of the district’s local plans and is included in the delivery plan at the end of this document to demonstrate that.
- 2.5 Warwickshire County Council is responsible for producing minerals and waste plans. These are specific topic-based Development Plan Documents (DPD) that relate to minerals extraction and dealing with waste development including the use of land for landfill and incineration. More information about these can be found at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/mwds>.

#### Neighbourhood Plans

- 2.6 Neighbourhood Plans are brought forward by local Qualifying Bodies, often Town and Parish Councils. These Plans add further local emphasis to the strategic policies of the adopted Local Plan. Following an independent Examination, Neighbourhood Plans undergo a local referendum to gauge public support. If supported the plan is ‘made’ and is used alongside the Local Plan and other relevant DPD/SPDs in determining planning applications. An up-to-date record of ‘made’ Neighbourhood Plans is maintained on our website [https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20444/neighbourhood\\_plans](https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20444/neighbourhood_plans)
- 2.7 The Royal Leamington Spa NDP and the Radford Semele NDP are both going to referendum in May this year. The Bishop’s Tachbrook NDP is progressing with the draft of the Examiner’s report now received for comment and action. The Burton Green NDP is currently subject to examination.

## Authority's Monitoring Report (AMR)

- 2.8 The Council is required to monitor both the implementation of the LDS and the extent to which its planning policies are being implemented. For the purposes of this report, the policies of the adopted Warwick District Local Plan (2011-2029) are monitored.
- 2.9 It should be noted that the AMR is not a Local Development Document (LDD) and therefore is not included within the following work-plans. The AMR will, however, be included within the LDF and be published on our website. The Infrastructure Funding Statement has been concluded and was submitted to the government department by the deadline of 31 December 2020.

## Political Management of the Local Development Framework

- 2.9 The Council's decision making arrangements are as follows.

Document	To include	To be approved by
All Development Planning Documents	Local Plan and all other DPDs that are subject to full public examination as required by the Act.	Full Council following a recommendation by Executive.
Statement of Community Involvement		Executive
Local Development Scheme		Executive
Supplementary Planning Documents	Supplementary guidance, development briefs and other documents identified in this and future LDSs as SPD.	Executive
Authority's Monitoring Report		Published on website
Custom and Self-build Progress Report		Published on website

## Contact details

- 2.10 For more information about any of the matters raised in this Local Development Scheme please contact:

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- 2.11 This document, together with all other Local Development Documents produced by Warwick District Council will be made available on the Council's website.

## Delivery Plan

Year	2021				2022				2023			
Quarter	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Canalside DPD				S		Ex		A				
Purpose Built Student Accommodation DPD								C		C		S
Climate Change and Sustainable Buildings DPD		C		C	S		Ex	A				
Health Impacts SPD												
South Warwickshire Plan*		C			C							C
Statement of Community Involvement Review				A								

### Key:

- Please note that this is an interim timescale

C = Consultation

S = Submission

Ex = Examination

A = Adoption

Production



Publication



Quarters

1 = January – March

2 = April – June

3 = July – September

4 = October – December

NB. The Health Impacts SPD is currently being considered as an advice and guidance note and will not appear in the programme in future