TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

- Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act (2004)
- Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004

NOTICE: ADOPTION STATEMENT TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT LAND ALLOCATIONS DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT

This Adoption Statement has been prepared in accordance with Regulations 24(4) and 36 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004, and gives notice that the Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council adopted its Development Land Allocations (DLA) Development Plan Document (DPD) on 22 April 2008. The DLA DPD forms part of the Tonbridge and Malling Local Development Framework (LDF) which will replace, in part, the Tonbridge and Malling Borough Local Plan 1998. The LDF forms the basis for decisions on land use and spatial planning affecting the Tonbridge & Malling Borough area for the period until 2021, and will comprise a number of DPD's. The Core Strategy was the first DPD adopted by the Council in September 2007.

The DLA DPD sets out development sites necessary to meet the needs of the Borough that are identified in general terms in the adopted Core Strategy, including housing, employment and land required for highway and transport improvements. The one exception is the central area of Tonbridge which is covered by the Tonbridge Central Area Action Plan.

The DLA DPD was considered by Laura Graham, an Independent Inspector, at an Examination in Public held on 20 and 21 November 2007. The Inspector found the DLA DPD to be sound subject to a number of changes. The Inspector's Report, with its recommendations, was published on 17 March 2008. The adopted DLA DPD incorporates the binding recommendations of the Inspector.

Any person aggrieved by the DLA DPD may make an application to the High Court under Section 113 of the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act (2004) on the grounds that the document is not within the appropriate powers and/or that a procedural requirement has not been complied with.

Any such application must be made promptly and in any event no later than 6 weeks after the day on which this Statement was adopted (i.e. by 4 June 2008).

The adopted DLA DPD, this Adoption Statement, and the Sustainability Appraisal Report (and other related DPD documents) are available for public inspection free of charge at The Council Offices at:

Gibson Building Gibson Drive Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4LZ Tonbridge Castle Tonbridge Kent TN9 1BG

Monday–Friday: Between 8.30am and 5pm Monday–Friday: Between 8.30am and 5pm

Saturday: Between 9.00am and 5pm Sunday: Between 10.30am and 5pm

These documents are also available for public inspection free of charge at all libraries in the Tonbridge & Malling Borough area. (Check with the library for opening days and opening times.) These documents can also be viewed and downloaded from the Council's website www.tmbc.gov.uk.

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