

## Fenland Local Plan Core Strategy

### **Schedule of proposed modifications to the Submission Core Strategy (September 2013) - Schedule Version (b) (22 Nov 2013)**

The schedule featured herein outlines all of the proposed modifications to the submission version of the Core Strategy. The amendments put forth by Fenland District Council have arisen as a result of:

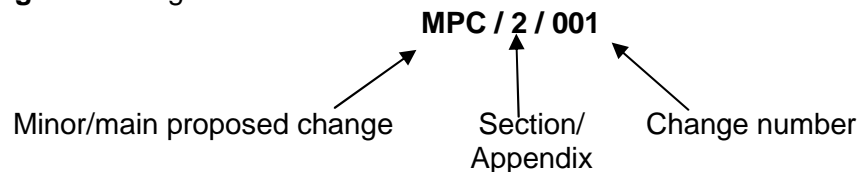
- Representations received during the consultations on the proposed submission plan and proposed submission addendum;
- Observations made by officers post Submission; and
- Responses by officers to questions raised by the Inspector in her Matters and Issues for Examination.

This is Version (b) of the Schedule, dated 22 November 2013 to coincide with the Statements submitted by Fenland District Council. All modifications in version (a) (Sept 2013) are carried forward in this second edition, with the same reference number.

The proposed changes suggested are a combination of minor and main (or 'major') modifications. Minor modifications are generally regarded as textual and grammar corrections; re-phrasing or limited new text to add clarity; or updates to figures and references which are necessary due to alterations which have been made elsewhere or for which new information has come to light. Main modifications are generally more substantive and could alter the meaning of the policy or strategy. All of the proposed modifications have been listed in the schedule and have not at this stage been identified as either major or minor and can therefore be defined with the Inspector through the examination.

The schedule includes the following information:

**Change ID:** change identification number for reference. The ID number is composed as so:



**Section of Submission Version:** the section of the Core Strategy to which the change applies.

**Policy/ paragraph:** the specific policy or paragraph within the section to which the change applies.

**Page:** where the applicable policy or paragraph is located in the Submission Plan.

**Proposed change:** details of the proposed amendment. Unless it states otherwise, where text is to be deleted it will have a strikethrough as so: ~~deleted text~~. Where additional text is proposed, it will be underlined as so: additional text.

**Reason for change:** brief details of why the change is proposed.

**Rep No:** If the change is predominantly due to a request in a representation, then the representation identification number is listed.

<b>Fenland Local Plan Core Strategy (Submission Version): Schedule of Proposed Changes – version (b)</b>						
<b>Change ID</b>	<b>Section of Submission Version</b>	<b>Policy / Paragraph</b>	<b>Page</b>	<b>Proposed change</b>	<b>Reason for change</b>	<b>Rep No (if applicable)</b>
MPC/2/001	2. Spatial Portrait, Key Issues, Our Vision and Our Objectives	2.5.3	11	Add to bullet point list: <u>Middle Level Commissioners' Strategy</u>	To acknowledge this is a relevant strategic document to highlight	PS1445
MPC/3/001	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	3.3.4	13	For "individuals" put <u>individual's</u>	Amend due to typo	n/a
MPC/3/002	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	3.3.5	13	For "males" put <u>male</u>	Amend due to typo	n/a
MPC/3/003	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	CS2 - Health and Wellbeing	15	Amend two bullet points in the middle section of policy as follows:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• creating an environment (<u>built and social</u>) in which communities can flourish (see all policies in this plan);</li> <li>• <u>planning housing that reflects the changes that occur over a lifetime so people are not excluded by design as they grow older and frailer or as their circumstances change assisting people to live in their homes for as long as possible</u> ('lifetime homes') (see CS5);</li> </ul>	For clarification	PS2390
MPC/3/004	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	CS5 - Meeting Housing Need (worked example)	22	Change title to read: Worked example for Part B of Policy <del>CS3</del> <u>CS5</u>	Update cross reference to policy	n/a

MPC/3/005	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	CS6- Employment, Tourism, Community Facilities and Retail	28	In the Retaining community facilities section amend to read: "Proposals that would lead to the loss of community facilities (e.g. public houses, village shops, community halls, post offices) will only be permitted if: 1) it can be demonstrated that the retention of the facility is no longer financially viable and an appropriate marketing exercise has been carried out, <del>or</del> <u>and</u> 2) it can be demonstrated that there is a lack of community need for the facility, <del>or</del> <u>and</u> 3) an alternative facility is provided"	For greater accuracy and consistency with the NPPF (para 70)	n/a
MPC/3/006	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	CS6- Employment, Tourism, Community Facilities and Retail	28	In 4th paragraph on page 28, 3rd sentence, replace "PRF" with " <u>PSF</u> "	Amend due to typo	n/a
MPC/3/007	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	CS3 – Spatial Strategy, the Settlement Hierarchy and the Countryside	16	Amend Policy CS3 to remove cross reference to Policy CS12 at the two following points in the text:  "Limited Growth Villages - In these settlements a small amount of development and new service provision will be encouraged and permitted in order to support their continued sustainability, but less than would be appropriate in a Growth Village. <del>and subject to policy CS42.</del> Such development may be appropriate as a small village extension." "Elsewhere: Development elsewhere (i.e. in an area not falling into one of the above categories), will be restricted to that which is demonstrably essential to the effective operation of local agriculture, horticulture, forestry, outdoor recreation, transport or utility services; and to minerals or waste development in accordance with separate Minerals and Waste Local Development Documents (LDDs). Any such development will be subject to a restrictive occupancy condition. <del>(see also policy CS12).</del> "	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 2, Q9)	n/a

