

Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk Local Plan Examination

Matter 9 Statement – Monitoring and Implementation

22 DECEMBER 2022

Introduction

1. This statement is a response from the Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk Council (BCKLWN) to the following issues and questions raised by the Inspectors relating to Matter 9 of the examination into the King's Lynn and West Norfolk Local Plan relating to Monitoring and Implementation.
2. References used in this statement (e.g.[F10],[D10]) relate to documents held in the examination library as either a submission document or as part of the wider evidence base.

Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk Responses to Matter 9 Questions

Issue 9: Is the strategy for the implementation and monitoring of the Plan appropriate and robust?

Q414. Is the monitoring framework of the Plan clear and unambiguous?

Whilst the aim of the strategy for implementation and monitoring of the Plan is clearly set out in paragraphs 16.0.1 to 16.0.5 of the submitted Plan [A1], it is accepted that the table at paragraph 16.0.10 does not provide sufficient detail to show how the policies within the Plan will be monitored. A main modification to replace the table at paragraph 16.0.10 is proposed to rectify this, as shown below:

POLICY	INDICATOR	TARGET	Source
LP01 Spatial Strategy	Number of dwellings granted planning permission & net residential completions	Average of 571 per year	Planning Applications
	Number of residential permissions that have lapsed without implementation	Not applicable	Planning Applications
LP02 Settlement Hierarchy	Percentage of new homes within each settlement hierarchy tier	To generally accord with % in policy	Planning Applications
LP03 Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development	Number of planning permissions granted	Not applicable	Planning Applications
LP04 Development Boundaries	Number of permissions granted outside development boundaries	None	Planning Applications
LP05 Implementation	Delivery of schemes identified in Infrastructure Delivery Schedule in line with indicative phasing	No specific target	CIL Monitoring Report
	Financial Contributions received/on site facilities provided for community services and infrastructure through development	No specific target	CIL Monitoring Report
LPO6 Climate Change	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to policy	None	Planning Applications
LP07 The Economy	Number of planning permissions granted on allocated employment sites	No specific target	Planning Applications
	Amount of employment land lost	None	Planning Applications
	Number of permissions for tourism accommodation	No specific target	Planning Applications
	Number of permissions for Rural Exception Sites	No specific target	Planning Applications

LP08 Retail Development	Number of permissions for out-of-town retail uses	No gain	Planning Applications
	Number of permissions for retail use in King's Lynn, Downham Market and Hunstanton	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP09 Touring and Permanent Holiday Sites	Number of permissions for holiday uses/intensification of holiday uses within AONB & Coastal Hazard Zone	None	Planning Applications
LP10 Development associated with National Construction College site, British Sugar Factory and RAF Marham	Number of permissions which seek to improve these facilities	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP11 Strategic Road and Major Road Network	Number of planning permissions granted that would result in a significant adverse effect on the network	None	Planning Applications
LP12 Disused Railway Trackways	Number of planning permissions granted that would prejudice potential future use of disused railway tracks	None	Planning Applications
LP13 Transportation	Delivery of transport/bus schemes identified in Infrastructure Delivery Schedule	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP14 Parking Provision in New Development	Percentage of new developments granted planning permission with policy-compliant car parking provision	100%	Planning Applications
	Percentage of new developments granted planning permission with policy-compliant cycle parking provision	100%	Planning Applications
LP15 Coastal Areas Policy	Number of planning permissions granted for replacement/extensive alterations/relaxation of occupancy limitations	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP16 Norfolk Coast AONB	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to policy in the AONB	None	Planning Applications
LP17 Coastal Change Management Area (Hunstanton to Dersingham)	Number of new dwellings/new or additional park homes/caravans granted planning permissions within the Coastal Change Management Area	None	Planning Applications
	Planning permissions granted for replacement dwellings in the Coastal Change Management Zone either directly or as a result of a breach in coastal defences	None	Planning Applications
	Planning permissions granted for additional habitable rooms in the Coastal Change Management Area	None	Planning Applications
	Planning permissions granted for seasonal occupancy outside of 1 April and 30 September	None	Planning Applications
LP18 Design & Sustainable Development	Number of permissions refused on design grounds	Not applicable	Planning Applications
LP19 Environmental Assets - Green Infrastructure, Landscape Character, Biodiversity and Geodiversity	Gains and losses to the areas of designated green infrastructure	No net loss	Planning Applications
	Demolition of Listed Buildings	No Loss	Planning Applications

