

North Derbyshire  
and Bassetlaw  
Housing Market Area  
Joint Statement of Common Ground

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— North Nottinghamshire —



# **Statement of Common Ground**

## **North Derbyshire and Bassetlaw HMA**

### **1. Purpose of the Statement of Common Ground**

- 1.1 The Purpose of this Statement of Common Ground is to set out the agreed arrangements for co-operation and liaison on local plan work in the North East Derbyshire and Bassetlaw Housing Market Area.
- 1.2 This Statement of Common Ground provides a framework for identifying and agreeing strategic matters and cross boundary issues, and for resolving these. It is intended to be a living document, with Table 2 setting out current identified strategic matters and cross boundary issues, and how the authorities have worked together to achieve identifiable outcomes.
- 1.3 This Statement of Common Ground supersedes the previous Memorandum of Understanding (2013).

### **2. Introduction**

- 2.1 This Statement of Common Ground provides a framework for delivery of the Duty to Co-operate duties and obligations arising from Section 110 of the Localism Act 2011, and paragraphs 178 and 179 of the current National Planning Policy Framework 2012 (NPPF); in particular that authorities should engage constructively, actively and on an on-going basis on matters such as development plans.
- 2.2 The government is currently consulting on a new NPPF, which would require local authorities to prepare and maintain Statements of Common Ground, documenting the cross boundary matters being addressed, and progress in co-operating to address these. New guidance on the form of these Statements is set out in draft new Planning Practice Guidance (set out in the box below). This statement has been prepared with the proposed approach in mind.

### **How should a Statement of Common Ground be developed?**

Authorities should publish a statement of common ground following the publication of the revised Framework. A statement should contain the following sections:

- a. A written description and map showing the location and administrative areas covered by the statement, and a justification for these areas;
- b. The key strategic matters being addressed by the statement, including the local housing need for the area;
- c. The plan-making authorities responsible for joint working detailed in the statement, and list of any additional signatories (including matters to which each is a signatory);
- d. Governance arrangements for the co-operation process, including how the statement will be maintained and kept up to date;
- e. If applicable, the housing requirements in any adopted and (if known) emerging development plan documents within the area covered by the statement;
- f. Distribution of housing need in the area as agreed through the plan-making process and/or the process for agreeing the distribution of housing need (including unmet need) across the area;
- g. A record of where agreements have (or have not) been reached on key strategic matters; and
- h. Any additional strategic matters to be addressed by the statement which have not already been addressed.

The statement is expected to be proportionate to the matters being addressed and not used to document every occasion that strategic plan-making authorities meet, consult with each other, or contact prescribed bodies under the duty to co-operate.