MPC/3/008	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	3.4.3	17	Amend paragraph 3.4.3 to read: "It is Government policy that <del>development</del> in the countryside should be <u>recognised for its intrinsic character and beauty, whilst supporting thriving communities within it.</u> Government policy also states that <u>isolated homes in the countryside should be avoided unless there are special circumstances, strictly controlled, in order to conserve its character and natural resources.</u> By identifying the settlement hierarchy and distinguishing between settlements and the countryside, the policy restricts development in the countryside other than that where a rural location is fully justified by <u>special circumstances.</u> "	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 2, Q10)	n/a
MPC/3/009	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	CS4 - Housing	19	Remove the following paragraph in its entirety: " <del>The Wisbech allocation of 3,000 will be closely monitored and is subject to detailed masterplanning of strategic sites, to address highways and flood issues in particular. Whilst the Council has evidence to indicate that around 3,000 new homes are possible in Wisbech, masterplanning will determine more precisely the growth potential of Wisbech. If such masterplanning identifies that the 3,000 target is unlikely to be achievable by a significant degree then the Council will undertake a review, in part or whole, of the Core Strategy. See policy CS8 (Wisbech) and Section 7 (Implementation and Monitoring) for further details.</del> "	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 8, Q1)	n/a
MPC/3/010	3 Overarching Strategy and Targets	3.5.6	18	Amend paragraph to read: "It is estimated that <del>1,630-2,035</del> <u>2,005</u> properties will come forward in the plan period from April <del>2012</del> <u>2013</u> on specific sites which are already committed (i.e. dwellings completed post April <del>2012-2013</del> , or on sites with planning permission where work has not yet started or is partially completed). In addition it is estimated that approximately <del>2,265</del> <u>2,005</u> dwellings will come forward on sites which meet the criteria based policy set out below...."	To update text	n/a

MPC/3/011	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	CS5 - Meeting Housing Need	20	Amend the opening sentence of Part A - Affordable Housing to read: "On all housing development sites (whether as new-build or conversion) of 5 dwellings or more, the Council will <del>require</del> <u>seek</u> provision, through negotiation, of the following."	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 4, Q2)	n/a
MPC/3/012	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	CS5 - Meeting Housing Need	21	Amend Part D to read: "The Council, working with the County Council, will maintain a local assessment of need for Gypsy and Traveller pitches (permanent and transit) and Travelling Showpeople plots. The outcome of these assessments will assist the Council in the determination of planning applications. The latest published evidence ( <del>December 2014</del> <u>November 2013</u> ), prepared <del>by</del> <u>jointly with</u> the County Council, indicates there is no need for Fenland District Council to identify any new pitches.  <u>Irrespective of whether an up-to-date need is identified or not, the Council will still determine applications on a case by case basis.</u> The criteria which will be used to assess suitable new Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople caravan sites and associated facilities are:  (a) the site and its proposed use should not conflict with other development plan policies or national planning policy relating to issues such as flood risk, contamination, landscape character, protection of the natural and built environment, heritage assets or agricultural land quality; and (b) the site should <u>provide a settled base and</u> be located within reasonable travelling distance of a settlement which offers local services and community facilities, including a primary school <u>and a doctor's surgery;</u> and (c) <u>the location, size, extent, access and boundary treatment of the site should allow for peaceful and integrated coexistence with the occupiers of the site and the local settled community; and</u> (d) the site should enable safe and convenient pedestrian and vehicle access to and from the public highway, and adequate space for vehicle parking, turning and servicing; and	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 5, Q2)	n/a

				<p>(e) the site should enable development which would not have any unacceptable adverse impact on the amenities of occupiers of nearby properties, <u>the health and well being of any occupiers of the site</u>, or the appearance or character of the area in which it would be situated; and</p> <p>(f) the site should be served by, or be capable of being served by, appropriate water, <u>and waste water and refuse facilities whilst not resulting in undue pressure on local infrastructure and services.</u></p> <p>The Council will be prepared to grant permission for sites in the countryside provided that there is evidence of a need (as identified in the local assessment), that the intended occupants meet the definition of Gypsy and Travellers or Travelling Showpeople as set out in Government guidance, and provided that the above criteria (a) to <del>(e)</del> (f) are met. In the countryside, any planning permission granted will restrict the construction of permanent built structures to small amenity blocks associated with each pitch, and the Council will ensure, by means of a condition or planning obligation, that the site shall be retained for use as a Traveller site in perpetuity.”</p>		
MPC/3/013	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	3.6.25	26	<p>Amend the last sentence in paragraph 3.6.25 to read: “The marketing exercise should include advertisements in appropriate trade publications or websites relating to the particular circumstances of the proposal. In certain circumstances a viability assessment may also be required. <u>Applicants are encouraged to contact the Council to discuss the scope of the marketing exercise.</u>”</p>	As specified in FDC’s response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 6, Q2)	n/a
MPC/3/014	3. Overarching Strategy and Targets	CS6- Employment, Tourism, Community Facilities and Retail	27	<p>Amend the third paragraph of Policy CS6 to read: “The Council will seek to retain for continued use high quality land and premises currently or last in use for B1/B2/B8 employment purposes, unless it can be demonstrated through a marketing exercise that there is <del>no longer a need to retain sites in these uses</del> <u>no reasonable prospect for the site being used for these purposes.</u>”</p>	As specified in FDC’s response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 6, Q3)	n/a

