

ANNEX F

GLOSSARY AND ABBREVIATIONS

(Note: terms in *italics* are explained elsewhere in the glossary.)

Annual Monitoring Report (AMR): assesses the implementation of the *Local Development Scheme* and the extent to which policies in *Local Development Documents* are being successfully implemented.

Area Action Plan (AAP): provides a planning framework for areas of opportunity, change and conservation. Area Action Plans will have the status of *Development Plan Documents*.

Biodiversity: the whole variety of life on earth which includes all species of plants and animals, their genetic variation and the ecosystems of which they are a part.

Brownfield Land: land which is or was previously occupied by a permanent structure (excluding agricultural or forestry buildings) and associated fixed surface infrastructure and applies in both built-up and rural settings. The definition covers the curtilage of the development.

Comparison Retail: retail stores selling items not bought on a frequent basis, for example televisions and white goods (such as fridges and dishwashers). Customers often compare items and prices between several of these stores before making a purchase.

Conservation Area: an area of special architectural and/or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance.

Convenience Retail: retail stores selling everyday essential items, such as food and newspapers.

Core Strategy: sets out the long-term spatial vision for the Borough and the main strategic policies and proposals to deliver that strategy.

Development Plan: comprises the relevant *Regional Spatial Strategy* and the *Development Plan Documents* contained within the *Local Development Framework*.

Development Plan Documents (DPD): comprises spatial planning documents that form the *Development Plan* and can include a *Core Strategy*, *Site Specific Allocations of Land*, and *Area Action Plans* (where needed). Other Development Plan Documents, including generic Development Control Policies and *Supplementary Planning Documents*, can be produced.

Eco-Home: a sustainable, healthy and environmentally friendly home, using sustainable building methods, materials, energy, heating and water conservation methods.

Greenfield Land: land which has not been developed before. It applies to sites both within and outside built-up areas.

Key Diagram: a plan used to illustrate broad locations of future development and strategic policies of restraint.

Local Development Documents (LDD): the collective term for *Development Plan Documents*, *Supplementary Planning Documents*, the *Proposals Map* and the *Statement of Community Involvement*.

Local Development Framework (LDF): the portfolio of documents and policies forming the planning framework of *Local Development Documents* for delivering the spatial planning strategy.

Local Development Scheme (LDS): sets out the programme for preparing *Local Development Documents*.

Local Transport Plan: a 5-year strategy prepared for the development of local, integrated transport, supported by a programme of transport improvements. It is prepared by the County Council and used to bid to Government for funding transport improvements.

Planning Policy Statement (Guidance) (PPS/PPG): sets out the Government's national planning policies and guidance.

Preferred Options Report: identifies possible development options and the Council's preferred options as a basis for public consultation leading to the preparation of the final *Development Plan Documents*.

Proposals Map: a base map used to illustrate all the policies and proposals contained in *Development Plan Documents*, together with any saved policies. It must be revised as each new *Development Plan Document* is adopted.

Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) (Regional Planning Guidance (RPG)): sets out the Regional Planning Bodies' policies in relation to the development and use of land. It provides the context for the preparation of *Local Development Documents*.

Saved Plan: retention of the Local Plan as a "saved" plan which remains a material consideration for 3 years, or such longer period as the Secretary of State allows, as part of the *Local Development Framework*.

Site Specific Allocations: allocation of sites for specific or mixed uses, or development, to be contained in the final *Development Plan Documents*.

Statement of Community Involvement (SCI): sets out the standards with regard to involving local communities in the preparation of *Local Development Documents*.

Statement of Compliance: details how the Council has complied with the *Statement of Community Involvement*.

Strategic Environmental Assessment: an assessment of the potential impacts of policies and proposals on the environment, to include proposals for the mitigation of any impacts.

Supplementary Planning Documents (Guidance) (SPD/SPG): sets out further detail covering a range of issues, both topic and site specific, being supplementary to policies in *Development Plan Documents*.

Sustainability Appraisal: an appraisal of the impacts of policies and proposals on economic, social and environmental issues.