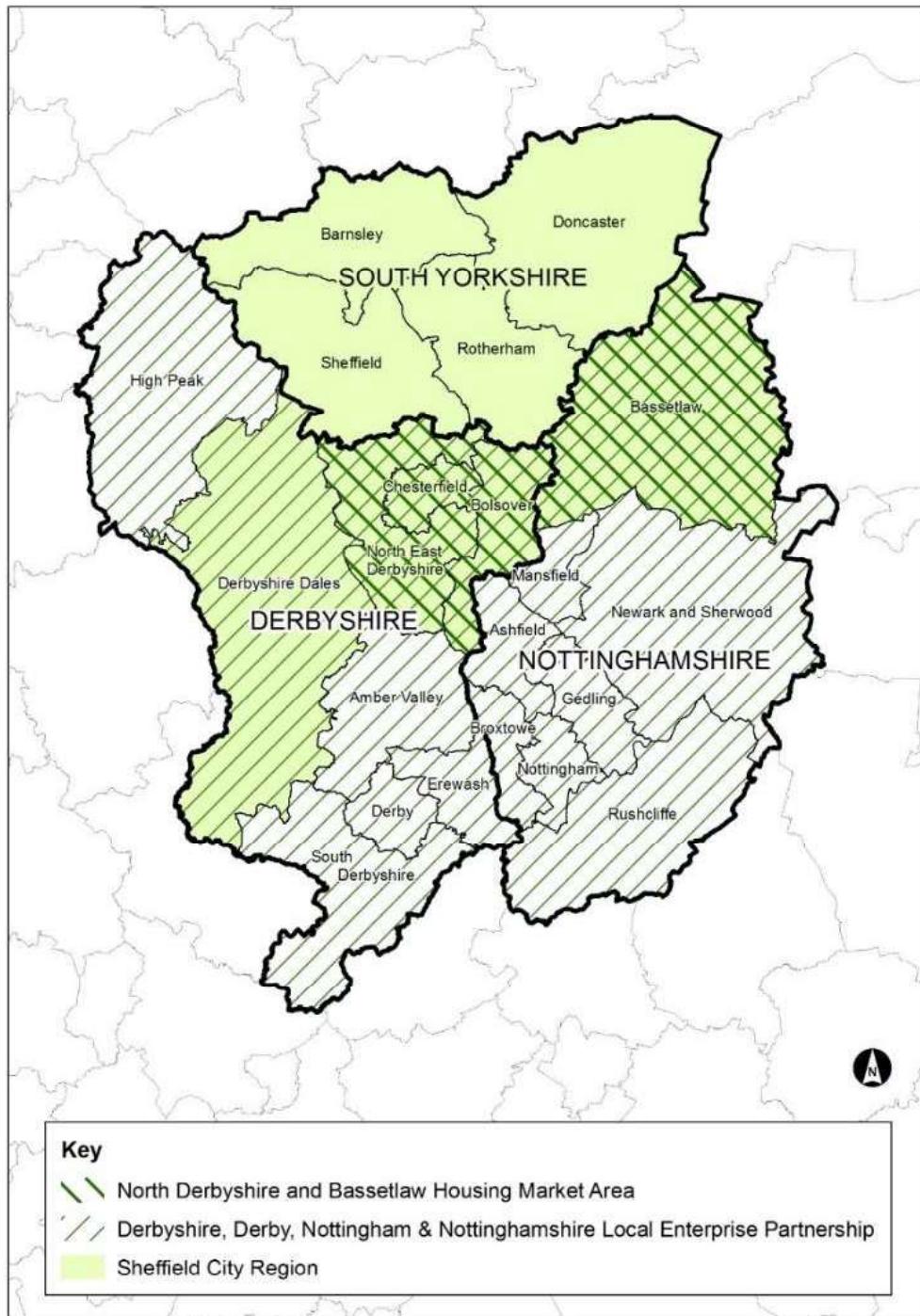
### **Area of this Statement of Common Ground**

- 2.3 National policy is clear that assessments in relation to housing need and how to meet that need should be prepared on the basis of a Housing Market Area (HMA). Initially the HMA was defined by the former East Midlands Regional Assembly. More recent work<sup>1</sup> has confirmed this as an appropriate functional HMA.
- 2.4 The statement has been prepared on the basis of the existing North Derbyshire and Bassetlaw HMA. This consists of the district/borough Local Planning Authorities of:
- Bassetlaw District Council;
  - Bolsover District Council;
  - Chesterfield Borough Council;
  - North East Derbyshire District Council;

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<sup>1</sup> North Derbyshire and Bassetlaw Housing Market Assessment November 2013.

- And the two county authorities of Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire County Councils.
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2.5 The HMA also sits within two Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs): Sheffield City Region (SCR) (of which the LPAs are non-constituent members) and D2N2 - Derby,

Derbyshire, Nottingham and Nottinghamshire (of which the LPA's are constituent members). Neither LEP has, or plans to have, a mayor with planning powers at the present time.

### 3. Strategic Planning

- 3.1 Often within planning documents, the terms: 'strategic matters', 'strategic priorities' and 'strategic issues' seem to be used almost interchangeably. The authorities in the Housing Market Area meet regularly to discuss cross boundary, shared issues and strategic matters. However, as the Duty to Co-operate relates only to strategic matters, this section of the Statement sets out how these terms are defined.
- 3.2 Strategic priorities are set out at paragraph 156 of the current NPPF, and are the priorities that need to be addressed in a Local Plan. They are the most important priorities for a Council, but what these are can vary from council to council. In contrast, a strategic matter is one that has or would have a significant impact on at least two authorities, and needs to be dealt with through the Duty to Co-operate.
- 3.3 This means that not all strategic priorities are defined as strategic matters. Nor are all cross boundary issues strategic matters.
- 3.4 All of the district/borough Councils in the Housing Market Area are at different stages of plan preparation. This Statement of Common Ground identifies both current strategic matters and cross boundary issues. The distinction between these two is that a strategic matter is one which would have a significant impact on at least two local authority areas. A cross boundary issue is one where the authorities have worked together to address a shared issue. This approach helps to fulfil the governance arrangements of the sharing of information and culture of 'no surprises'.
- 3.5 The four authorities in the North Derbyshire and Bassetlaw Housing Market Area have a long history of meeting regularly to discuss issues of common interest; good practice; and shared evidence bases. Meetings between the authorities date back to 2011, although the original Memorandum of Understanding between the authorities was not signed until 2013.