MPC/4/001	4. Proposals for Places	CS7 - Urban Extensions	34	Change part of last bullet point, (v), to: 'market town transport <u>study strategy</u> (once prepared)'	For greater accuracy	PS2396
MPC/4/002	4. Proposals for Places	4.3.2	35	Add... <u>the</u> Thomas Clarkson Academy...	Amend due to typo	n/a
MPC/4/003	4. Proposals for Places	CS8 - Wisbech	37	In the West Wisbech section, 2nd paragraph, 1st sentence, amend "schemes" to <u>scheme</u>	Amend due to typo	n/a
MPC/4/004	4. Proposals for Places	CS8 - Wisbech	37	In the West Wisbech section and the <i>Flood Risk</i> paragraph add to the sentence: "This may require strategic alteration of ground levels within the site, <u>including flood plain compensation.</u> "	For greater accuracy	PS1256
MPC/4/005	4. Proposals for Places	CS8 - Wisbech	38	In the West Wisbech section - <i>Transport infrastructure</i> paragraph amend to "... <u>the</u> A1101..."	Amend due to typo	n/a
MPC/4/006	4. Proposals for Places	CS8 - Wisbech	38	In Nene Waterfront and Port section - 11th line. Replace "KLWNDC" with <u>KLWNBC</u>	Amend due to typo	n/a
MPC/4/007	4. Proposals for Places	CS8 - Wisbech	39	Final paragraph, add:... <u>the</u> Thomas Clarkson Academy...	Amend due to typo	n/a
MPC/4/008	4. Proposals for Places	4.4.2	41	Replace: 'the Whitemoor Prison' with ' <u>and</u> Whitemoor Prison'	For accuracy	n/a
MPC/4/009	4. Proposals for Places	CS9 - March	42	South-West March - after "The setting and character of Barn Owl Lodge should be retained." Insert " <u>Views of St Wendreda's Church should be preserved</u> ".	To ensure full consideration of the preservation of views of St Wendreda's Church	PS1270
MPC/4/010	4. Proposals for Places	CS9 - March	43	West March at end of paragraph delete: " <u>at intervals from the south and west.</u> "	To allow greater flexibility for the preservation of views of the Church of St Wendreda's	PS1270
MPC/4/011	4. Proposals for Places	CS9 - March	43	Amend the phrase in the West March part of the policy from: "The most important and best examples of archaeological features will be retained and used either for informal open space or other uses which preserve their integrity." to: " <u>The most significant archaeological assets will be retained in situ and managed either for informal open space or by other means that will preserve their integrity in the long term.</u> "	For greater accuracy	PS2394
MPC/4/012	4. Proposals for Places	CS9 - March	43	West March section, replace: '...setting the Church of St Wendreda's...' with: ' <u>...setting of St Wendreda's</u>	Amend due to typo	n/a

				<u>Church...'</u>		
MPC/4/013	4. Proposals for Places	CS10 - Chatteris	46	Amend the phrase in the East Chatteris part of the policy from: "The most important and best examples of archaeological features will be retained and used either for informal open space or other uses which preserve their integrity." to <u>"The most significant archaeological assets will be retained in situ and managed either for informal open space or by other means that will preserve their integrity in the long term."</u>	For greater accuracy	PS2394
MPC/4/014	4. Proposals for Places	CS10 - Chatteris	46	South Chatteris: Amend second last sentence to: <u>"The setting and character and archaeology of Tithe Farm Barn should be safeguarded and interpreted for public benefit as part of any redevelopment scheme."</u>	To better reflect national policy	PS2397
MPC/4/015	4. Proposals for Places	CS10 - Chatteris	46	North Chatteris: Amend third last sentence to: <u>"Opportunities should be taken to add to the Furrowfields Road Open Space area while seeking to continue the long-term preservation of medieval cultivation earthworks in this location."</u>	To better reflect national policy	PS2397
MPC/4/016	4. Proposals for Places	CS11 - Whittlesey	52	Amend bullet point 5 to: "how flood risk issues, including <del>flood safety</del> <u>flood warning and emergency planning</u> are to be addressed, including implications on and off site;"	For greater accuracy	n/a
MPC/4/017	4. Proposals for Places	CS12 - Rural Areas Development Policy	56	Part E, amend to: "Applications for mobile homes will be considered in the same way as permanent homes, <u>including subject to flood risk considerations</u> , except in time restricted cases when a mobile home is needed during the construction of a dwelling on the same or adjacent site. In such cases, more flexibility will be applied."	For clarification and to ensure that the relevant categories for flood risk vulnerability are fully considered	PS1297
MPC/4/018	4. Proposals for Places	CS7 - Urban Extensions	34	Amend criteria (q) to read as follows: "If a need is established, set aside a small area of land which is suitable for the provision of up to five Gypsy and Traveller pitches or Travelling Showpeople plots unless it would be demonstrably inappropriate to do so (e.g. in a wholly employment related urban extension). Such set aside land should be provided to the District Council at nil cost. Pitches and/or plots should be provided on-site	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 5, Q1)	n/a



				<p>unless the developer can demonstrate exceptional circumstances which necessitate provision on another site or the payment of a financial contribution (of broadly equivalent value) to the Council to enable the need for pitches and/or plots to be met elsewhere. The Council will determine whether or not there is a need via an up-to-date local assessment of need for Gypsy and Traveller pitches and Travelling Showpeople plots.</p> <p><u>Should the Council subsequently sell any land provided to it at nil cost, or sell any land it acquired through the payment of a financial contribution in accordance with this policy, then the payments received by the Council will be ring-fenced for the future needs of Gypsy and Travellers or Travelling Showpeople only."</u></p>		
MPC/4/019	4. Proposals for Places	CS12 - Rural Areas Development Policy	55	<p>Amend first sentence in Part A to read:  <b>"Part A: For villages,</b> new development <del>in villages</del> will be supported where it contributes to the sustainability of that settlement and does not harm the wide open character of the countryside."</p>	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 12, Q2(a))	n/a
MPC/4/020	4. Proposals for Places	CS12 - Rural Areas Development Policy	55	<p>In first paragraph of Part A amend to read:  "Any proposal will need to satisfy the applicable policies of this document (including the <del>thresholds</del> <u>settlement hierarchy set out</u> in Policy CS3), as well as all the following criteria:"</p>	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 2, Q7)	n/a
MPC/4/021	4. Proposals for Places	CS12 - Rural Areas Development Policy	55	<p>For criteria (a) in Part A amend to read:  "(a)The site is in or adjacent to the existing developed footprint* of the village <u>(except for those villages listed in the settlement hierarchy in Policy CS3 as being 'Small' or 'Other' villages, where only infill sites will normally be considered favourably);</u> and"</p>	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 3, Q2)	n/a

