

**LEEDS LOCAL DEVELOPMENT
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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act, received Royal Assent on 13th May 2004. This sets the framework for the modernisation of planning in the UK, as part of a “Plan led” system. The Act and other supporting legislation, places expectations, on local authorities to plan for sustainable communities. As part of the new system, **Local Development Frameworks (LDFs)** and **Regional Spatial Strategies (RSS)** will replace the existing system of Unitary Development Plans and Regional Planning Guidance. At a local (Leeds MD) level, the Local Development Framework provides the spatial planning framework for the use of land within the city and a key mechanism to deliver the spatial objectives of the Community Strategy (Vision for Leeds).
- 1.2 A key element of the Local Development Framework, is the preparation of a Local Development Scheme (LDS). This sets out a three-year programme with milestones for the preparation of Local Development Documents – documents which will comprise the Local Development Framework. The draft LDS has to be submitted to the Secretary of State through the Government Office for Yorkshire & the Humber (GOYH) for consideration, before the Council can bring it into effect. The Secretary of State may direct changes. The achievement of milestones will be monitored by the Secretary of State and will be an indicator of efficiency.
- 1.3 Within the context of these requirements the City Council submitted its first Local Development Scheme to the Secretary of State in February 2005 and following minor revisions, this was formally operational from 1 June 2005. This version of the Local Development Scheme follows resubmissions in 2006 and 2007. The purpose of this is to update and roll forward the LDF programme and in particular, reflect current local priorities in respect of changes to Planning Policy Statement (PPS) 12 in June 2008. This guidance has emphasised the need for LDF Core Strategies (supported by the preparation of an Infrastructure Delivery Plan) to be taken forward as a priority and also removed the requirement for Supplementary Planning Documents to be incorporated as part of the LDS.
- 1.4 Within the context of changes to national guidance and the nature of the current economic downturn it has been necessary for the City Council to review the overall LDS programme. The focus of this is to continue to strive for the positive outcomes for the city in terms of sustainability, regeneration and economic development, through appropriate mechanisms and programmes. Consequently, it has been necessary to direct resources to the preparation of the Core Strategy, Aire Valley Leeds Area Action Plan (reflecting the importance of this AAP to Leeds and the city region), Natural Resources and Waste and future Site Allocations (rather than additional individual thematic) DPDs. The preparation of Area Action Plans for the City Centre, East & South East Leeds (Easel) and the West Leeds Gateway have been formally withdrawn, in favour of more informal and flexible routes (including planning frameworks and Supplementary Planning Documents as appropriate), with the intent of achieving priorities and outcomes in a more resource effective manner. It is nevertheless important that any guidance produced is given planning status if it is to be given weight as a material consideration in future planning decisions.

Components of the new Local Development Framework

- 1.5 The Local Development Framework is not a single ‘plan’ but the name given to a portfolio of Local Development Documents, local planning authorities need to produce under the new system (for ease of reference, a Glossary of Terms for the new documents required

under the new system has been included as part of this Introduction. This approach is intended to allow greater flexibility for local authorities in responding to changing circumstances, strengthening community and stakeholder involvement in the planning process and the achievement of economic, environmental and social objectives – at the same time, through the use of Sustainability Appraisals.

- 1.6 The components of the Local Development Framework, Local Development Document portfolio can be summarised as follows:

Local Development Documents are generally of two types, **Development Plan Documents** (DPDs) – that will need to be subject to independent testing i.e. Examination in Public by an Inspector (and have the weight of Development Plan status defined by clause 38 of the Act) and **Supplementary Planning Documents** (SPDs), which are not subject to independent testing and do not have Development Plan status (they should however be subject to rigorous community involvement procedures). As noted in para. 1.3 above, it is no longer a requirement for SPDs to be incorporated within the LDS. Information on the preparation of such documents will therefore be provided as regular updates to the City Council's web site and via the LDF Annual Monitoring Report.