## **4. Governance Arrangements**

- 4.1 The Primary Authorities (all of those signatures to the agreement) agree to adopt the principles of open communication, the sharing of information, and a culture of “no surprises”:
- Each party will endeavour to keep the others well informed on both an informal (e.g. by telephone or email) and formal basis (e.g. letter or formal meeting) of matters arising which are likely to have significant cross-boundary implications.
  - The parties commit to the sharing of relevant information including background studies on strategic planning matters at no cost to the other parties.
  - The parties will meet on a regular basis at an operational level to ensure that all are informed of planning policy issues and that relevant information is shared between them. These liaison meetings will normally take place at a programmed meeting; to take place at no less than quarterly intervals, supplemented where necessary by more frequent meetings if determined by a majority of parties to be necessary. Meetings will rotate between partners and the hosting authority will issue the agenda, chair the meeting and provide notes of the meeting. Future responsibility for updating this Statement of Common Ground will rest with the hosting authority for that year.
  - Notes of the meetings will be retained by all parties as evidence of work undertaken in support of the Duty to Co-operate.
  - The authorities will work together to achieve the identified outcomes in relation to strategic matters, for example housing.
- 4.2 The key mechanism for identifying and resolving strategic planning issues under the Duty to Co-operate will be the regular Local Plan Liaison meetings. This group will also be responsible for the regular reviewing and updating of the Statement of Common Ground, which will be reviewed on the following basis:
- Annually by the end of July
  - Prior to consultation on any of the Primary Authorities draft or publication Development Plan Documents and any updates required prior to submission

- Upon any major changes to legislation or guidance (e.g. publication of a revised NPPF)
- Any other occasion as agreed by the Primary Authorities

## 5. Shared Evidence Base work

- 5.1 In terms of best practice and cost savings, the authorities in the HMA have collaborated on the execution of a number of key evidence base studies that are being used to inform Local Plan preparation. This together with the authorities involved in each piece of work are set out in Table 1 below.

## 6. Key Strategic Matters and Cross Boundary Issues

- 6.1 Table 2 below identifies how the local authorities have worked together and the outcomes to date. It sets out both key strategic matters, which are likely to have a significant impact on at least two local authority areas, and cross boundary issues which would not have a significant impact, but where cross boundary approach has been agreed.
- 6.2 As noted above, this is a living document, and any emerging strategic matters or cross boundary issues will be added to the table as they are identified.
- 6.3 Tables 1 and 2 set out the joint work undertaken and outcomes in relation to key strategic matters and cross boundary issues across the North Derbyshire and Bassetlaw Housing Market Area. Appendix A contains the signatures of both officers and members of each authority agreeing these.

**Table 1 - Key Shared Evidence Base Studies**

| Local Plan Strategic Priorities | Authority  | Shared Evidence   | Outcome  |
|---------------------------------|--|---|--|
|                                 |  |   |  |
| Housing Need                    | Nottinghamshire County Council   | Joint Strategic Housing Market Area Assessment Objectively Assessed Needs update 2017.                                      | A common agreed evidence base document updating the Full Objectively Assessed Housing Needs in line with the latest statistical evidence and current government advice. Each authority has agreed to seek to meet the identified Full Objectively Assessed Housing Needs for their authority to ensure the overall Full Objectively Assessed Housing Need for the Housing Market Area is met within the Housing Market Area. |
| Housing Mix                     | Derbyshire County Council<br>Bassetlaw District<br>Bolsover District<br>North East Derbyshire District<br>Chesterfield Borough | Joint Strategic Housing Market Area Assessment November 2013 and Sensitivity Report February 2014.                          | A common agreed evidence base document. Largely superseded by the 2017 update, but containing analysis of a range of housing issues including: the extent of the Housing Market Area; an assessment of affordable housing need; the needs of specific housing groups; and recommendations for housing mixes and densities. Used to inform emerging Local Plans.  |
| Gypsy and Traveller Need        |  | Derbyshire, Peak District National Park Authority and East Staffordshire Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment 2014. | A common agreed evidence base document.<br><br>Used to inform the number of pitches needed to be delivered.  |
|                                 |  |   | Full refresh/review to be commissioned in 2019/20 when the first tranche of pitch requirements   |