MPC/4/022	4. Proposals for Places	CS12 - Rural Areas Development Policy	55	For criteria (g) in Part A amend to read: “(g) The site retains and respects ecological, <del>archaeological</del> <u>heritage</u> and biodiversity features; and”	As specified in FDC’s response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 12, Q1 and Q3(b))	n/a
MPC/4/023	4. Proposals for Places	CS12 - Rural Areas Development Policy	56	In Part B, amend criteria (b) to read: “(b) Comprehensive evidence is provided to justify why the building can no longer be used for the purpose that it was originally built or last used, and that there is no demand, demonstrated through a marketing exercise, for use of the building for <del>employment</del> <u>business</u> purposes; and”	As specified in FDC’s response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 12, Q3(d))	n/a
MPC/5/001	5. Delivering Infrastructure	IDP for Fenland	58	Bullet point 6: Remove "Flood protection" and replace with <u>Flood risk management</u>	For greater accuracy	n/a
MPC/5/002	5. Delivering Infrastructure	CS14 - Responding to Climate Change and Flood Risk	63	In Part B Flood Risk and Drainage, amend bullet point “(a) to: the successful completion of a sequential test ( <u>if necessary</u> )”  NOTE: see also MPC/5/006	For consistency with the NPPF (para 104)	n/a
MPC/5/003	5. Delivering Infrastructure	CS14 - Responding to Climate Change and Flood Risk	64	In Part B Flood Risk and Drainage, amend bullet point (c) with the additional text to: “(c) issues of ownership and maintenance are addressed. <u>For foul drainage private infrastructure managed by residents groups or management companies should be avoided.</u> ”	For clarity and greater accuracy and to avoid a proliferation of unsustainable infrastructure provision	n/a
MPC/5/004	5. Delivering Infrastructure	CS14 - Responding to Climate Change and Flood Risk	64	Add at the end of Policy CS14, as a new paragraph, : “ <u>A Supplementary Planning Document informed by up-to-date national and local evidence and to be adopted in 2014 will be used to further assess planning applications on flood risk and drainage matters.</u> ”	For clarification and to ensure that all emerging guidance and legislation is considered and adequately addressed in local decision making	PS1293
MPC/5/005	5. Delivering Infrastructure	5.3.5	65	Replace "NHS Cambridgeshire" with <u>Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group</u>	To reflect the new status of the CCG	n/a
MPC/5/006	5. Delivering Infrastructure	CS14 - Responding to	63	Amend second paragraph of Part B of Policy CS14 to:	Following discussion with	n/a

		Climate Change and Flood Risk		<p><u>"All development proposals should adopt a sequential approach to flood risk from all forms of flooding. Development in Flood Zones 2 and 3 in areas known to be at risk from any form of flooding will only be permitted following:</u></p> <p>(a) the successful completion of a <u>risk based sequential test (if necessary), having regard to actual and residual flood risks</u></p> <p>(b) [no change]</p> <p>(c) [no change]</p> <p>(d) through the submission of a site specific flood risk assessment, demonstrating appropriate flood risk management and safety measures and a positive approach to reducing flood risks overall, <u>and without reliance on emergency services."</u></p> <p>Note: The words <u>"(if necessary)"</u> have already been proposed (see Modification MPC/5/002).</p>	Environment Agency, and response to Matter 14 Q1	
MPC/5/007	5. Delivering Infrastructure	CS14 - Responding to Climate Change and Flood Risk	62	<p>Remove the list of suggested actions in the middle of Part (A) of the policy, and replace it with the paragraph as follows:</p> <p><u>"To meet this policy requirement will be a matter for negotiation. However, in order to assist developers in meeting the 'reasonable contribution' test, the Council will prepare and maintain a resource use based SPD which will set out a cost-effective and viable set of options for the developer."</u></p>	Following discussion with the Environment Agency, and response to Matter 14 Q2	n/a
MPC/5/008	5. Delivering Infrastructure	CS14 - Responding to Climate Change and Flood Risk	64	<p>Amend the third and fourth paragraphs of Part B to read:</p> <p>"In addition to the requirements of the NPPF and associated technical guide, all applications for relevant developments must include a drainage strategy to demonstrate that:</p> <p>(a) suitable consideration has been given to surface water drainage;</p> <p>(b) appropriate arrangements for <del>dealing with</del> <u>attenuating</u> surface water run-off can be accommodated within the site; and</p>	Following discussion with the Environment Agency, and response to Matter 14 Q3	n/a

