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Relevant Portfolio Holder	Councillor Kit Taylor
Portfolio Holder Consulted	Yes
Relevant Head of Service	Ruth Bamford
Ward(s) Affected	All Wards
Ward Councillor(s) Consulted	Yes
Non Key Decision	Yes

1. <u>SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS</u>

- 1.1 The Bromsgrove District Plan 2011-2030 (BDP) will become the development plan for the District once adopted in late 2014. This report outlines the work done on the plan to this point, provides a brief summary of the policies, and seeks approval for the latter stages of plan production leading up to an Examination in Public in spring / summer 2014.
- 1.2 Also contained in this report are the officer comments for endorsement on the recently completed Housing Growth Consultation, the results of which have been fed into wherever possible policy RCBD1 Redditch Cross Boundary Development.

2. <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to RECOMMEND to the Council
 - 1) Endorse the officer responses (Appendix A) to consultation held on Redditch Housing Growth; and
 - 2) Approve the Proposed Submission Bromsgrove District Plan 2011-2030 including policies map (Appendix B and C) and Sustainability Appraisal (Appendix D) for representations to be made by all interested parties, commencing 30th September 2013 until 11th November 2013; and as per regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012
 - 3) Authority for the relevant Head of Service/Director and the Strategic Planning Manager in consultation with the portfolio holder for Planning to review the representations made following the close of the representations period, and that subject to no significant matters or weaknesses being raised to doubt the soundness of the proposed submission plan, that the Bromsgrove District Plan be submitted to the Secretary of State for examination in December 2013 as per regulation

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22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012; and

- 4) Authority for the relevant Head of Service/Director and the Strategic Planning Manager in consultation with the portfolio holder for Planning to prepare and submit the necessary documents to support Submission of the Local Plan; and
- 5) Authority for the Head of Service/Director and the Strategic Planning Manager in consultation with a the portfolio holder for Planning, to undertake such further revisions, technical corrections and editorial changes deemed necessary in preparing the District Plan for publication and subsequent submission to the Secretary of State and to agree any further changes where appropriate during the examination.

3. KEY ISSUES

Financial Implications

3.1 The Proposed submission and subsequent examination in public of the Bromsgrove District plan is a costly exercise. Currently a budget of £30,000 exists in 2013/14 with an additional £70,000 being requested for 2014/15. It is unclear at this time whether or not this will be sufficient funding to cover all costs incurred. It is the council's responsibility to pay for the planning inspectorate to examine the plan currently this stands at £993 per day. The fees for examinations were set under the Town and Country Planning (Costs of Inquiries etc.) (Standard Daily Amount) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/3227)

Legal Implications

- 3.2 The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act (2004) requires that Local Authorities should publish a plan at this stage which they think is sound. The published plan should be the one they intend to submit to the Planning Inspectorate. Changes after submission are considered unnecessary and may be disregarded by the Inspector unless there are exceptional reasons to justify them.
- 3.3 Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) requires 'proposed submission documents', including the Local Plan, which the Local Authority propose to submit, the Sustainability Appraisal report of the Plan, a Statement of Consultation and other associated documents, to be published before submission. This regulation also requires the representations period to consist of at least 6 weeks, which is proposed as 30th September to 11th November 2013. These timescales would ensure that the Council's proposed submission date of the Local Plan can be

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met, which is set out in the Council's Local Development Scheme (2013) as being December 2013.

3.4 Following consultation on the Proposed Submission Plan, in addition to the Plan itself, Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) sets out the documents prescribed for the purpose of Independent Examination of the Plan. These include the Sustainability Appraisal Report, a submission policies map, a Regulation 22 Statement, copies of representations made and such supporting documents relevant to the preparation of the Plan.

Service / Operational Implications

- 3.5 This stage in the process of preparing the District plan is to publish the plan, the policies map and the accompanying sustainability appraisal and all the supporting evidence for a set period in order for final representations to be received. Representations will be invited on the soundness of the plan and it will be important for respondents to provide some detail as to why in their view the Plan may be sound or unsound. An inspector will test (as well as testing that the Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate, legal and procedural requirements) soundness against whether the Plan is:
 - Positively prepared: the plan should be prepared based on a strategy which seeks to meet objectively assessed development and infrastructure requirements, including unmet requirements from neighbouring authorities where it is reasonable to do so and consistent with achieving sustainable development;
 - Justified: the plan should be the most appropriate strategy, when considered against the reasonable alternatives, based on proportionate evidence;
 - Effective: the plan should be deliverable over its period and based on effective joint working on cross-boundary strategic priorities; and
 - Consistent with national policy: the plan should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies in the Framework.
- 3.6 Recommendation 5 at para 2.1 above relates to authority being delegated to prepare and submit the necessary documents to support submission of the District Plan. This will relate to any outstanding evidence base work in addition to other documents which are necessary but cannot be completed at this time. These will include documents such as a summary of the main issues raised by the additional representations, further Statements, or documents requested by the appointed Inspector.
- 3.7 For the actual examination, the Inspector will be assessing the whole District Plan. The examination must centre on the issues identified by the Inspector, having regard to the requirements of legal compliance and soundness. To identify potential problems at an early stage, it is typical for an exploratory

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meeting to be arranged. Following this, hearing sessions will occur with the Inspector defining the matters and issues for the hearings. Those seeking changes to the Plan and wishing to be heard will be invited to the relevant hearing and others may be invited to attend.

- 3.8 It should be noted that the Planning Inspectorate indicate that they aim to deliver fact check reports following most typical examinations within 6 months from submission.
- 3.9 At the end of an Examination the Inspector will issue a report to the Council. The report will contain recommendations relating to any changes that need to be made to the Plan, to ensure it is sound, before it can be formally adopted. At this stage the report will be brought to Council.

3.10 Previous Consultation / public engagement on the plan

It should be noted that since 2004 when work began on the plan, the plan making system has been under constant review with one wholesale change and as such has led to unavoidable delays. A great many people have been consulted on the contents of the plan; this includes a number of specific consultation bodies with which we must consult, these are mostly neighbouring authorities and government agencies. There are also general consultation bodies, which are organisations it was felt should be engaged in the plan, such as infrastructure providers. It is important to note that the most engagement has been with those who live or do business in the district and we have tried to maximise, as far as possible, the amount of people who have been able to have their say on the contents of the plan, through various methods of consultation.

Whilst there has been considerable background work which has gone on between consultation periods, there have been six formal opportunities when help in shaping the contents of the plan has been asked for.

3.11 2005 Issues and Options consultation

This consultation focussed very much on the main issues affecting the district and the literature produced for the consultation set out a range of options under each of the key issues. This was to ensure that all realistic options were considered by stakeholders. This was the first consultation for the plan and began in June 2005 when the Issues and Options document was published and the consultation period ran for 6 weeks.

3.12 **2007 Further Issues and Options consultation**

In 2007 five new issues had arisen and a decision was taken that further Issues and Options consultation was required. The new issues were new housing growth, climate change and renewable energy, flood risk, waste and recycling and biodiversity. Following the use of range of consultation methods a total approximately 120 responses were received in the form of questionnaire responses, letters and emails.

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3.13 2008 Draft Core Strategy Spatial Vision Consultation

The vision for the District was considered to be a key overarching element that would shape policies within the Core Strategy. On this basis the Council decided to undertake a separate consultation solely on this issue prior to the publication of the Draft Core Strategy.

3.14 2008 Draft Core Strategy Consultation

The responses received to the previous issues and options consultations were a significant influence on the contents of this document. On 31st October 2008 the Draft Core Strategy was published with the consultation period running until 16th February 2009 aiming to ensure that all interested parties had an opportunity to get involved. A range of methods were used to engage with interested parties. These included letters, meetings and a 'drop in' event. In total 127 responses were received to the consultation on the Draft Core Strategy. Views were expressed by many different groups, businesses, developers and individuals who either live or work or have an interest in the District. The responses received led to a number of significant changes in the formulation of the DCS2 including additional policies on a settlement hierarchy, accommodation for the elderly and the Green Belt.

3.15 2010 Redditch Growth Options Consultation

The primary purposes of this joint consultation was to seek views on the growth in three broad areas around the north and west of Redditch within Bromsgrove District; to convey the message that Redditch had very little capacity within the Borough for new growth and to identify the sites on which some of the growth could be accommodated, including two areas of Green Belt land within Redditch. There were three areas of growth identified adjacent to the boundary of Redditch but within Bromsgrove District were East of the A441, West of the A441 and adjacent to the A448. The aim of the consultation was to primarily focus on the communities on the edge of Redditch who would potentially be most affected by any development. Every effort was made to ensure all sections of these communities were fully involved, with a number of consultation events held at different times of the day and week including evenings and weekends. In total 123 responses were received to the Redditch growth consultation. Views were expressed by many different groups, developers, businesses and individuals who either live or work in Bromsgrove or Redditch or have an interest in the area.

3.16 Draft Core Strategy 2

The Draft Core Strategy 2 took into account all previous consultation exercises, national and regional policies and up to date local evidence. The document was published for consultation on January 21st 2011 for a period of 12 weeks until April 15th 2011 ensuring that all interested parties had an opportunity to get involved. A range of consultation methods were again used including 'drop-in' events. The events were held at different days and times over a 3 week period including weekends and evening in some instances. This gave everyone an

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opportunity to attend regardless of whether they worked full-time or were on holiday for some of the events. In total 2248 individual responses were received to the Draft Core Strategy 2. In addition 2 petitions were submitted one contained 487 signatures whilst the other totalled 1016 signatures. Views were expressed by many different groups, businesses, developers and individuals who either live or work or have an interest in the District. Responses were received on all elements of the document including the spatial vision and each of the 24 policies. Some comments were general and related to the document as a whole; however the majority were site specific in relation to the proposed strategic allocations and development sites within the document. In conjunction with new local evidence and the NPPF the responses received led to changes within each policy contained within the Bromsgrove District Plan. These range from minor wording changes to a more significant shift in the intent and purpose of the policy.

3.17 Housing Growth Consultation

This joint consultation built on the previous Redditch Growth Options Consultation held in 2010. This consultation did however go into further detail and identified specific sites to accommodate the required levels of crossboundary growth. These sites are located to the west and north of Redditch at Brockhill and Foxlydiate. A range of consultation methods were again used including 'drop-in' events. A total of 6 events were held in different locations within both Bromsgrove District and Redditch Borough and at different days and times over the consultation period including weekends and evening in some instances. This gave everyone an opportunity to attend regardless of whether they worked full-time or were on holiday for some of the events. In total 450 individual responses were received to Housing Growth Consultation. Views were expressed by many different groups, businesses, developers and individuals who either live or work or have an interest in the District and wider area. The summary responses to this consultation can be seen in appendix A and it is hoped will be formally endorsed by members under the recommendation 1 above.

3.18 The Duty to Cooperate

The BDP takes into account the implications of planning policies of neighbouring authorities as spatial planning should not be constrained by Local Authority administrative boundaries. The District Council has consulted neighbouring authorities at all stages in the preparation of the Plan and will continue to do so as necessary and in particular on strategic cross boundary matters. The DTC has now become a legal duty in plan preparation. The 2012 Regulations set out which bodies the DTC applies to and the NPPF describes the issues which it should address.

3.19 The District Council and Birmingham City Council have jointly prepared an Area Action Plan for Longbridge which was adopted in April 2009. Both Councils also continue to engage on Birmingham's unmet housing need which may require the

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identification of potential sites in Bromsgrove in subsequent plans. A housing study is currently being carried out across the whole of the Greater Birmingham and Solihull Local Enterprise Partnership area which will provide some of the evidence required for this issue.

3.20 The District Council and Redditch Borough Council continue to liaise closely to prepare the new local plans for each independent Local Authority area and build a robust evidence base, jointly where appropriate, in order to make the most efficient use of resources and where this makes sound planning sense. This joint working has also included Stratford on Avon District Council in order to resolve the unmet employment needs of Redditch. A separate document concerning the Duty to Cooperate forms part of the evidence base supporting the Bromsgrove District Plan.

