# **Implementation Policies**

**IM/1** Provision of infrastructure and facilities (**\*now deleted**)

**IM/2** Use of conditions and agreements in planning permissions (\*now deleted)

 $\ensuremath{^*}$  Further information on deleted policies can be found within the chapter.

## **CHAPTER 9**

## **IMPLEMENTATION**

#### **Objectives**

- **1.** To ensure that the proposals in the Local Plan are appropriate and capable of implementation in the plan period.
- **2.** To encourage the provision of resources to ensure the implementation of the proposals.
- **3.** To seek contributions from developers towards infrastructure works and the provision of facilities that are required to support development proposals.
- **4.** To monitor and review the Local Plan to ensure that the policies and proposals remain relevant and effective.

### **Introduction**

**9.1** In formulating the policies in this Local Plan the District Council has taken into account the resources likely to be available to implement them. To ensure that the policies and proposals in the Local Plan remain relevant and effective, the District Council will continue to monitor developments occurring in the District and the surrounding area. If the Local Plan is to remain robust it must combine longer-term certainties for development with sufficient flexibility to accommodate changing demands and pressures in the short term.

#### **Implementation**

- **9.2** The implementation of the proposals in this Local Plan will be undertaken by both public and private sector agencies and developers. The time-scale for implementation will be dependent upon a number of factors including the availability of resources, land ownership and acquisition, infrastructure contributions, market demand and the involvement and co-operation of various agencies.
- **9.3** Current Government policy is imposing severe constraints on local authorities capital expenditure programmes. The timing of any capital project to be undertaken by the District Council will be subject to the constraints imposed on its capital expenditure and borrowing controls and the Council's own priorities. The District Council will continue to work in partnership with other agencies to make the most effective use of its resources.
- **9.4** In determining planning applications the District Council will have regard to the policies in this Local Plan. It will encourage development that complies with the policies and assists in achieving the objectives of the Plan.

#### **Infrastructure Provision**

- **9.5** The Government is increasingly looking to local authorities to develop an enabling role, which will involve the co-ordination of various sources of funding to implement proposals. The Local Plan provides a reference point for individuals, agencies and developers, on the scale and location of future development in the District. In particular those agencies responsible for the provision of infrastructure can assess where demands are likely to occur over the plan period.
- **9.6** As a general principle the District Council will seek contributions from developers towards infrastructure works and the provision of facilities that are relevant to and reasonably related to a development and are required to enable the development to proceed. It will normally seek to impose conditions on a planning permission, or achieve the requisite contributions or works by entering into an agreement with the developer in association with a grant of planning permission.

9.7	*POLICY IM/1	This policy has now been deleted.
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Please refer to Circular 05/2005 para. B2 and B9 regarding the Provision of Infrastructure and Facilities.

9.8 \*POLICY IM/2 This policy has now been deleted.

Please refer to Circular 05/2005, B4, B5 & B9 regarding the Use of Condition and Agreements within Planning Permissions.

#### Monitoring

- **9.9** Monitoring work is essential to evaluate whether the objectives of the Local Plan are being achieved and to assess the adequacy of the policies in meeting the objectives. Significant changes in national and regional policies will need to be taken into account, together with any amendments to the Structure Plan, which may affect policies in this Local Plan.
- **9.10** Monitoring work is carried out by the District Council on a regular basis and the results of that work have influenced the formulation of policies in this Local Plan. The monitoring work is supplemented with qualitative information, which is used to assist in evaluating trends and policy effectiveness. During the plan period the District Council will continue to assess the effectiveness and relevance of the policies in this Local Plan.

#### **Review of the Local Plan**

**9.11** If the monitoring work reveals that the objectives or policies of this Plan are in need of revision, the District Council will either formally review the Plan or introduce amendments to it. If minor amendments are required before the Plan is formally reviewed, these may be subject to limited consultations and participation, depending upon the nature of the amendments. A formal review of the Plan will be undertaken at least once every 5 years and there will be opportunities to participate in the review.