				<p>(c) issues of ownership and maintenance are addressed.</p> <p>The use of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) will be required to ensure that runoff from the site (post development) is to Greenfield runoff rates for all previously undeveloped sites and for developed sites (where feasible). This should include sufficient area within the site to accommodate SuDS <u>for the short term management of surface water drainage</u> and where appropriate link to green / blue infrastructure to exploit opportunities for biodiversity, environmental, heritage, social and recreational enhancement and value. Schemes should complement the aims of the Cambridgeshire Green Infrastructure Strategy but should be retained and maintained primarily for the purpose for which they were designed, whilst being sensitive to the multi-functional benefits they can provide."</p>		
MPC/6/001	6. Environment Quality	CS16 - Delivering and Protecting High Quality Environments	69	In criteria (c) Amend to read: "retains and incorporates natural and historic features of the site such as trees, hedgerows, field patterns, <del>and</del> drains <u>and water bodies.</u> "	To ensure rivers, lakes, ponds and groundwater are also considered	PS1295
MPC/6/002	6. Environment Quality	CS16 - Delivering and Protecting High Quality Environments	70	In criteria (l) Amend to read: "mitigates against any existing or proposed sources of noise, emissions, pollution, <del>and</del> contamination, <u>odour and dust.</u> "	For greater accuracy	PS1295
MPC/6/003	6. Environment Quality	CS16 - Delivering and Protecting High Quality Environments	70	Add to bullet point (m) " complements and enhances the quality of riverside settings, <u>including ecological value, renaturalisation where possible, and navigation.</u> "	To fully acknowledge the importance of the waterways for their biodiversity and navigation value	PS1445 & PS1295
MPC/6/004	6. Environment Quality	6.4.1	72	Replace entire first paragraph with: " <u>The NPPF defines a 'heritage asset' as a building, monument, site, place, area or landscape identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions, because of its heritage interest. Heritage asset includes designated heritage assets and assets identified by the local planning authority</u>	To better reflect national policy	PS2415

				<u>(including local listing). Advice on designated assets and undesignated historic environment evidence should be sought from the Cambridgeshire Historic Environment Record based in Cambridgeshire County Council. Alongside national heritage policies, the following local heritage assets policy applies:"</u>		
MPC/6/005	6.4 Historic Environment and Heritage Assets	CS18 - The Historic Environment	72	Amend 2nd bullet point as follows: "the use of planning obligations to secure the enhancement of the <u>significance setting</u> of any heritage asset, where development might impact on that <u>significance setting</u> (including impact on setting);	For greater accuracy in relation to the language used in the NPPF	PS1282
MPC/6/006	6.4 Historic Environment and Heritage Assets	CS18 - The Historic Environment	72	Amend 6th bullet point as follows: "steps to reduce the number of <u>buildings heritage assets</u> in Fenland on English Heritage's Heritage at Risk Register."	For greater accuracy	PS1282
MPC/6/007	6.4 Historic Environment and Heritage Assets	CS18 - The Historic Environment	72	Amend 7th bullet point as follows: "the use of grant schemes, as resource permit, to safeguard <u>buildings heritage assets</u> at risk and encourage sympathetic maintenance and restoration of listed buildings and historic shopfronts."	For greater accuracy	PS1282
MPC/6/008	6. Environment Quality	CS18 - The Historic Environment	72	Amend 1st bullet point to: "the consideration of applications for planning permission <u>and</u> listed building consent; <del>and conservation area consent;</del> "	To reflect changes in legislation from Oct 1st 2013	n/a
MPC/7/001	7. Previous 'Saved Policies', Implementation and Monitoring	7.3.4	75	Add <u>libraries</u> to list of functions provided by CCC	for clarity	PS2412
MPC/7/002	7. Previous 'Saved Policies', Implementation and Monitoring	Monitoring of CS16	87	Amend first paragraph to: "Through the on-going submission and determination of planning applications involving Natural England, English Heritage and using data from the Biological Records Centre, Local Biodiversity Action Plans <u>and from the Cambridgeshire Historic Environment Record.</u> "	For greater accuracy	PS2399
MPC/7/003	7. Previous 'Saved Policies', Implementation and Monitoring	Monitoring of CS18	89	Second sentence in left hand box: insert "of" in phrase "Application <u>of</u> national guidance and the use of up-to-date...". The "Trigger points" section include: <u>"Reported loss of unrecorded archaeological assets; increased enforcement requests".</u>	To reflect helpful suggestions from CCC	PS2412

				And in the section “What action will be taken?”, include: <u>“The increased use of enforcement action leading to successful completion of required schemes of work”.</u>		
MPC/7/004	7. Previous 'Saved Policies', Implementation and Monitoring	Monitoring of CS3	77	In the box “How will the effectiveness of the policy and implementation processes be measured?” amend the second bullet point to read: “Number of net additional dwellings in the open countryside <u>which are removed from and are not adjoining an existing settlement in the settlement hierarchy.</u> <del>as defined by Policy CS12</del> . Target to minimise.”	As specified in FDC’s response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 12, Q2(c))	n/a
MPC/7/005	7. Previous 'Saved Policies', Implementation and Monitoring	Monitoring of CS12	84	In the box “How will the effectiveness of the policy and implementation processes be measured?” add a second bullet point to read: “ <u>Number of net additional dwellings in the open countryside which are removed from and are not adjoining an existing settlement in the settlement hierarchy. Target to minimise.</u> ”	As specified in FDC’s response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 12, Q2(c))	n/a
MPC/7/006	7. Previous 'Saved Policies', Implementation and Monitoring	7.1	74	Make a number of amendments to part 7.1, as set out in Appendix 1 of this Schedule	As specified in FDC’s response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 13, Q1)	n/a
MPC/7/007	7. Previous 'Saved Policies', Implementation and Monitoring	7.3.6 - 7.2.14	90-92	Make a number of amendments to 7.3.6 - 7.3.14, as set out in Appendix 2 of this Schedule	To update text	n/a

MPC/7/008	7. Previous 'Saved Policies', Implementation and Monitoring	Monitoring of CS14	86	<p>In the box "How will the policy be implemented?" add a new paragraph which states:  <u>"Preparation of a Resource Use SPD and a Flood and Water SPD"</u></p> <p>And in the box "How will the effectiveness of the policy and implementation processes be measured?" add a new bullet point:  <u>"Resource Use SPD and Flood and Water SPD adopted by end of 2014/15."</u></p>	Following discussion with the Environment Agency, and response to Matter 14 Q3	n/a
MPC/APXB/001	Appendix B – Open Space Standards	Appendix B	96-100	Make a number of amendments to Appendix B of the Core Strategy, as set out in Appendix 3 of this Schedule	As specified in FDC's response to questions raised in the Matters and Issues for Examination (Matter 13, Q1)	n/a

## Appendix 1: Proposed Modifications to section 7.1 of the Submitted Core Strategy

### 7.1 Saved Policies and other planning policy documents

7.1.1 The Core Strategy will replace all of the existing or 'saved' policies in the Fenland District Wide Local Plan 1993.