All of this consultation alongside the vast amount of technical evidence which supports the plan has influenced the form and content of the submission BDP. Throughout the BDP we have demonstrated alongside each policy how the consultation and other key issues have affect the final policy decisions taken. A full version of the response and issues generated by the Draft Core Strategy 2 consultation was presented to members in November 2011. All the supporting material be viewed evidence can on the base pages at www.bromsgrove.gov.uk/strategicplanning

The BDP contains

- A **District Profile** which describes Bromsgrove as it is at the moment and influences on this
- The challenges facing Bromsgrove that the Plan can help to address and the objectives for addressing these challenges
- A **vision** of how the District could develop as a place to meet the needs of its local residents, businesses and visitors in the future
- A **strategy** to direct growth to sustainable locations
- A set of **26 Policies** to deliver the strategy
- A monitoring and implementation framework for delivering the Plan. The Plan is supported by a draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) which attempts to show how the proposed development may be delivered. The IDP is a 'live' document will be updated before Submission of the Plan. The draft IDP can be found as a separate document within the evidence base.
- 3.21 The 25 policies covering a wide range of topics summaries of the policies are below the full policies and supporting info can all be viewed in the BDP at appendix B to this report.

BDP1 Sustainable Development Principles

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The policy sets out the presumption in favour of sustainable development and identifies specific principles to ensure that developments are sustainable and can integrate into the locality without undue harm.

BDP2 Settlement Hierarchy

Sets out a hierarchy of settlements in the Bromsgrove District and defines suitable development appropriate by type of settlement.

BDP 3 Future Housing and Employment Growth

The policy sets out development targets for housing and employment in Bromsgrove District up to 2030 and emphasises the importance of maintaining a 5 year land supply. The policy also identifies the need for a Green Belt Review to be undertaken to identify land for housing beyond 2023. The amount of land required to deliver Redditch related growth is also provided

BDP 4 Green Belt

The policy outlines the issues that will be addressed and approach that will be adopted in the Green Belt boundaries revision. The policy also seeks to protect the Green Belt in Bromsgrove District and sets out the type of development which would be appropriate.

BDP5A Bromsgrove Town Expansion Sites Policy

The policy identifies the sites around Bromsgrove Town that will accommodate a significant proportion of growth and sets out guidance for the development of the sites.

BDP5B Other Development Sites Policy

The policy identifies the sites that will accommodate a significant proportion of growth and sets out guidance for the development of the sites.

RCBD1 Redditch Urban Expansion Sites

The policy identifies the sites on the edge of Redditch that will accommodate housing and the associated infrastructure to meet the growth needs of Redditch and sets out guidance for the development of these sites.

BDP6 Infrastructure Contributions

Policy seeks to secure developer contributions towards different types of infrastructure provision.

BDP 7 Housing Mix and Density

Sets out the house sizes most needed in the District and the density requirements.

BDP8 Affordable Housing

Sets out the thresholds and targets for affordable housing provision.

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BDP 9 Rural Exception Sites

Policy sets out the criteria by which the need for affordable housing will be assessed.

BDP10 Homes for the Elderly

To provide adequate housing to meet the demographic trends of an ageing population

BDP11 Accommodation for gypsies, travellers and showpeople

The policy provides criteria based guidance for gypsy and traveller sites to ensure future sites are in appropriate locations in accordance with identified needs.

BDP12 Sustainable Communities

To provide sustainable communities that meets the needs of present and future residents in terms of service provision. This not only includes the provision of new services but the retention of existing facilities.

BDP13 New Employment

Sets out the types of employment opportunities that will help to broaden the economic base of the District and strengthen the local economy.

BDP14 Designated Employment

The policy provides for the protection and promotion of existing employment uses.

BDP15 Rural Renaissance

To encourage the regeneration of rural areas and the promotion of sustainable rural communities.

BDP16 Sustainable Transport

Policy seeks to ensure sustainable transport opportunities are maximised together with opportunities to maximise use of green infrastructure for practical and recreational purposes.

BDP17 Town Centre Regeneration

This policy seeks to set a framework for the regeneration of the Town Centre.

BDP 18 Local Centres

This policy seeks to ensure that day to day local service needs are retained. It identifies compatible uses on the upper floors of retail premises in identified local centres.

BDP19 High Quality Design

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This policy provides a set of principles to safeguard the local distinctiveness of the District and ensure a high quality, safe and distinctive design throughout the development.

BDP20 Managing the Historic Environment

This policy seeks to ensure the positive management of the Districts heritage assets.

BDP 21Natural Environment

This policy seeks safeguard and enhance the local distinctiveness of the District provided by the Natural Environment

BDP 22 Climate Change

Policy seeks to mitigate the causes of climate change and ensure development is designed to adapt to its impacts.