| Local Plan Strategic Priorities |                                | Authority  | Shared Evidence                                     | Outcome  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|--|
|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council |  | from 2014 to 2019 in the existing GTAA has expired. | A common agreed evidence base document. The Study has been used to inform and refine policy and allocations in Local Plans.  |
| Retail Capacity                 | Derbyshire County Council      | Chesterfield Borough, Bolsover District and North East Derbyshire Retail and Centres Study, April 2018.  |   |  |
| Transport                       | Bassetlaw District             | North Derbyshire Transport Evidence Base (2010-2012). This undertook a high level assessment of potential impacts of growth patterns on the strategic and local highway networks across the Chesterfield, North East Derbyshire and Bolsover area. Also involved Highways England input. |   | Assessment informed plan making progress across the North Derbyshire area. Now partly dated but agreed to provide a background for each authority and to enable each authority to develop further evidence to understand more detailed impacts of growth plans going forward. Joint working between Derbyshire County Council, Chesterfield Borough Council and North East Derbyshire District Council to develop a strategy to deliver transport improvements and mitigation to support development along the A61 corridor in Chesterfield and North East Derbyshire. |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |  |   | A61 Growth Corridor strategy – Stage1 Strategy Development Summary Report (2016).  |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |  |   | Bassetlaw Transport Study.   |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |  |   |  |

| Local Plan Strategic Priorities      |   | Authority                      | Shared Evidence | Outcome  |
|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|
|                                      |   | Nottinghamshire County Council |                 | Chesterfield, Bolsover and North East Derbyshire Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (2009).   |
| Flood Risk                           | ✓ | ✓                              | ✓               | A common agreed evidence base document used to: inform allocations in planning policy documents; and assess whether a further Water Cycle Study was required. Also used in the initial selection of sites, and to ensure there are no unforeseen impacts on sites in neighbouring authority areas.                                       |
|                                      |   |                                |                 | Further work on this topic has taken place at individual authority level, mainly through work on infrastructure needs.   |
| Water Supply and Wastewater Disposal | ✓ | ✓                              | ✓               | Water Cycle Study – Scoping and Initial Outline Study for North East Derbyshire District Council, Chesterfield Borough Council, Bolsover District Council, August 2010   |
|                                      |   |                                |                 | A common agreed evidence base document. Used to inform whether a full outline water cycle study was required for any of the 3 authorities in the HMA, and develop policies to address water environment issues in emerging planning policy documents.  |
|                                      |   |                                |                 | Further work on this topic has taken place at individual authority level, mainly through work on infrastructure needs.   |
| Viability                            | ✓ | ✓                              | ✓               | Whole Plan Viability Studies (March 2018). These were undertaken under a joint contract with a common methodology but reported on an individual authority basis given the differing policy asks.   |
|                                      |   |                                |                 | Through the preparation of this study all the participant authorities have agreed a common methodology and approach to viability appraisal. All the authorities agreed to accept the findings of the Study to inform emerging planning policy documents including the setting of policy thresholds and % targets for affordable housing. |

| Local Plan Strategic Priorities |  | Authority                      | Shared Evidence | Outcome  |
|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|
|                                 |  | Nottinghamshire County Council |                 | A common methodology to underpin each authority's review of their part of the Green Belt within the SCR to ensure a consistent approach. |
|                                 |  | Derbyshire County Council      |                 |  |
|                                 |  | Bassetlaw District             |                 |  |
|                                 |  | Bolsover District              | ✓               | ✓  |
|                                 |  | North East Derbyshire District | ✓               | ✓  |
|                                 |  | Chesterfield Borough           | ✓               | ✓  |
| Green Belt                      |  |                                | ✓               | Green Belt Review Methodology across the Sheffield City Region (SCR) (August 2014).  |

**Table 2 - North Derbyshire and Bassetlaw HMA - Strategic Matters/Cross Boundary Issues**

| Local Plan Strategic Priorities | Primary Authority Affected   | Strategic Matter/Cross Boundary Issue  | How The Authorities Have Worked Together  | Outcome   |
|---------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
|                                 |  |  |   |   |
| Housing – Meeting Housing Needs | Nottinghamshire County Council<br>Derbyshire County Council<br>Bassetlaw District<br>Bolsover District<br>North East Derbyshire District<br>Chesterfield Borough | The delivery of housing across the North Derbyshire and Bassetlaw Housing Market Area.<br><br><b>Housing delivery is a strategic matter.</b> | The authorities have worked together to commission evidence of housing need and the Full Objectively Assessed Housing Needs (FOAHN). This work was updated in October 2017. | Each authority has formally agreed to seek to meet the identified FOAHN for their authority to ensure the overall FOAHN for the HMA is met within the HMA. Different council areas in the HMA are working to different timetables for Local Plan production.<br><br>The housing targets for emerging plans in each authority is currently as follows:<br><br>• Chesterfield – 265 (The FOAHN set out in the OAN update)<br>• NE Derbyshire – 330 (Based on the job led scenario in the OAN update and above the FOAHN of 283) |