7.1.2 In addition, the following documents which were adopted as 'Supplementary Planning Guidance' (SPG) are also deleted by this Core Strategy:

- Interim Statement of Proposed Changes to Fenland District-Wide Local Plan (January 2001)
- Guidance on Development Plan Policies for Housing and Employment (October 2004)
- ~~Play Space Provision (2003)~~

7.1.3 In addition, any other 'planning policy' notes or clarification statements issued by the Council are cancelled on adoption of the Core Strategy.

7.1.4 This means only the following SPGs remain as material considerations alongside this Core Strategy (all of which the Council intends to ~~update~~ replace in due course):

- Play Space Provision (2003)
- Shopfronts, Signs and Advertisements (c2000)
- Nene Waterfront (2004)
- Planning Agreements - Education Provision (2000)

7.1.5 The Council also intends to prepare the following new Supplementary Planning Documents, to be adopted alongside this Core Strategy or shortly thereafter:

- Design Quality (as a supplement to Policy CS16 in this Core Strategy)
- ~~Open Space (maintenance, payments in lieu, adoption etc, as a supplement to the Standards set out in this Core Strategy)~~
- ~~Residential Design Guide (for house extensions etc)~~
- Developer Contributions (which will supersede the aforementioned Planning Agreements - Education Provision SPG and Play Space Provision SPG, plus incorporate wider developer contribution issues, the full content of which will be dependent on whether



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- ~~Wind Turbines Resource Use (as a supplement to Policy CS14 of this Core Strategy)~~
- Flood and Water SPD (as a supplement to Policy CS14 of this Core Strategy)

7.1.6 Further Supplementary Planning Documents may also come forward to cover:

- Site specific proposals, such as for the urban extensions proposed in this Core Strategy.
- Other policy area, where it is considered additional guidance to support either this Core Strategy or national policy is deemed necessary.

**Appendix 2: Proposed Modifications to section 7.3.6-7.3.14 (plus p92) of the Submitted Core Strategy**

7.3.6 [no change]

7.3.7 The bars in the trajectory are split into four sections which represent the status of different housing sources. The grey hatched bars represent the net completions actually achieved between 1 April 2001 – 31 March ~~2012~~ 2013. The total number of dwellings gained over this period was ~~6,084~~ 6,398. For the first two years of the plan period, 2011/12 and 2012/13, there was a total of ~~209~~ 528 completed dwellings.

7.3.8 [no change]

7.3.9 The projected net additional dwellings which are expected to be delivered on these currently known sites is ~~4,630~~ 2,035.

7.3.10 ...These sites are expected to deliver a minimum of ~~7,000~~ 6,440 dwellings across the 20 year plan period.

7.3.11 ...It is expected that a least ~~2,265~~ 2,005 dwellings will come forward through this approach.

7.3.12 The housing target is therefore expected to be achieved through the following:

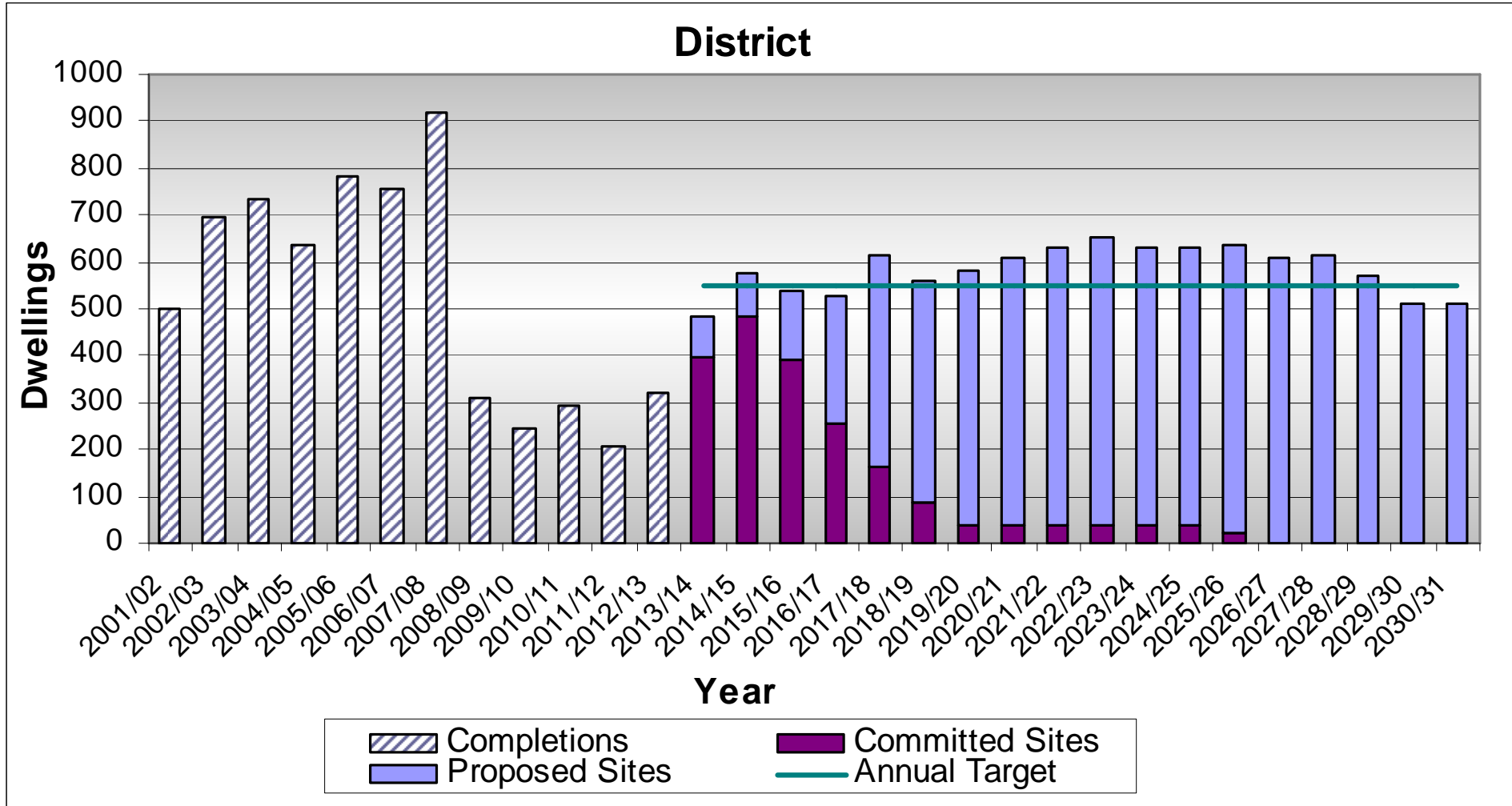
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	Wisbech	March	Chatteris	Whittlesey	Other Areas	Total
<b>Strategic Allocations</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>2,600</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,690</b>
<b>Broad Locations</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,750</b>
<b>Extant Planning Permissions</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>2,035</b>
<b>CS4 Part B Sites</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>2,005</b>
<b>Net Completions</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>528</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,003</b>	<b>4,206</b>	<b>1,598</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>1,199</b>	<b>11,008</b>

7.3.13 [no change]

7.3.14 [no change]

[delete trajectory on page 92; replace with new trajectory as follows]



## Appendix 3: Proposed Modifications to Appendix B – Open Space Standards of the Submitted Core Strategy

### Appendix B – Open Space Standards

#### OPEN SPACE STANDARDS:

Natural green spaces are very important to our quality of life. They provide a wide range of benefits for people and the environment.

All residential development within Use Classes C3 and C4 will be required to provide or contribute towards open space provision. The starting point for calculating the requirement is the standards set out in the table on the following pages.

The precise type of on-site provision that is required will depend on the nature and location of the proposal and the quantity/type of open space needed in the area. This should be the subject of discussion/negotiation at the pre-application stage. If there are deficiencies in certain types of open space provision in the surrounding area, the Council will seek variations in the component elements to be provided by the developer in order to overcome them.

If either:

- (a) the proposed residential development site would be of insufficient size in itself to make the appropriate provision in accordance with the standards below; or
- (b) taking into account the accessibility/capacity of existing open space facilities and the circumstances of the surrounding area, the open space needs of the proposed residential development can be met more appropriately by providing either new or enhanced provision off-site,

then proposals will be acceptable if the developer has first entered into a planning obligation to make a financial or in-kind contribution towards meeting the identified open space needs of the proposed residential development off-site.

Where appropriate, the Council will seek to enter into a Section 106 agreement with the developer for the future management and maintenance of the open space provision, before granting planning permission.

Note, as a guide, 10ha residential development site is likely to accommodate around 500 people, based on approximately 70% of a site being net developable, of which 30 dwellings are provided per

hectare, and the Fenland average of 2.3 people live in a dwelling. However, it is the size of the development area, rather than the likely population it will accommodate, which is the primary factor as the starting point for negotiations (though as part of negotiations, if a development scheme is significantly away from these assumptions, then a variant may be negotiated).

In respect of the Amenity Greenspace standard, the expectation is for such land to fall within the curtilage of the development scheme. Amenity greenspace to be adopted and maintained by the Council is unlikely to be approved.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Local Quantity Standard (column 3 of the tables) will be applied on a pro rata basis, except for proposals where no requirement is required (by virtue of commentary in column 4 or 5).

Open Space Type and Quality Standard	National Standard	Local Quantity Standard	Likely on-site or off-site?	If off-site, funding arrangement
<p><b>Country parks</b></p> <p>A large landscaped setting which may include a variety of natural features, or formal planted areas, typically over ten hectares in size. Country parks should provide for a wide range of recreational activities, including outdoor sports facilities and playing fields, children’s play for different age groups and informal recreational pursuits including sitting out and walking. Nature trails, cycle routes, formal</p>	<p>ANGSt: At least one accessible 20 hectare site within two kilometre of home; One accessible 100 hectare site within five kilometres of home; and one accessible 500 hectare site within ten</p>	<p>One new country park, located in March.</p>	<p>Off-site</p>	<p>Developer contributions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CIL, if CIL in place</li> <li>- If CIL not in place, S106 contribution from development schemes <u>of or</u> over 250 homes. This only applies to March, for provision of a country park in March. Precise financial contribution intended to be set out in separate SPD. No contribution from</li> </ul>