BDP23 Water Management

This policy provides a set of principles to ensure sustainability of the water environment and safeguard developments from the risk of flooding

BDP24 Green Infrastructure

This policy provides a set of principles to safeguard the delivery of a high quality multifunctional green space within and beyond the district boundaries

BDP25 Health and Well Being

To improve the quality of life and well-being of Bromsgrove by promoting active, healthy lifestyles as well as improving access to health and leisure facilities. Also includes restrictions regarding the provision of A5 Hot food takeaways.

Customer / Equalities and Diversity Implications

3.22 As stated above, it is a requirement that representations are received which suggest that the Plan is unsound. In order to guide our customers in this process a Representation Form and accompanying Guidance Note has been prepared which all respondents are encouraged to respond on.

4. **<u>RISK MANAGEMENT</u>**

4.1 Should there be any representations received during the representations consultation, which, in the view of the Head of Service/Director and Strategic Planning Manager suggest that the soundness of plan may in doubt, the portfolio holder will be consulted about the level of risk. This will be informed by a summary of representations received which will enable the Council to consider what, if any change should be made before submission. At this stage a decision can be made about whether or not the Council are advised to continue to submission.

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5. <u>APPENDICES</u>

Appendix A - Officer Responses to Redditch Housing Growth
Appendix B - Proposed Submission Bromsgrove District Plan 2011 - 2030
Appendix C - Proposed Submission Bromsgrove District Plan 2011 - 2030
Policies Map
Appendix D - Proposed Submission Bromsgrove District Plan 2011 - 2030
Sustainability Appraisal

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- A Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment for the South Housing Market Area, The South Housing Market Partnership
- Affordable Housing Viability Assessment, Levvel Ltd
- Analysis of Proposed Strategic Sites, Bromsgrove District Council
- BDC Conservation Area Character Appraisals and Management Plans, Bromsgrove District Council
- BDC Village Design Statements, Bromsgrove District Council
- Better Places to live by Design, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister
- Biodiversity 2020, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- British Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Methods, British Research Establishment
- Bromsgrove Development Plan Transport Network Analysis and Mitigation Report Halcrow
- Bromsgrove Green Infrastructure Baseline Report, Bromsgrove District Council
- Bromsgrove Town Centre Health Check
- Bromsgrove Town Centre Retail Capacity Report 2004, CBRE
- Building a Greener Future: Policy Statement, DCLG
- Building for Life 12, CABE
- Building in Context 2001, CABE/ English Heritage
- By Design: Urban Design in the Planning System, CABE
- Car parking: what works where, English Partnership
- Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (+ amendments)
- Conservation Principles 2008, English Heritage
- Creating successful masterplans: a guide for clients, Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment
- Crowded Places: The Planning System and Counter-Terrorism and other relevant guidance, National Counter Terrorism Security Office
- Design Review, MADE
- Development Options in Bromsgrove District, Bromsgrove District Council
- Draft Climate Change Strategy for Bromsgrove and Redditch, Bromsgrove District Council and Redditch Borough Council

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- Draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan (2013)
- Draft West Midlands Strategy Putting the Historic Environment to Work 2009 Worcestershire Historic Farmstead Characterisation Project
- Ecological Evidence for Strategic Sites Allocation, Bromsgrove District Council and Worcestershire Wildlife Trust
- Employment Land Availability Report, Bromsgrove District Council
- Employment Land Review 2012, Drivers Jonas Deloitte
- Five Year Housing Land Supply Document (2013)
- Geological Evidence for Strategic Sites Allocation, Earth Heritage Trust
- Get Britain Cycling, Report from the Inquiry, All Party Parliamentary Cycling Group, April 2013
- Guidance on Transport Assessment, March 2007, DfT
- Healthy Weight, Healthy Lives: A Cross-Government Strategy for England, HM Government 2008
- Heritage at Risk, English Heritage annual report
- Heritage Gateway and Magic websites
- Hewell Grange Estate-Setting of Heritage Assets Assessment
- Historic Environment Assessment for Bromsgrove District Council, Worcestershire County Council
- Historic Landscape Character Assessment of Worcestershire, Worcestershire County Council
- Housing Growth Development Study, Redditch Borough Council and Bromsgrove District Council
- Housing Market Assessment, Housing Vision
- How Local Authorities can reduce emissions and manage climate risk, May 2012, Committee on Climate Change
- Joint Bromsgrove and Redditch Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan, Bromsgrove District Council and Redditch Borough Council
- Leisure Centre Study
- Level 1 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment for Bromsgrove and Redditch, Royal Haskoning
- Level 2 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment for Bromsgrove and Redditch, MWH
- Level 2 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment, MWH
- Living Landscape schemes, The Wildlife Trust
- Local Air Quality Management Detailed Assessment, Bromsgrove District Council
- Local Development Scheme (2013)
- Low Emissions Strategies: using the planning system to reduce transport emissions, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- Manual for Streets 1 & 2, Communities and Local Government, Department for Transport, Chartered Institution of Highways and Transportation
- National Adaptation Programme (underway), Department for