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|                                 |                                |                                       |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bolsover – 272 (The FOAHN set out in the OAN Update)</li> <li>• Bassetlaw – range 324 – 417 (FOAHN set out in the OAN update was 374)</li> </ul> <p>Bassetlaw's OAN is currently under review pending the adoption of the new NPPF and the outcome of Bassetlaw's Economic Development Needs Assessment (commissioned in April 2018).</p> <p>Initial work in the Bassetlaw Local Plan is based on a range, starting at the Government's standardised methodology (324dpa) up to 417 dpa, which is the jobs led growth figure in the 2017 SHMA.</p> |
|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |                                       |  |   |

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|  |                                |   |   |  |
|  | Nottinghamshire County Council |   | Sharing of comments on emerging targets.  | Agreed to share and consider the outcomes and impacts of individual authority's employment land reviews.   |
| <b>Employment – Delivering Employment Land</b>             | Derbyshire County Council      | The delivery of employment land is a strategic matter. Individual Council's determine how to meet their employment requirement within their area, based on their own employment land assessments and discussion with their FEMa partners. |   |  |
|  | Bassetlaw District             |   |   |  |
|  | Bolsover District              |   |   |  |
|  | North East Derbyshire District |   |   |  |
|  | Chesterfield Borough           |   |   |  |
| <b>Housing – Provision for Gypsy &amp; Traveller Sites</b> |                                | ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓   | The provision of sufficient sites to meet the needs of Gypsies and Travellers.<br><br><b>This is a cross boundary issue</b> because the assessment of need is made over a wider than local authority area. However, the requirement is small, and delivery would not have a | Shared Evidence Base. The Councils were partners in the Joint Derby, Derbyshire, Peak District National Park Authority and East Staffordshire Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment 2014 June 2015. |
|  |                                |   |   | Local authorities in the Northern Derbyshire (G & T) HMA are working to ensure the needs of Gypsies and Travellers are met.  |
|  |                                |   |   | As of May 2018, emerging Local Plans do not identify sufficient specific sites to meet the need for pitches set out in the GTAA. Individually, no LPA has yet been   |

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|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council | significant impact across the housing market area. | <p>The partners have decided not to commission additional work following the change in the definition of Gypsy and Traveller in 2015. However, they are looking to commission a new/updated study in 2019.</p> <p>This issue does not give rise to cross boundary issues with Bassetlaw/Nottinghamshire Gypsy and Traveller movements in Nottinghamshire tend to be north-south along the</p> | <p>able to identify spare capacity to meet unmet need from the other LPAs.</p> <p>To resolve this issue, Bol DC, CBC, and NEDDC will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete and publish site assessment evidence to inform consultation;</li> <li>• Review any additional potential sites that may be identified through calls for sites or representations;</li> <li>• Work with public sector landowners to identify any new suitable surplus sites;</li> <li>• Contact LPA's outside the Northern (G&amp;T HMA under the Duty to Co-operate to identify any surplus capacity;</li> <li>• Establish criteria based policies in emerging local plans in the interim;</li> </ul> |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |  |   |  |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |  |   |  |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |  |   |  |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |  |   |  |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |  |   |  |

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|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council | M1 corridor rather than east-west.    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work with Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group to identify and assess potential sites, establishing specific Statements of Common Ground as required;</li> <li>Bring any surplus capacity identified to the attention of the other LPA's for discussion, initially through the Local Plan Liaison Group.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As of 2018, the Derbyshire Traveller Issues Working Group (TWIG) resolved that the costs of establishing a transit site or sites in the study area was prohibitive. The Northern (G &amp; T) LPA's will continue to work with DCC on the issue of transit provision through the Derbyshire Traveller Issues working Group.</li> </ul> <p>In the absence of allocated site(s) to provide a criteria based policy in the</p> |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |                                       |  |   |