Development Plan Documents include:

- i) **A Core Strategy (CS)**: to set out the vision, spatial strategy and core policies for the spatial development of the local planning authority area,
- ii) **Site Specific Allocations** of land,
- iii) **Area Action Plans (AAPs)**: where needed in key area of change, and,
- iv) **A Proposals Map**: with inset maps as necessary.

These Development Plan Documents form the statutory Development Plan, together with the **Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS)**.

- 1.7 In addition, other important documents to be included in the Local Development Framework portfolio include:

- A **Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)**, to be prepared specifying how a local authority intends to involve stakeholders and communities in the process of producing LDDs (the SCI will also be subject to independent testing),
- A **Local Development Scheme (LDS)**, setting out details of each of the LDDs to be produced, the timescale and arrangements for production.

- 1.8 Other important features of the new system include:

- New arrangements for the independent testing and examination of DPDs,
- All policies and Proposals in DPDs will be subject to **Sustainability Appraisal (SA)** and **Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)**, to ensure they reflect sustainable development principles and environmental legislation, and,
- Local authorities will also need to produce **Annual Monitoring Reports**, setting out progress in terms of producing LDDs and in implementing policies. Annual Monitoring Reports are due in December of each year and cover the reporting period between 1 April and 31 March.

Local Development Framework - Glossary of Terms

AAP Area Action Plan	These plans will focus upon implementation, providing an important mechanism for ensuring development of an appropriate, scale, mix and quality for key areas of opportunity, change or conservation.
AMR Annual Monitoring Report	Authorities are required to produce AMRs to assess the implementation of LDS and the extent to which policies in LDDs are being achieved.
DPD Development Plan Document	The Documents that a local planning authority must prepare, and which have to be subject to rigorous procedures of community involvement, consultation and independent examination. Should include the following elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core strategy • Site specific allocations of land • Area Action Plans (where needed); and • Proposals Map (with inset maps, where necessary)
LDF Local Development Framework	The LDF will contain a portfolio of LDDs , which will provide the local planning authority's policies for meeting the community's economic, environmental and social aims for the future of their area where this affects the development of land.
LDD Local Development Document	LDDs will comprise of DPDs , SPDs and related to these are the SCI , SEA/SA and AMR .
LDS Local Development Scheme	The LDS sets out the programme for preparing the LDDs .
PPS Planning Policy Statement	Government statements of national planning policy, being phased in to supersede Planning Policy Guidance notes (PPGs).
RSS Regional Spatial Strategy	The RSS , incorporating a regional transport strategy, provides a spatial framework to inform the preparation of local development documents, local transport plans and regional and sub-regional strategies and programmes that have a bearing on land-use activities.
SA Sustainability Appraisal	Appraisal of the environmental, economic and social aspects of Local Development Documents (LDDs) in contributing to the achievement of Sustainable Development objectives.
SCI Statement of Community Involvement	Document explaining to stakeholders and the community, how and when they will be involved in the preparation of LDF and where appropriate planning applications prior to their formal submission and the steps that will be taken to facilitate this involvement.
SEA Strategic Environmental Assessment	Assessment of the environmental impacts of policies and proposals contained within the LDF .
SPD Supplementary Planning Document	SPDs are intended to elaborate upon the policy and proposals in DPDs but do not have their status.

Local Development Scheme – Scope and Purpose

- 1.9 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) sets out how Leeds City Council intends to produce its Local Development Framework (LDF). The Local Development Scheme serves two key roles:
- i) Under the new planning system, it provides a starting point for the local community to find out what Leeds City Council's planning policies are for the District, and sets out the current documents which form the Development Plan for Leeds Metropolitan District,
 - ii) It sets out a detailed programme for the preparation of Local Development Documents over a rolling three year period, including timetables, which will tell people when the various stages in the preparation of the Local Development Documents will be carried out.

1.10 The Local Development Scheme is set out as follows:

2. OVERVIEW & SUPPORTING STATEMENT

- A brief statement setting out how the LDF will be structured, how the evidence base will be managed, how monitoring and review will be undertaken.

3. SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS

- A table showing each Local Development Document to be produced, its role and position in the chain of conformity.

4. OVERALL PROGRAMME

- The overall programme for the preparation of Local Development Documents, in the form of a Gantt chart setting out timetables and key milestones for the production of each document.

5. PROFILES OF EACH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENT

- A brief profile of each Local Development Document setting out its role, geographical coverage, status, timetables for production, broad indication of resource requirements and approach to involving stakeholders.

2. OVERVIEW AND SUPPORTING STATEMENT

The Leeds Context

- 2.0 Leeds is the regional capital of Yorkshire and Humberside. It is extremely diverse, consisting of a main urban area, surrounded by small towns, villages and countryside. It has a diverse population, with over 8% of the overall population from minority ethnic groups increasing to 40% in some communities.
- 2.1 Within the Yorkshire and Humber region as a whole, over the previous 10 – 15 years prior to the current economic downturn, Leeds' economic performance stands out with high economic growth and low unemployment. Over the last twenty years, Leeds has created more jobs than any other major city outside London. A key to the success of Leeds has been the strength and diversity of the local economy. It is still a significant centre for manufacturing, print and publishing, although the vast majority of people in Leeds work in the service sector, many in finance, legal services and the creative industries.

- 2.2 Clearly, the current economic down turn has had implications for Leeds and the UK economy as a whole. Through the Council Plan, the Community Strategy (Vision for Leeds) and a range of major regeneration initiatives, a range of activities are underway (including a review of the Community Strategy, the preparation of a Regeneration Strategy and the Agenda for Improved Economic Performance), to ensure that the effects of the down turn upon Leeds are minimised where possible and to enable the District to pursue longer term recovery and sustainability.

The Wider Region

- 2.6 There is growing recognition that Yorkshire and Humberside's longer term economic prosperity and sustainable development, is best achieved in working with a range of partners at a regional level. The "Leeds City Region" working arrangements and status has become established, consisting of Leeds, Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Wakefield, Barnsley, Craven, Harrogate, Selby and York. This approach is also emerging as part of the preparation of the Regional Spatial Strategy and emerging Integrated Regional Strategy, which identifies a series of 'sub' areas across the region, including the Leeds city-region.
- 2.7 The Leeds city-region has the potential to develop relatively quickly into a competitive city region, competing successfully with other European cities and contributing to improved innovation, sustainability and economic performance. Stakeholders in the city region are now starting to recognise the advantages of closer co-operation in promoting transport improvements, high education collaboration and in financial and professional services. Four of the district authorities have agreed to work collaboratively to promote Urban Eco Settlements (UES) in each of their areas for the early delivery of significant and sustainable housing. At a national level the Government Department of Communities and Local Government (CLG) have provided funding for further work and feasibility studies to secure delivery of such proposals. Within this context Leeds has identified an extended lower Aire Valley Leeds boundary as its UES. Leeds also needs to work collaboratively with other city regions, particularly Manchester, to ensure that the north of England realises its full potential.

The Vision for Leeds (Community Strategy)

- 2.8 In providing a framework to address the above issues and opportunities, the Vision for Leeds (Community Strategy), provides a vision for improving the social, economic and environmental well-being across the city. Following a period of extensive public involvement and engagement the Vision for Leeds 2004 – 2020, (prepared by the Leeds Initiative - the Local Strategic Partnership for Leeds) has been adopted and a review is currently underway, with a view to a revised Community Strategy being developed during 2010/2011). The purpose of the Vision for Leeds is to guide the work of all the Leeds Initiative partners to make sure that the longer term aims for the city can be achieved. The Vision has the following aims:
- Going up a league as a city;
 - Narrowing the gap between the most disadvantaged people and communities and the rest of the city;
 - Developing Leeds' role as the regional capital.