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Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

- National Heat Map, Department of Energy and Climate Change
- National, Regional and Local Biodiversity Action Plans
- Outline Water Cycle Study for Bromsgrove and Redditch, MWH
- Panel Report into the Phase 2 Revision of the West Midlands Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS)
- Perryfields Green Infrastructure Concept Plan, Worcestershire County Council
- Planning for Climate Change in Worcestershire, Worcestershire County Council
- Planning for Climate Resilient Infrastructure Report, Worcestershire County Council
- Planning for Renewable Energy in Worcestershire, Worcestershire County Council
- Planning for Water, Worcestershire County Council
- Planning Policy Statement 26: Tackling Climate Change Through Planning, Town and Country Planning Association
- Quality of Life Survey April 2008, Bromsgrove District Council
- Redditch Development Plan Transport Network Analysis and Mitigation Report Halcrow
- Regulation 18 Statement of Consulation
- Regulation 19 Statement of Representations Procedure
- Renewable Energy Study in Worcestershire (IT Power), Worcestershire County Council
- Retail Study 2013 CBRE
- Secured by Design, Association of Chief Police Officers
- Settlement Hierarchy Background Paper September 2012, Bromsgrove District Council
- Severn River Basic Management Plan, Environment Agency
- Space in new homes: what residents think, Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment
- Standards and quality in development a good practice guide (2nd edition), National Housing Federation
- Statement of Compliance with the Duty to Cooperate
- Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment, Bromsgrove District Council
- Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment, Redditch Borough Council
- Strategic Housing Market Assessment for the South Housing Market Area of the West Midlands Region, The South Housing Market Partnership
- Sustainability Appraisal of Housing Growth Development Study, Redditch Borough Council and Bromsgrove District Council
- Sustainability Appraisal of Strategic Site Options, Bromsgrove District Council

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- Sustainable Communities Act 2007
- The Case for Space, Royal Institute of British Architects
- The Green Infrastructure Baseline Report, Bromsgrove District Council
- The Social Infrastructure Audit, Bromsgrove District Council BDC
- The Way We Live Now, Royal Institute of British Architects
- Town Centre Conservation Area Appraisal
- Transport Modelling, Halcrow and Worcestershire County Council
- Trees and Woodland in Worcestershire, Worcestershire County Council
- UK Climate Change Risk Assessment, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- Urban Design Compendium, Homes and Communities Agency
- Visual Appraisal for Strategic Site Options, Bromsgrove District Council
- Water Cycle Study, MWH
- Water Vole Strategy, Bromsgrove District Council
- West Midlands Economic Strategy
- Worcestershire Climate Change Strategy (draft), Worcestershire County Council
- Worcestershire Geodiversity Action Plan, Earth Heritage Trust
- Worcestershire Geodiversity Audit Report, Earth Heritage Trust
- Worcestershire Green Infrastructure Framework Documents, Worcestershire County Council
- Worcestershire Green Infrastructure Strategy(on-going), Worcestershire County Council
- Worcestershire Landscape Character Assessment Supplementary Guidance, Worcestershire County Council
- Worcestershire Landscape Character Assessment, Worcestershire County Council
- Worcestershire Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (on-going), Worcestershire County Council
- Worcestershire Local Transport Plan 2006-2011, Worcestershire County Council
- Worcestershire Local Transport Plan 3, Worcestershire County Council
- Worcestershire Strategic Housing Market Assessment 2012, GVA
- Worcestershire Waste Core Strategy, Worcestershire County Council
- Zero carbon strategies for tomorrow's new homes, Zero Carbon Hub

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