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|                                 |                                |                                       |   | Local Plan to deal with proposals as and when they come forward.   |
|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council |                                       |   | <p>A common and consistent evidence base for and approach to the review of the Green Belt.</p> <p>Both Bolsover District Council and North East Derbyshire District Council have undertaken a review of the Green Belt within their area.</p>  |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |                                       |   | <p>All authorities agree that these reviews have been undertaken in a manner that is consistent with the SCR standard methodology.</p>   |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |                                       |   |  |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |                                       |   |  |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |                                       |   |  |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |                                       |   |  |
|                                 |                                |                                       | <p><b>Green Belt</b></p> <p>The need to ensure that any individual authority changes to the Green Belt are based on a consistent evidence base, and that the overall cumulative impact on the Green Belt is considered.</p> <p><b>This is a strategic matter.</b></p> | <p>As partners in the wider Sheffield City Region Common Approach to Green Belt Review (August 2014), and in consultation with other authorities in the HMA developing a common methodology to be used when undertaking a partial Green Belt Review to ensure detailed criteria for assessment are consistent.</p> |

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|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council |                                       | In addition outcomes of reviews are reported back for consistency. | All authorities agree to commit to a monitoring programme for the Peak District Dales SAC: South Pennine Moors SAC: and Peak District Moors (South Pennine Moors Phase 1) SPA to help ensure that a likely significant effect on these European sites does not arise unexpectedly. |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |                                       |  |  |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |                                       |  |  |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |                                       |  |  |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |                                       |  |  |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |                                       |  |  |

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|                                 |                                |   |   |  |
|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council | <b>This is a cross boundary issue</b> because pressure from increases in traffic and consequential effects on air quality is a transboundary issue, and it is important to consider the cumulative impacts of development in different districts acting in combination. It is not a strategic matter because no significant impact has been identified. | The North Derbyshire authorities worked together with Derbyshire County Council to develop the North Derbyshire Transport Evidence Base (2010-2012). This undertook a | The shared evidence base and sharing of strategic options has informed the plan making process for the authorities. Based on this work, all parties have a clear understanding of infrastructure needs and these are being effectively |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |   |   |  |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |   |   |  |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |   |   |  |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |   |   |  |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |   |   |  |
| <b>Transport</b>                | ✓                              | ✓   | ✓   | ✓  |

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|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council | between Bolsover and Bassetlaw Districts.<br><br><b>This is strategic matter.</b> | high level assessment of potential impacts of planned growth on the strategic and local highway networks across the Chesterfield, North East Derbyshire and Bolsover area. Also involved Highways England input. | planned for through infrastructure planning work. |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |   |  |   |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |   |  |   |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |   |  |   |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |   |  |   |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |   |  |   |

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|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council |                                       |  | <p>England and Nottingham authorities as appropriate.</p> <p>Alongside reporting the findings of the evidence base studies to the Local Plan Liaison Group and North Derbyshire Infrastructure Planning Group, the authorities have shared their strategic options during the plan making process at these meetings. This has led to the identification of where planned growth in the districts is likely to put extra pressure on the</p> |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |                                       |  |   |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |                                       |  |   |

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|                                 |                                |                                       |   |   |
|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council |                                       | strategic and local highway networks and mitigation is required.  |   |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |                                       | The two county councils communicate on a frequent basis and collaborate as required by matters arising, although there is no formal document stating the level to which both county council's collaborate on highways and transport priorities and matters. | Each Derbyshire authority is working with Derbyshire County Council on infrastructure |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |                                       |   |   |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |                                       |   |   |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |                                       |   |   |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |                                       |   |   |
| <b>School Capacity</b>          | ✓                              | ✓                                     | ✓   | ✓   |
|                                 |                                |                                       | ✓   | The impact of cumulative development across two or more authority areas on school     |