Local Development Scheme Preparation

- 2.9 Given the above pressures and opportunities in Leeds, the prospects for the wider city region and the specific aims of the Vision for Leeds, the preparation of the Local Development Framework, provides a major opportunity for the city. The above priorities

not only reflect national priorities for sustainable and inclusive communities but also coincide with fundamental reforms to the Planning System. These reforms in turn allow for a flexible and positive response to meeting local needs and circumstances through a co-ordinated and integrated approach to spatial planning (including land use and transportation issues) and regeneration.

- 2.10 Within the context of the issues described in paras. 1.3 and 1.4 above, in continuing to meet the LDF priorities for Leeds in the most effective manner, it has been necessary to review the overall LDS programme. Notwithstanding the scale and complexity of the planning issues in Leeds, good progress has been made in preparing the LDF, within the context of ongoing changes to national guidance and regional policy. This 2010 LDS update therefore provides an opportunity to support and facilitate a wide range of planning activity.

Statement of Community Involvement

- 2.11 In accordance with the LDS timetable, the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) was adopted by the City Council in February 2007. This in turn sets out the processes by which the community will be engaged in consultation on each type of document and at every stage of its preparation. The SCI also sets out how the community will engage in the consideration of major development control decisions.

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) & Sustainability Appraisal (SA)

- 2.12 Local Development Documents (Development Plan Documents) will be subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment/Sustainability Appraisal, in accordance with the LDF regulations and the European Directive 2001/42/EC. These are tools to ensure that LDF strategies and policies take into account environmental, economic and social issues as part of an integrated approach. For greater efficiency and effectiveness, the City Council intends to combine assessment and appraisal as part of one approach.

Monitoring

- 2.13 The preparation of Local Development Frameworks is a continuous process, with monitoring and review key and integral aspects. As part of this process the LDF Annual Monitoring Report provides a regular LDS programme update. In addition, regular updates are also made to the City Council's LDF web pages regarding the preparation of LDF documents. As part of this overall approach, both existing and where appropriate new, monitoring systems will be developed to ensure that not only the delivery of the Local Development Framework is monitored but also to ensure that the evidence upon which the Local Development Framework is based is still relevant and up to date and prepared within the context of relevant indicators. Such evidence will need to include housing land and employment information.
- 2.14 An Annual Monitoring Report will be prepared each year, (to be submitted to the Government Office), covering the period 1 April – 31 March. The Annual Monitoring Report will report on the following areas:
- Provide information on progress against a series of indicators, which aim to monitor the extent to which Development Plan policies are being achieved,
 - Provide a commentary and progress update on how the City Council is performing against timescales and milestones set out in the Local Development Scheme.

Evidence Base

- 2.15 Linked to monitoring and the preparation of Development Plan Documents, an important aspect of the Local Development Framework is that individual policies and proposals are soundly based. As part of a wide range of projects, programmes and initiatives promoted by the City Council and its many partners a wide range of technical information is available concerning environmental, economic and social issues in Leeds. The preparation of the Local Development Framework will therefore draw upon this material where appropriate and supplement this with additional survey material and technical studies where necessary and where resources permit.
- 2.16 In the preparation of the Adopted UDP, UDP Review and related strategies, a number of surveys, technical studies and monitoring activities have been undertaken. These include regular housing and employment land monitoring, a comprehensive Urban Capacity Study (June 2003) and an annual City Centre audit. In the preparation of the Local Development Framework, this material will be used and reviewed as necessary and supplemented by further surveys and technical studies where required in support of the production of specific Development Plan Documents. Within this context, the LDF Annual Monitoring Report provides a commentary on evidence based work which has been undertaken or is planned. Copies of technical information and studies in support of the evidence base are also provided via the City Council's LDF web pages.