Open Space Type and Quality Standard	National Standard	Local Quantity Standard	Likely on-site or off-site?	If off-site, funding arrangement
<p>picnic areas, interpretation facilities, refreshments and toilets are likely to be included.</p> <p>All spaces should meet Green Flag standard wherever possible.</p>	kilometres of home			<p>sites below 250 homes or sites away from March.</p> <p>Other contributions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Grants</li> <li>- Council capital resources</li> </ul>
<p><b>Neighbourhood / Town parks</b></p> <p>A landscaped area with formal and informal planting, typically between one and six hectares in size, providing for a range of activities</p> <p>All spaces should meet Green Flag standard.</p>	ANGSt: at least 2 hectares of natural greenspace in size, no more than 300 metres (5 minutes walk) from home	0.45ha per 10ha development site	<p>On site for sites over 50ha</p> <p>Off site for sites <del>under 20ha</del> <u>between 0.5 ha - 20ha</u></p> <p>For sites between 20-50ha, to be subject to local site circumstances</p>	<p>Developer contributions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CIL, if CIL in place</li> <li>- If CIL not in place, S106 contribution towards a named new or to be improved park. Precise financial contribution intended to be set out in separate SPD. <del>No contribution from sites below 100 homes.</del></li> </ul>
<p><b>Children's Play</b></p> <p><u>Including designated equipped play space and informal play space.</u></p>	FITs: 0.80ha / 1,000 population (of which, 0.25ha	0.4ha per 10ha development site This equates	<p>On-site for sites over <del>10ha</del> <u>2.0 ha</u></p> <p>Off site for site under</p>	<p>Developer contributions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- S106 contribution towards a named new or to be</li> </ul>

Open Space Type and Quality Standard	National Standard	Local Quantity Standard	Likely on-site or off-site?	If off-site, funding arrangement
<p>Equipped and fenced areas specifically for play, including such facilities as toddler's play spaces, adventure play grounds, ball games areas and skate/BMX parks, providing for a range of age groups – <u>depending upon the development.</u></p> <p><del>Children's play provision should provide a range of facilities associated with the type of play area provided.</del></p>	<p>should be designated equipped playing space)</p>	<p>to:</p> <p>(with approx one-third as Designated Equipped Playing Space and two-thirds as Informal Playing Space)</p>	<p>40ha <u>2.0 ha</u></p>	<p>improved Children's Play area. Precise financial contribution intended to be set out in separate SPD. No contribution from sites below 40 <u>15</u> homes.</p> <p>Note: CIL, if introduced, is not intended to be used to provide Children's Play area.</p>
<p><b>Natural greenspace</b></p> <p>An area of woodland, shrubs, grassland, heath or moor, wetland or open water, where the public may have a legal or permissive access, but should primarily support local biodiversity.</p>	<p>ANGSt: a minimum of one hectare of statutory Local Nature Reserves per thousand population.</p>	<p>0.5 ha of natural greenspace, per 10ha development site.</p>	<p>On site for sites over 10 ha</p> <p>Off site for sites under 10 ha <u>and more than 0.5 ha</u></p>	<p>Developer contributions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- S106 contribution towards a named new natural greenspace. Precise financial contribution intended to be set out in separate SPD. <del>No contribution from sites below 100 homes.</del></li> <li>- <u>Note: CIL, if</u></li> </ul>

Open Space Type and Quality Standard	National Standard	Local Quantity Standard	Likely on-site or off-site?	If off-site, funding arrangement
				<u>introduced, is not intended to be used to provide Natural Greenspace.</u>
<p><b>Allotments</b></p> <p>Open spaces where the primary uses is allotment gardening or community farming.</p> <p>Allotment sites should be of adequate quality and support the needs of the local community. Allotment sites which under perform in terms of their value to the local community should be improved.</p>	NSALG: 20 standard plots of 250 square metres per 1,000 households	0.1ha per 10ha development site, plus land for appropriate access and parking arrangements.	<p>On site for sites over 10 ha</p> <p>Off site for sites under 10 ha <u>and more than 0.5 ha</u></p>	<p>Developer contributions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- S106 contribution towards a named new allotment or towards the refurbishment of a currently unusable allotment. Precise financial contribution intended to be set out in separate SPD. No contribution from sites below 10 homes.</li> </ul> <p>Note: CIL, if introduced, is not intended to be used to provide allotment area.</p>
<p><b>Outdoor sports</b></p> <p>Open spaces formally laid</p>	1.6ha / 1,000 population	0.80 ha per 10ha development	On site for sites over 10	Developer contributions:



Open Space Type and Quality Standard	National Standard	Local Quantity Standard	Likely on-site or off-site?	If off-site, funding arrangement
<p>out for specific outdoor sports, including football, cricket, rugby and hockey pitches, synthetic turf pitches, tennis courts, basketball courts and bowling greens</p> <p>Where appropriate floodlighting should be installed to ensure that facilities are of use throughout the year.</p> <p>Regard should be given to National Governing Body whole sport plans and Sport England assessment of facility requirements for Fenland.</p>		site	<p>ha</p> <p>Off site for sites under 10 ha <u>and more than 0.5 ha</u></p>	<p>- S106 contribution towards a named new outdoor sports facility. Precise financial contribution to be set out in separate SPD. No contribution from sites below 10 homes.</p> <p>CIL, if introduced, is not intended to be used to provide outdoor sport area.</p>
<p><b>Amenity greenspace</b></p> <p>small pockets of grass, trees or landscaped areas which are an integral part of the design and layout of the development</p> <p>Amenity greenspace provision within Fenland should be of adequate quality and provide a range of facilities associated with the size</p>	None	No standard	<p>On-site. <u>The expectation is for such amenity space to fall within the curtilage of the development scheme.</u></p> <p><u>Amenity greenspace to be adopted</u></p>	

Open Space Type and Quality Standard	National Standard	Local Quantity Standard	Likely on-site or off-site?	If off-site, funding arrangement
of the facility.			<u>and maintained by the Council is unlikely to be approved.</u>	
Total Open Space (excluding country park, amenity space and access/parking arrangements)		1.80ha - 2.25ha / 10 ha residential development site (with the lower end of the range applicable only if a neighbourhood / town park is provided which incorporates other open space standards within it)		