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|                                 | <p>Nottinghamshire County Council</p> <p>Derbyshire County Council</p> <p>Bassetlaw District</p> <p>Bolsover District</p> <p>North East Derbyshire District</p> <p>Chesterfield Borough</p> | <p>capacity within Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire.</p> <p><b>This is a strategic matter.</b></p> | <p>planning work to understand impacts of planned growth on school capacity.</p> <p>Bassetlaw District Council is working with Nottinghamshire County Council to understand impacts of planned growth on education provision school capacity, and ensure all relevant impacts are appropriately addressed.</p> | <p>Based on this work, all parties have a clear understanding of infrastructure needs and these are being effectively planned for through infrastructure planning work.</p> |
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|                                 |                                |                                       |   |  |
|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council |                                       | North Derbyshire Infrastructure Planning Group, the authorities have shared their strategic options during the plan making process at these meetings. This has led to the identification of where planned growth in the districts is likely to put extra pressure on schools serving more than one authority area and where mitigation is required. | To use the common evidence base to inform/refine site allocations in emerging planning policy documents. |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |                                       |   |  |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |                                       |   |  |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |                                       |   |  |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |                                       |   |  |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |                                       |   |  |
| <b>Retail</b>                   | ✓                              | ✓                                     | Different shopping requirements take place at a wider than district/borough level, however  | Chesterfield Borough, Bolsover District and North East Derbyshire  |

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|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council | there is no requirement to plan together in relation to this, making this a <b>cross boundary issue.</b> | District Retail and Centres Study 2018.  |         |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |  |  |         |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |  |  |         |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |  |  |         |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |  |  |         |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |  |  |         |

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|                                 |                                |  |   | Specific Sites  |
|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council | The need for a jointly agreed strategy to bring forward this cross boundary site | The setting up of the Coalite Project Control Board to deliver the clean-up and development of the site | Based on this work, an agreed comprehensive policy approach in Local Plans has been established. A separate Statement of Common Ground on this issue has been prepared. |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |  |   |   |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |  |   |   |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |  |   |   |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |  |   |   |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |  |   |   |
| <b>Markham Vale Area</b>        |                                |  | The delivery of employment land and Multi –User trails around Markham Vale.                             | Local Plan Liaison Groups; formal comments made on each other's local plans; officer  |

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| Local Plan Strategic Priorities | Primary Authority Affected     | Strategic Matter/Cross Boundary Issue   | How The Authorities Have Worked Together  | Outcome  |
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|                                 |                                |   |   |  |
|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council | <b>This is a cross boundary issue</b> because it relates to the delivery of employment land and its associated infrastructure and the inter connectivity of Multi-User Trails over three local authority areas. | conversations, meetings involving multi-disciplinary officers at various levels.<br>Funding from D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership and Derbyshire County Council (2016) | Agreed to work together to identify and resolve any emerging impacts, through the Local Plan Liaison Group in line with the culture of no surprises in this joint Statement of Common Ground.                                  |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |   | Identifying and mitigating any cross boundary impacts of emerging development proposals.  | Overarching agreement to recognise the ecological and historic value of the canal and to seek to protect and enhance this, for example by more moorings; linking routes for cycling and walking; and the promotion of tourism. |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |   |   |  |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |   |   |  |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |   |   |  |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |   |   |  |
| CBC Eastern Villages            | ✓                              | ✓   | Because new development can give rise to the need for additional infrastructure at a wider than district/borough level, <b>this is a cross boundary issue.</b>          | Derbyshire Project Delivery Group - Chesterfield Canal attended by DCC, CBC, NEDDC & Chesterfield Canal Trust.   |
| Chesterfield Canal              | ✓                              | ✓   | To safeguard and secure the restoration of Chesterfield canal.  | <b>This is a strategic matter.</b> The canal runs across two county and three local authority boundaries, and the potential economic   |

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| Local Plan<br>Strategic<br>Priorities | Primary Authority Affected        | Strategic Matter/Cross<br>Boundary Issue | How The Authorities<br>Have Worked Together   | Outcome   |
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|                                       | Nottinghamshire<br>County Council |  | benefits of realising full restoration could be quite significant.  | As not all of the canal in Derbyshire is navigable an ongoing commitment within Derbyshire to restore the route of Chesterfield Canal, and complementary policies in planning policy documents to achieve this. |
|                                       | Derbyshire County<br>Council      |  |   | Agreed policy approach in the North East Derbyshire Publication Draft Local Plan which covers the strategic planning issues arising from the development of the Avenue Strategic Site.                          |
|                                       | Bassetlaw District                |  |   | Potential transport impacts and other infrastructure needs such as education being addressed through individual planning applications.  |
|                                       | The Avenue<br>Strategic Site      |  | In addition, all three authorities have worked together on the A61 Growth Corridor Strategy aimed specifically at |   |

| Local Plan Strategic Priorities | Primary Authority Affected     | Strategic Matter/Cross Boundary Issue | How The Authorities Have Worked Together  | Outcome  |
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|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council |                                       | helping bring forward this site for development and developing a mitigation strategy to accommodate the demand for travel that this will bring about. | It is expected that planned growth for the current investment period within Asset Management Plan 6 (2015-2020) can be accommodated by the existing facilities.  |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |                                       | Sharing details of the proposed quantum and location of sites in emerging work and discussing the issue with Yorkshire Water                          | Beyond this, based on the expected trajectory for development being delivered through to 2033 it is expected that planned future improvements to increase the capacity of the existing facilities within Asset Management Plan 7 (2021-2025) and beyond will ensure that sufficient capacity will exist. |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |                                       | Potential capacity issue raised by Yorkshire Water  |  |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |                                       | <b>This is a cross boundary issue</b> as this WwTW deals with waste water from different authorities, and could have an impact on two or more areas.  |  |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |                                       |   |  |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |                                       |   |  |
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| Local Plan Strategic Priorities                          | Primary Authority Affected     | Strategic Matter/Cross Boundary Issue  | How The Authorities Have Worked Together   | Outcome   |
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|  | Nottinghamshire County Council |  |  | Ongoing consultation with English Heritage; Historic England; and neighbouring authorities on Local Plan preparation and specific development proposals.  |
|  | Derbyshire County Council      |  | Impact of development proposals on the setting of Heritage Assets of national significance.<br><br>Although these heritage assets have statutory protection under development control, it is also important to protect the settings of these iconic buildings.<br><b>This is a strategic matter.</b> | Ongoing consultation with English Heritage; Historic England; and neighbouring authorities on Local Plan preparation and specific development proposals.  |
|  | Bassetlaw District             |  |  |   |
|  | Bolsover District              |  |  |   |
|  | North East Derbyshire District |  |  |   |
|  | Chesterfield Borough           |  |  |   |
| Bolsover Castle/<br>Hardwick Hall/ Sutton Scarsdale Hall | ✓ ✓ ✓                          | Impact of development proposals on the setting of Heritage Assets of national significance.<br><br>Although these heritage assets have statutory protection under development control, it is also important to protect the settings of these iconic buildings.<br><b>This is a strategic matter.</b> | The comprehensive managements of the Creswell Crags Proposed World Heritage Site through plan making.<br><b>This is a strategic matter.</b>  | As the Proposed World Heritage Site straddles the Bolsover / Bassetlaw and Derbyshire / Nottinghamshire District and County borders, the authorities have worked together to ensure a comprehensive policy approach is taken to the |
| Creswell Crags   | ✓ ✓ ✓                          |  |  | Based on this work, an agreed comprehensive policy approach in Local Plans has been established.  |

| Local Plan Strategic Priorities                            | Primary Authority Affected     | Strategic Matter/Cross Boundary Issue  | How The Authorities Have Worked Together  | Outcome   |
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|  | Nottinghamshire County Council |  | site and its setting, both in terms of built and minerals / waste developments. This work has involved input from Historic England, UNESCO and the landowner. | Ongoing commitment to develop the site through complementary policies in planning policy documents to achieve this. |
|  | Derbyshire County Council      |  | In assessing the impact of the original proposals and continuing consultation on planning applications.   |   |
|  | Bassetlaw District             |  |   |   |
|  | Bolsover District              |  |   |   |
|  | North East Derbyshire District |  |   |   |
|  | Chesterfield Borough           |  |   |   |
| <b>Former Steetley Quarry, Now Explore Industrial Park</b> | ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓                      | Existing cross boundary site with planning permission from both authorities.   | <b>This is a strategic matter</b> that has been dealt with previously. However, the planning permissions have still to be implemented in full.                | Through the two county councils, and infrastructure planning work.  |
| <b>Footpaths and Green Infrastructure</b>                  | ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓                      | Need to ensure that footpaths, Multi User Trails and green infrastructure links seamlessly across county boundaries. | Ongoing commitment to link these where appropriate, and to have complementary policies in planning documents to achieve this.                                 |   |

| Local Plan Strategic Priorities | Primary Authority Affected     | Strategic Matter/Cross Boundary Issue                               | How The Authorities Have Worked Together | Outcome |
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|                                 |                                |   |  |         |
|                                 | Nottinghamshire County Council | The designation of new footpaths is a County Council responsibility |  |         |
|                                 | Derbyshire County Council      |   |  |         |
|                                 | Bassetlaw District             |   |  |         |
|                                 | Bolsover District              |   |  |         |
|                                 | North East Derbyshire District |   |  |         |
|                                 | Chesterfield Borough           |   |  |         |