Preparation Arrangements and Resources

- 2.17 In reflecting the objectives of the Community Strategy (Vision for Leeds) and City Council corporate priorities, resources will be drawn from across the City Council to prepare the Local Development Framework. Close working with a range of stakeholders and partners (including the Leeds Initiative) will also be an important feature of the preparation of the Local Development Framework. To facilitate this process, and as appropriate, early engagement will be sought with stakeholders and the community. Subject to the availability of resources, the nature of technical work to be undertaken and the requirements of specific timetables, it is also likely that external consultancy support will be used to deliver key tasks and projects.
- 2.18 The preparation of the Local Development Framework will be led by the City Council's City Development Directorate, primarily through the Planning & Sustainable Development service (Forward Planning & Implementation). Drawn from this service, four specific Teams (and comprising officers ranging from the Head of Service, Team Leaders, Senior Planners, Planners and Administrative support staff) will have responsibilities for the LDF.
- 2.19 Given the scope and breadth of the LDF in Leeds (and in recognition of its corporate importance), Forward Planning and Implementation will be supported by resources from across City Development including Planning & Sustainable Development. In addition, on going and close working with a range of City Council Directorates will be undertaken including Environment & Neighbourhoods (and other Directorates as necessary), to reflect the scope of the LDF documents under production.
- 2.20 In providing technical support and a co-ordinating role within the City Council, Officer project groups have been established to oversee work in relation to the Local Development Framework. A key focus for the preparation of the LDF is the Council Members "Development Plan Panel", with responsibilities for making recommendations to the City Council's Executive Board and Full Council (consistent with delegation arrangements and 'Executive' and 'Council' functions).

Risk Assessment

- 2.21 The preparation of the Local Development Framework allows for a flexible approach to the preparation of a range of planning documents. The Schedule of Local Development Documents identified in Section 3 of this Local Development Scheme, covers a range of work, which in part reflects the complex spatial planning issues in Leeds. In managing this programme of work, an analysis of risks has been undertaken, together with the measures to managing them. This is set out in the following table:

RISK	IMPACT	MITIGATING ACTION
Secretary of State directs LDS amendments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slippage to LDS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close liaison with Government Office on emerging LDS
New national and Regional policies and guidance (Planning Policy Statements & Regional Spatial Strategy).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unforeseen additional work injections into LDS work programme causing slippage. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring of changes to national policy. Active participation in regional planning agenda to respond to changes early. Re-evaluate priorities.
Volume of work (managing potentially competing timescales and tasks, higher levels of representations than anticipated) – LDF programme too ambitious.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programme slippage. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring of progress against programme objectives and re-prioritise as necessary. Realistic & flexible timetables. Use of additional resources through and corporate partnership working.
Capacity of Stakeholders to respond as part of engagement/involvement activity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential programme slippage. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early consultation with stakeholders where appropriate.
Inadequate resources to undertake specific areas of work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unable to progress work. Potential impact on quality & 'soundness' of planning documents. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular monitoring of resources, budgets and costings. Secure additional financial resources via Planning Delivery Grant. Redeploy existing resources where appropriate.
Lack of in house skills to undertake new areas of technical work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programme slippage. Potential impact on quality & 'soundness' of planning documents. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop skills and competencies through training initiatives. Close working with partners who have the necessary skills. Use of external consultants – subject to resources.
Staff turnover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential programme slippage. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring of progress against programme objectives and re-prioritise as necessary. Recruit to vacant posts.
Planning Inspectorate unable to meet the timescale for examination and report.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delay to examination/reporting. Key programme milestones not met. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close liaison with Government Office & Planning Inspectorate to highlight any early warning of potential issues/problems.
Failure of planning documents to meet tests of soundness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unable to adopt document. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure documents are sound and meet technical and consultation requirements Use of self assessment tool.
Legal Challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LDD quashed. Impact on work programme through additional work. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure LDF is compliant with Planning Act, Regulations and guidance.