LP20 Environmental Assets- Historic Environment	Demolition of non-designated heritage asset	No Loss	Planning Applications
	Number of Listed Buildings at Risk	No increase	Planning Applications
LP21 Environment, Design and Amenity	Number of permissions refused on design grounds	Not applicable	Planning Applications
LP22 Provision of Recreational Open Space for Residential Developments	Gains and losses to the areas of open space	No net loss	Planning Applications
LP23 Green Infrastructure	Gains and losses to the areas of green infrastructure	No net loss	Planning Applications
LP24 Renewable Energy	Gains in renewable energy	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP25 Sites in Areas of Flood Risk	Planning permissions granted contrary to Environment Agency advice on flooding	None	Planning Applications
LP26 Protection of Local Open Space	Gains and losses to open space	No net loss	Planning Applications
LP27 Habitats Regulation	Number of planning permissions with GI-RAMS contributions	100%	Planning Applications
	Number of developments permitted within 1500m of the Breckland SPA not related to the re-use of existing building	None	Planning Applications
LP28 Affordable Housing	Percentage of new residential units that are classed as affordable housing	15% Kings Lynn 20% all other areas	Planning Applications
	Number of pitches granted planning permission	Meet identified need for GTTS pitches	Planning Applications
LP29 Housing for the elderly & Specialist Care	Number of specialist care and supported living bed spaces completed	No net loss	Planning Applications
LP30 Adaptable & Accessible Homes	Percentage of affordable housing on major development that are M4(3)	5%	Planning Applications
LP31 Residential Development Reasonably Related to Existing Settlements	No. of permissions granted reasonably related to existing settlements	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP32 Houses in Multiple Occupation	No. of conversions of existing dwellings/new development for HMOs	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP33 Enlargement or Replacement of Dwellings in the Countryside	Number of planning applications refused on design grounds in the Countryside	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP34 Housing Needs of Rural Workers	Number of permanent occupational dwellings	No specific target	Planning Applications
	Number of temporary occupational dwellings	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP35 Residential Annexes	Number of permissions granted for residential annexes	No specific target	Planning Applications
LP36 Community and Culture	Number of new community facilities	No specific target	Planning Applications
	Gains and losses of community facilities	No net loss	Planning Applications
LP37 Community Facilities	Number of permissions granted for community facilities	No specific target	Planning Applications

Q415. Are the indicators described likely to be effective in monitoring:

a) Progress in delivering the Strategic Objectives of the Plan; and

b) The significant economic, social and environmental effects of the Plan?

If so, how?

Yes. The suggested main modification to the table at paragraph 16.0.10 (see previous question) sets out effective and measurable indicators that will be used to monitor the progress in delivering the strategic objectives and the significant economic, social and environmental effects of the Plan.

This will be achieved by measuring the proposed indicators for each policy from information obtained from planning applications and from the Borough's CIL Infrastructure Funding Statement. These will be reported annually and published in the Borough's Authority Monitoring Report.

As set out in paragraph 16.0.3 the purpose of monitoring are:

- to assess the extent to which policies and sites are being implemented
- to identify policies or sites that may need to be amended or replaced
- to establish whether policies have had unintended consequences
- to establish whether assumptions and objectives behind policies are still relevant
- to establish whether targets are being achieved

The monitoring information can then be used to inform any future reviews of the Local Plan.