

# BIRMINGHAM DEVELOPMENT PLAN

## Duty to Co-operate

Local Planning Authorities and other bodies party to this agreement / understanding:	
A. Birmingham City Council (BCC)	
B. Lichfield District Council (LDC)	
Development Document(s) covered by this agreement / understanding:	
Birmingham Development Plan	
Stage in the process form part of this agreement:	
Pre-Submission *	
* NB: In the event of any changes to the plan prior to submission and/or a part of the document is proposed during the Examination process then updated versions of this document may be prepared.	
Checklist criteria	
E.g. This is a starting point, to be mutually agreed between the parties to this agreement.	
Discussed and agreed: Yes / No	
Agreement:	
The vision, strategy and objectives and approach set out in the BDP envisages that Birmingham will be transformed as an exciting, innovative and successful sustainable city meeting the needs of its population and maintaining competitive ness.	
2. Following abolition of the City Council, the new authority will work with stakeholders with origins in BESLEP and the Capital in Area and the continuing role of the business community in the delivery of the BESLEP.	

		Strategic Spatial framework Plan, the Strategic Policy Framework for the West Midlands Metropolitan Area and local plans, to ensure that there remains an appropriate balance between growth and development to meet needs in both urban and rural areas. There are no outstanding issues in relation to the strategy set out in the BDP between the parties signatory to this document.
<b>b) Estimation of housing requirements and the level and distribution of housing provision</b>	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Not Applicable	The Birmingham SLEP which underpins the BDP estimate of housing requirement of 10,000 net new dwellings in the period up to 2011. The 2012 SLEP's best estimate of capacity with the incision into Green Belt (except at the site of the former Shallow Sewage Works) and including an allowance of 700 on land already developed within the msg area District c45,000 dwellings, allowing for falls. The Premission version of the EDP proposes that 10,000 net new dwellings should be provided including the removal of land from the Green Belt to increase capacity within Birmingham leaving a balance to be found outside the city boundary of c25,000 dwellings. The major issue is concern the scale of the sites required, the extent to which it exists or is identified within Birmingham's boundary and the scale and distribution of an resultant shortfall. The SLEPs about Birmingham City Council's position in respect of these matters and it is envisaged by the parties that this document that the satisfactory resolution of these issues will be achieved through (1) application of the 2012 SLEP Strategic Housing Needs Study (2) Distribution of the general outline plan and the revised Part Plan through the relevant Local Authorities of Birmingham, (3) Statutory Consultation of Local Authorities and the Work Programme through the relevant Local Authorities and the BSL, (4) a joint submission to the Local Growth Deal in these final stages, (5) the preparation of the anti-regulatory statement and (6) the preparation of the Local Plan. In addition, the parties will work together to ensure that the Local Plan is adopted in time for the Local Plan Period.
<b>c) Appropriate provision made for migration</b>	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Not Applicable	The Birmingham SLEP indicates that the requirements for migration are met if the facts of migration are considered in the context of the Local Plan and the Local Plan is adopted in time for the Local Plan Period.

			into account in the estimation of housing requirements in adjoining areas through the preparation of local plans.
			2. The identification of a housing shortfall or overspill requirement refers to potential additional housing over and above that included in population and housing projections which is needed outside Birmingham boundary in order that housing needs can be met. The process for resolution of this matter is as set out in b)2 above. This approach is accepted by the parties signatory to this document.
d) Level and distribution of employment land provision	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Not Applicable		1. The EDP identifies serious existing shortfall of land available to accommodate future employment growth in the area. The main areas for employment growth are likely to be in the City Centre, Coseley, Wednesbury, Oldbury, Perry Barr, Kings Heath, Northfield, Hockley, Hockley Heath, Small Heath, Ladywood, Handsworth, Sparkbrook, Digbeth, and Moseley. These areas are primarily suitable for employment uses and have investment potential. The main need for further sites is in the City Centre, GBSLEP, Sparkbrook, and Moseley. Proposals for new employment sites are primarily focused on the City Centre, GBSLEP, Sparkbrook, and Moseley. The proposed approach is to prioritise sites for development in the City Centre, GBSLEP, Sparkbrook, and Moseley. This approach is accepted by the parties signatory to this document.
e) Hierarchy of centres and the level and distribution of retail provision	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Not Applicable		The EIP identifies Birmingham as the primary growth centre, with significant growth potential in the City Centre, Small Heath, Ladywood, Handsworth, and Moseley. This approach is accepted by the parties signatory to this document.