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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS

	Document	Status	Brief Description	Issues & Alternative Options Consultation	Further Consultation	Publication	Submission.	Anticipated Adoption
1.	Core Strategy	Development Plan Document	To set out vision, objectives and district spatial development strategy (and will incorporate a Key Diagram).	Oct / December 2007.	Oct / Dec 2009 ('Preferred Approach')	December 2010	March 2011	Autumn 2011
2.	Aire Valley Leeds Area Action Plan	Development Plan Document/Area Action Plan	To recognise the regional significance of this opportunity and to produce a spatial planning solution, integrated with surrounding communities and the city centre) to sustainable development and regeneration issues.	June / July 2006	April/May, June/July 2007 ('Preferred Options')	January 2011	April 2011	Late 2011
3.	Natural Resources & Waste	Development Plan Document	To provide thematic and site specific policies and allocations for Natural Resources & Waste in the District.	May / June 2008	January/March 2010 ('Policy Position')	November 2010	February 2011	Summer 2011
4.	*Site Allocations	Development Plan Document	To provide Site Specific Allocations for development.	Summer / Autumn 2011	Spring 2012	Winter 2012	Spring 2013	Late 2013
	<p><i>*As a basis to deliver the strategic approach of the Core Strategy, it is intended that the Site Allocations DPD should 'follow on' from the Adoption of the Core Strategy but to begin early work in parallel. The precise timetable for preparation of the Site Allocations DPD is therefore subject to the progression of the Core Strategy to publication, submission & adoption and will therefore be kept under review and refined & updated accordingly.</i></p>							

4. OVERALL PROGRAMME

- 4.1 The following Gantt chart sets out a three year rolling programme for the preparation of the Local Development Framework, in providing a summary schedule of Local Development Documents. It should be emphasised that whilst every effort has been made to present a realistic programme timetable, this may be subject to change. Regular updates are therefore provided on the City Council's LDF web pages.

5. PROFILES OF EACH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENT

- 5.1 The following series of profiles detail the overall content and scope of Development Plan Documents and the Annual Monitoring Report. It should be noted that within the profiles for Development Plan Documents, reference to initial informal consultation is to comply with Regulation 25 (of Town & Country Planning Local Development Regulations 2004 – SI 2004, No. 2204) and formal 6 weeks consultation and further consultation as appropriate.
- 5.2 The Proposals Map is a Development Plan Document and will be reviewed and amended as necessary as DPDs are adopted.
- 5.3 It should be noted that individual LDD profiles have aimed to take into account the timing of Leeds City Council approval processes, through Executive Board and Full Council as appropriate in accordance with the Local Government Act (2000).

1.	DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT
Document details	<p><u>Core Strategy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role and content: Set out an overall spatial vision, strategy and core policies for future development of Leeds. • Chain of conformity: Relevant Adopted UDP saved policies, UDP Review, Regional Spatial Strategy and provide expression for the spatial planning aspects of Vision for Leeds (Community Strategy). • Geographical coverage: District wide - Leeds Metropolitan District (MD).
Timetable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Production Milestones:</u> • Production: • Preparation of Initial issues report and sustainability scoping report & initial stakeholder engagement September – December 2006. • Consultation on sustainability appraisal scoping report & preparation of Issues & Alternative Options for consultation. • Issues & Alternative Options consultation October – December 2007. • Analyse of consultation responses & preparation for ‘Preferred Approach’ for consultation. • Consultation on ‘Preferred Approach’, October – December 2009. • Analysis of consultation responses & preparation of ‘Publication draft’ • Publication of Core Strategy: December 2010. • Analyse responses received. • Submission: March - 2011 • Examination: • Pre-examination Meeting: June 2011 • Public examination of Core Strategy August 2011 • Adoption, Monitoring & Review: • Receipt of Inspector’s Report • Amend Core Strategy to reflect Inspector’s recommendations and adopted Core Strategy by resolution of the Council: Publish adopted Core Strategy, sustainability appraisal, Inspectors Report and Adoption Statement. • On going monitoring of Core Strategy policies as part of the Annual Monitoring Report.
Arrangements for Production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production process and management arrangements: Preparation led by Planning & Sustainable Development (Forward Planning & Implementation) in conjunction with City Council directorates and key stakeholders as appropriate. • Resources: Consultants to undertake Research, Staff time, Access Database, Meeting rooms/halls, presentation facilities, Website space, document printing, Advertising budget. • Consultation: to be consistent with minimum consultation requirements (contained in the LDF regulations) and Statement of Community Involvement requirements - will include i) placing written material for comment ii) placing material on Website, iii) meetings with stakeholders, iv) conferences/events, v) use of newspapers and the media

2.	DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT
Document details	<p><u>Area Action Plan Aire Valley Leeds</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role and Content: To provide an innovative and co-ordinated approach to the sustainable regeneration of the Aire Valley Leeds Area, including its spatial planning within the context of the city-region, compatible with the significance of the area in terms of its potential to contribute to the growth and success of the regional economy; in terms of providing a framework for sustainable economic development communities via a quality portfolio of available sites for major non office employment, major new housing development, social and green infrastructure and sustainable transport solutions, to establish a framework for the implementation of the Strategic Vision; to ensure that the importance of the regeneration of the Aire Valley to the communities of East and South East Leeds, South Leeds and the City Centre is fully recognised, in securing connectivity and linkages and to contribute to the regeneration/renaissance objectives of the City Council and the Local Strategic Partnership. • Chain of Conformity: Adopted UDP saved policies, UDP Review, the Regional Spatial Strategy, the emerging LDF Core Strategy and provide expression for the spatial planning aspects of the Vision for Leeds (Community Strategy) and the Regional Economic Strategy. • Geographic Coverage: over 1000 ha of land extending from the City Centre (SE) eastwards, either side of the riverside (River Aire), towards and beyond the M1 (junctions 44 and 45), including the existing industrial areas of Cross Green Industrial Estate, Hunslet and Stourton. The wider integration of this 'urban' element of this part of the Aire Valley, with that of the 'rural' lower Aire Valley (including St Aidan's), in establishing sense and quality of place.
Timetable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Production milestones:</u> • Production: • Preparation of Initial issues report and sustainability scoping report: July 2005. • Consultation with stakeholders to identify key issues and consultation on sustainability appraisal scoping report: August – October 2005. • Consideration of responses to initial issues and prepare alternative options: November 2005 – May 2006. • Consultation on alternative options: June - July 2006. • Analyse responses and produce consultation statement: August 2006. • Prepare Preferred Options report and sustainability appraisal report: September 2006 – May 2007. • Formal pre-submission consultation on Preferred Options report, sustainability appraisal and publication of Consultation Statement: June – July 2007. • Analysis of responses on Preferred Options and publication of statement of findings: August – September 2007. • Work on improving the evidence base with private sector partners. • Develop financial model to 'test' options and analyse funding options. • Develop a phased infrastructure programme. • Prepare draft publication document September 2007 – January 2011. • Publication of AAP January 2011. • Analyse responses received • Submission: April 2011. • Examination: • Pre-examination Meeting: July 2011. • Public examination: September 2011. • Adoption, Monitoring & Review: • Receipt of Inspector's Report: • Amend AAP to reflect Inspector's recommendations and adopted Core Strategy by resolution of the Council: Publish adopted AAP, sustainability appraisal, Inspectors Report and Adoption Statement. • On going monitoring of AAP policies as part of the Annual Monitoring Report.
Arrangements for Production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation and Production: Preparation led by Planning & Sustainable Development (Forward Planning & Implementation) (City Development), in conjunction with the Environment & Neighbourhoods and key stakeholders as appropriate. • Resources: staff time, access to and acquisition of data, development of Access databases and project management software, advertising, public consultation, advertising, communications and graphics production budget required. • Consultation: to be consistent with minimum consultation requirements (contained in the LDF regulations) and Statement of Community Involvement requirements.

3.	DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT
Document details	<p><u>Natural Resources & Waste</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role and Content: To provide thematic and site specific policies for Waste in the District. • Chain of Conformity: Adopted UDP saved policies, UDP Review the LDF Core Strategy, and Regional Spatial Strategy. • Geographic Coverage: District wide - Leeds MD.
Timetable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production Milestones: • <u>Pre-production:</u> • Policy review, data and evidence collection September – October 2007. • <u>Production:</u> • Preparation of Issues and Alternative options in consultation • Issues & Alternative consultation May – June 2008. • Analysis of consultation & preparation of ‘Policy Position’ document for consultation. • ‘Policy Position’ document consultation January – March 2010. • Analysis of responses and prepare draft publication document. • Publication: November 2010. • Analysis of Responses. • Submission of Natural Resources & Waste DPD: February 2011 • <u>Examination:</u> • Pre-examination Meeting: May 2011 • Public Examination of Natural Resources & Waste: July 2011 • Adoption, Monitoring & Review: • Amend Natural Resources & Waste DPD to reflect Inspector’s recommendations and adopted Core Strategy by resolution of the Council: Publish adopted Natural Resources & Waste DPD, sustainability appraisal, Inspectors Report and Adoption Statement. • On going monitoring of Natural Resources & Waste DPD as part of the Annual Monitoring Report.
Arrangements for Production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation led by Planning & Sustainable Development (Forward Planning & Implementation) (City Development), in conjunction with the Environment & Neighbourhoods and key stakeholders as appropriate. • Consultation: to be consistent with minimum consultation requirements (contained in the LDF regulations) and Statement of Community Involvement requirements.

4.	DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT
Document details	<p><u>Site Allocations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role and Content: Identification of Site Allocations to reflect the overall strategy of the Core Strategy, once adopted. • Chain of Conformity: Adopted UDP saved policies, UDP Review the LDF Core Strategy, and Regional Spatial Strategy. • Geographic Coverage: District wide - Leeds MD.
<p>Timetable</p> <p>The precise timing for production will be subject to progress in relation to the Publication, Submission & Adoption of the Core Strategy & monitoring as part of the Annual Monitoring Report.</p> <p>At this stage, the target date for preproduction work to commence is late 2010 with DPD Adoption 2013.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production Milestones: • Pre-production: • Policy review, data and review of evidence base: winter 2010/2011. • Production: • Preparation of initial Site Allocations issues and options document for consultation: Summer / Autumn 2011. • Analysis of responses & preparation of draft 'Preferred Approach' document. • Consultation on Site Allocations 'Preferred Approach' spring 2012. • Analysis of consultation responses & preparation of draft Publication document. • Publication of Site Allocations DPD: winter 2012. • Analysis of responses. • Submission of Site Allocations DPD: spring 2013. • Examination: • Pre-examination Meeting: summer/autumn 2013 • Examination period and target date for examination: autumn/winter 2013 • Adoption, Monitoring & Review: • Receipt of Inspector's Report: • Adoption and publication of any necessary changes to the Proposals Map: • Appropriate mechanisms to be established to monitor on an annual basis. This will include the Annual Monitoring Report and related monitoring arrangements with Departments and stakeholders as appropriate.
Arrangements for Production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation led by Planning & Sustainable Development (Forward Planning & Implementation) (City Development). • Consultation: to be consistent with minimum consultation requirements (contained in the LDF regulations) and Statement of Community Involvement requirements.

ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT	
Document details	<p><u>Annual Monitoring Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role and Scope: Annual Monitoring Report to report on performance 1 April – 31 March. • Chain of Conformity: Not applicable, statutory requirement of Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
Timetable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production Milestones: • Pre-production: • Evidence gathering, initial work undertaken to review and capture data sets, consistent with draft ODPM indicators and related guidance. • Production: • Review of data sets and gaps in context of Regional Spatial Strategy AMR and final AMR guidance/indicators. • Involvement of key City Council stakeholders in development of indicators, consistent with Local Development Scheme targets and Policies. • Preparation of AMR April – October. • Report findings to Development Plan Panel and Executive Board as appropriate. • Adoption, Monitoring & Review: • Submit AMR to Government Office Yorkshire & the Humber December. • Monitor and review suite of indicators in accordance with Regional Spatial Strategy and Local Development Scheme requirements.
Arrangements for Production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production process and management arrangements: • Resources: AMR production to be led by Planning & Sustainable Development (Forward Planning & Implementation) (City Development). with support from across the Directorate and other Council services as appropriate.