f) Level and distribution of office provision	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Net Applicable	<p>1. The approach in the BDP is to encourage 745,000 m<sup>2</sup> gross of new office development in the network of centres primarily focussed in the city centre including a substantial proportion of the new office floorspace expected to be provided within the Enterprise Zone.</p> <p>2. This approach is accepted by the parties signatory to this document.</p>
g) Appropriate provision made for public and private transport including Park & Ride and commuting patterns	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Net Applicable	<p>1. The BDP incorporates a range of transport policies and proposals across all modes. These are consistent with the extant Local Transport Plan and emerging Birmingham Mobility Action Plan (BMAP). There are proposals to improve networks both within and beyond the city boundary which will impact, for example, choice of mode and choice for commuters. Major developments are proposed close to the city boundary, actions that can extend across the administrative boundary. Close cross-boundary co-operation on transportation infrastructure through both West Midlands Shadow LTR and the associated Local Transport Plans (LTP).</p> <p>2. There is no consideration of the levels of in commuting desire within the city boundary so there is an expectation that there will be a balance between the levels of housing and employment taking place in areas beyond the city boundary which is a matter of relevance to the relevant local planning authority. This approach is adopted as part of the strategy to manage growth in this area which is fully reflected in the LTP which seeks to provide within its area a level of housing and employment which is sustainable, in order to assist to service facilities and provide for those who reduce their need for travel across the boundary to other centres within this respect.</p>
h) Consistency of planning policy and proposals across common transport modes, transport and green infrastructure	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Net Applicable	<p>1. To provide if appropriate opportunities for modal shift as well as encouraging modal shift, this includes, for example, designations of cycle routes and pedestrian areas, cycle parking, etc.</p>

i) Green Belt matters	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Not Applicable	<p>1. Significant changes to the Green Belt are proposed in association with major development proposals at Langley and Paddimore to the north-east of Birmingham and at the site of the former Yardley sewage works. The changes to the Green Belt boundary have been made in such a way as to identify new boundaries that will endure in the long-term and allow for development to be accommodated that will not undermine the essential purposes or integrity of the wider West Midlands Green Belt. The City Council acknowledge that additional land which is currently designated as Green Belt in adjoining areas may need to be identified for development - as a consequence of the processes to determine the Green Belt and disription of future growth areas (but under no circumstances should they arise) - and those processes should they arise shall lie with the respective local planning authorities (working collaboratively with other relevant authorities to be determined through the review of the relevant Local Plan(s)).</p> <p>2. This approach is accepted by the parties signatory to this document.</p>
j) Minerals, waste and water resources, including flooding	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Not Applicable	<p>1. In order to support the delivery of the Birmingham Sustainable Minerals Strategy, the City Council recognises the importance of reducing mineral extraction and mining activity in the area, particularly in the south of the city, and aims to encourage the recycling and reuse of building materials. The City Council has agreed to work with the Birmingham City Region Local Enterprise Partnership to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill and to encourage the reuse of materials. The City Council also aims to work with the local community and stakeholders to develop a sustainable minerals strategy for the area.</p> <p>2. The approach accepted by the parties signatory to this document is based on the principles of sustainable development, including the reduction of waste and the promotion of recycling and reuse of materials.</p>

			significant new mineral extraction to provide for building aggregate and in all other matters resource demands and use of are carefully monitored and controlled in line with good sustainable development principles.
k) Air quality matters	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Not Applicable	1-The City Council committed to the improvement of air quality for its residents and others in surrounding areas. It is, and will remain, an active participant in initiatives to address these matters jointly with adjoining authorities and other agencies subject to the nature of actions being consistent with the city's aspirations for growth. Detailed policies on air quality and the matters will be set out in the separate Development Management Plan, to be adopted by the City Council. 2. This approach is accepted by the parties to this document.	
l) Any other matters that might reasonably be identified under the Duty to Co-operate	Agreed/ Shared Understanding/ Not Applicable	1. No other matters	
l) Log of meetings, reports and other records relating to working	Details	Meetings on the Birmingham 31/10/12 and 13/02/14 Development Plan held in Birmingham. Other meetings: 1. One LEP Planning Sub Group 2. One LEP Spatial Planning Group 3. One Development Management Group 4. West Midlands Planning Officers Group 5. One meeting to the group bringing the Strategic Planning Group / One Group 6. One meeting to the Birmingham Economic Plan 7. One LD response to the Birmingham Economic Plan 8. One submissio	
l) Responses to consultation and correspondence		9. One LD response to the Lichfield Local Plan 10. One LD response to the Birmingham Economic Plan 11. One submissio 12. One field visit to local Planning / Public 13. One Hearing by Economic Committee 14. Statement of Common Ground and Policy 15. One	

	<p>Birmingham City Council and Lichfield District Council (April 2013)</p> <p>15/01/13 – BCC letter to FBC on Birmingham's Future Growth requirements</p> <p>15/01/13 – LDC response to Birmingham Development Plan – Planning for Birmingham's Growing Population Options Consultation</p> <p>05/11/12 – BCC letter to LDC confirming Cabinet Member approval of the earlier officer response to the emerging local plan.</p> <p>21/10/13 - Report of: Director of Planning and Regeneration, the Strategic Director of Development and Culture in joint consultation with Cabinet Member for Development of Areas Skills - Emerging Development Plans in areas around Birmingham Consultation with Neighbouring Authorities</p> <p>19/09/12 - BCC response to the Lichfield Local Plan - Preliminary Plan Document</p> <p>19/09/12 - West Midlands Joint Committee response to the Lichfield District Council Local Plan</p> <p>04/08/12 – BCC letter to RBC on Birmingham's Future Growth requirements</p>
-Additional points	

We, the undersigned, agree that the above documents are in information truly represent the joint working that has been undertaken by our organisations.

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Date:

Must be signed by either a Council responsible Cabinet Member or Chief Executive or Chief Officer only for non-local authority equivalents level.

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Date: 2/09/14

Member: