Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment

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A Compliance with SEA Directive and Regulations

SEA Requirement	SA Report Section
Production of an environmental report in which the likely significant effects on the environment of implementing the plan or programme, and reasonable alternatives taking into account the objectives and geographical scope of the plan or programme, are identified, described and evaluated. The information to be given is (Art. 5 and Annex 1)	This requirement is covered by the Sustainability Appraisal Report and the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report.
a) An outline of the contents, main objectives of plan or programme, and relationship with other relevant plans programmes;	The contents and main objectives of the Core Strategy are included in Section 1 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report. The Core Strategy's relationship with other relevant plans and programmes is addressed in the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and associated topic papers.
b) The relevant aspects of the current state of the environment and the likely evolution thereof without implementation of the plan or programme;	Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and associated topic papers. Section 3 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report.
c) The environmental characteristics of areas likely to be significantly affected;	Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and associated topic papers. Section 3 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report.
d) Any existing environmental problems which are relevant to the plan or programme including, in particular, those relating to any areas of a particular environmental importance, such as areas designated pursuant to Directives 79/409/EEC and 92/43/EEC;	Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and associated topic papers. Section 3 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report.
e) The environmental protection objectives, established at international, community or national level, which are relevant to the plan or programme and the way those objectives and any environmental considerations have been taken into account during its preparation;	Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and associated topic papers. Section 3 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report.

f) The likely significant effects (1) on the environment, including issues such as biodiversity, population, human health, fauna, flora, soil, water, air climatic factors, material assets, cultural heritage including architectural and archaeological heritage, landscape and the interrelationship between the above factors;	Sections 4 -6 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report.
g) The measures envisaged to prevent, reduce and as fully as possible offset any significant adverse effects on the environment of implementing the plan or programme.	Sections 5 -6 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report and associated appendices.
h) An outline of the reasons for selecting the alternatives dealt with, and a description of how the assessment was undertaken including any difficulties (such as technical deficiencies or lack of know-how) encountered in compiling the required information;	Sections 5 -6 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report and associated appendices.
i) A description of the measures envisaged concerning monitoring in accordance with Article 10.	Section 7 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report and associated appendices.
j) A non-technical summary of the information provided under the above headings.	This will published alongside the Sustainability Report.
The report shall include the information that may reasonably be required taking into account current knowledge and methods of assessment, the contents and level of details in the plan or programme, its stage in the decision making process and the extent to which certain matters are more appropriately assessed at different levels in that process to avoid duplication of the assessment.	Included in the Sustainability Report
Consultation: • Authorities with environmental responsibility, when deciding on the scope and level of details of the information which must be included in the environments report. • Authorities with environmental responsibility and the public, shall be given an early and effective opportunity within appropriate timeframes to express their opinion on the draft plan or programme and the accompanying environmental report before the adoption of the plan or programme. • Other EU member States, where the implementation of the plan or programme is likely to have significant effects on the environment of the country.	These are being consulted alongside the Core Strategy.

Taking the environment report and the results of the consultations into account in decision-making.	
Provision of information on the decision: When the plan or programme is adopted, the public and any countries consulted under Art. 7 must be informed and the following made available to those informed: • The plan or programme as adopted • A statement summarising how environmental considerations have been integrated into the plan or programme and how the environmental report of Article 5, the opinions expressed pursuant to Article 6 and the results of consultations entered into pursuant to Art. 7 have been taken into account in accordance with Art. 8, and the reasons for choosing the plan or programme as adopted, in light of the other reasonable alternatives dealt with; and • The measure decided concerning monitoring (Art. 9)	N/A until adoption
Monitoring of the significant environmental effects of the plan's or programme's implementation (Art. 10)	Section 7 of the Sustainability Appraisal Report and associated appendices

B Significant effect sustainability criteria

Sustainability Objective 1	**To improve accessibility and transport links from residential areas to key services, facilities and employment areas and enhance access to natural environment and recreational opportunities**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will lead to a significant reduction in need to travel by all forms of transport and traffic volumes will decrease Significant reduction in private car use Significantly increased use of sustainable transport modes to replace current car journeys
+	Policy/option will lead to a reduction in need to travel by all forms of transport and traffic volumes will decrease reduction in private car use increased use of sustainable transport modes to replace current car journeys
?	Effect is uncertain
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to an increase in need to travel by all forms of transport and traffic volumes will decrease increased in private car use developments will have impact on local road network
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to a significant increase in need to travel by all forms of transport and traffic volumes will decrease Significant increase in private car use developments will have an adverse impact on local road network

Sustainability Objective 2	**Ensure that new housing provided meets the housing needs of the area, provide affordable and decent housing for all**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option has no adverse effects on housing provision or strongly supports a wide range of dwellings to meet needs of all community
+	Policy/option has no adverse effects on housing provision or supports a wide range of dwellings to meet needs of all community

?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option makes no provision for housing Policy/option will reduce opportunities for housing
-- Significant effect	Policy/option makes no provision for housing Policy/option will significantly reduce opportunities for housing

Sustainability Objective 3	**Improve overall levels of physical and mental health, reduce the disparities between different groups and different areas**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will lead to a significant improvements in levels of physical and mental health Potential to significantly improve current situation
+	Policy/option will lead to an increase of healthcare facilities and other services/facilities that encourage healthy lifestyles and reduce disparities Potential improve current situation
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to loss of healthcare facilities and other services/facilities that encourage healthy lifestyles and reduce disparities Limited mitigation or inadequate mitigation
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to significant loss of healthcare facilities and other services/facilities that encourage healthy lifestyles and reduce disparities No mitigation or inadequate mitigation

Sustainability Objective 4	**To improve community safety, reduce the incidences of crime and the fear of crime and anti social behaviour – a safe place to live**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will lead to a significant decrease in crime or fear of crime Potential to significantly improve current situation
+	Policy/option will lead to decrease in crime or fear of crime Potential to improve the current situation
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to an increase in crime of the fear of crime Limited mitigation proposed
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to a significant increase in crime or the fear of crime No mitigation or inadequate mitigation measures

Sustainability Objective 5	**Value and nurture a sense of belonging in a cohesive community whilst respecting diversity**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will lead to significant opportunities for improving social cohesion Will lead to a significant increase in community services/facilities and other key facilities Will lead to a significant increase in rural community services/facilities or contribute to viability Potential to significantly improve current situation

+	Policy/option will lead to reduce social exclusion in new and existing communities Will lead to an increase in community services/facilities and other key facilities Will lead to an increase in rural community services/facilities or contribute to viability Potential to improve current situation
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to social exclusion Will lead to a loss of community services/facilities and other key facilities Will lead to a loss of rural community services/facilities or contribute to viability Limited mitigation proposed or there is potential for mitigation
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to significant social exclusion Will lead to a significant loss of community services/facilities and other key facilities Will lead to a significant loss of rural community services/facilities or contribute to viability No/inadequate mitigation proposed

Sustainability Objective 6	**To improve overall levels of education and skills**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will lead to significant increase educational or skills/training facilities Will lead to significant increase in skills needed to meet needs of local businesses or opportunities for businesses to retain skills in the area
+	Policy/option will lead to increase educational or skills/training facilities Will lead to increased skills needed to meet needs of local businesses or potential opportunities for businesses to retain skills in the area Limited mitigation or potential for

?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to loss of educational or skills/training facilities Will lead to loss of skills needed to meet needs of local businesses or loss of opportunities for businesses to retain skills in the area Limited mitigation or potential
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to significant loss of educational or skills/training facilities Will lead to significant loss of skills needed to meet needs of local businesses or significant loss of opportunities for businesses to retain skills in the area No/inadequate mitigation

Sustainability Objective 7	**To create healthy, clean and pleasant environments for people to enjoy living, working and recreating in and to protect and enhance residential amenity**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will lead to a significant improvements in environment and residential amenity Potential to significantly improve current situation
+	Policy/option will lead to an increase improvements in environment and residential amenity that encourage healthy lifestyles and reduce disparities Potential improve current situation
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect

-	Policy/option will lead to loss decline in environment and residential amenity Limited mitigation or inadequate mitigation
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to significant decline in environment and residential amenity No mitigation or inadequate mitigation

Sustainability Objective 8	**To protect, conserve and enhance biodiversity, geodiversity, wildlife habitats and green infrastructure to achieve a net gain and to avoid habitat fragmentation**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option has no adverse effects on biodiversity, geodiversity, wildlife or GI Have significant positive effects on existing Protection is strongly promoted Will offer significant opportunities for restoration, enhancement or creation
+	Policy/option has no adverse effects on biodiversity, geodiversity, wildlife or GI Have positive effects on existing may offer opportunities for restoration, enhancement or creation
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Limited adverse effects on biodiversity, geodiversity, wildlife or GI Limited mitigation required or potential for mitigation
-- Significant effect	Significant adverse effects to protected site, protected species, loss or damage to woodland No mitigation or inadequate measures or problematic

Sustainability Objective 9	**To protect and enhance the quality, character and local distinctiveness of the natural and cultural landscape and the built environment**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option offer significant opportunities to enhance local character and distinctiveness
+	Policy/option offer opportunities to enhance local character and distinctiveness
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Limited adverse effects on landscape or setting Limited mitigation required or potential for mitigation
-- Significant effect	Significant adverse effects on designated site or setting No mitigation or inadequate measures or problematic

Sustainability Objective 10	**Protect and enhance sites, features and areas of historic, archaeological, architectural and artistic interest and their setting**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will have no adverse effects Strongly promotes protection and enhancement of historic environment Offer significant opportunities to enhance significance of designated asset
+	Policy/option will have no adverse effects opportunities to enhance local character and distinctiveness
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect

-	Limited adverse effects on grade II listed building park or garden or heritage assets of local importance, or their setting Limited mitigation required or potential for mitigation
-- Significant effect	Significant adverse effects on designated site or setting of highest significance ie SAM Grade I II* registered parks etc Significant adverse effects on grade II listed building park or garden or heritage assets of local importance, or their setting No mitigation or inadequate measures or problematic

Sustainability Objective 11	**Reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases and impact of climate change (adaptation and mitigation)**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will have no adverse effects on climate change Significant opportunities to reduce existing levels of carbon emissions Significant and achievable adaptation measures that deal with likely future climate change impacts
+	Policy/option will have no adverse effects Some opportunities to reduce existing levels Appropriate adaptation measures have been considered
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to an increase in emissions Limited mitigation required or potential for mitigation limited adaptation measures have been considered to deal with likely future climate change
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to a significant increase in emissions No mitigation/inadequate proposed Appropriate adaptation measures have not been considered to deal with likely future climate change

Sustainability Objective 12	**To maintain or improve local air quality**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will have no adverse effects on air quality or pollution Significant opportunities to improve situation
+	Policy/option will have no adverse effects on air quality or pollution potential to improve situation
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to adverse effect on air quality or other pollution, such a noise, light, odour, vibration. Lead to development that will increase these issues Limited mitigation proposed or potential for mitigation
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to significant adverse effect on air quality or other pollution, such a noise, light, odour, vibration. Lead to development that will increase these issues Limited mitigation proposed or potential for mitigation

Sustainability Objective 13	**Maintain or improve the quality of ground and surface water resources and minimise the demand for water**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will lead to significant reduction in demand for water Significant improvements to water quality (ground and surface) Good measures to adapt to future climate change impacts Significant opportunities to improve situation and further reduce demand for water in future

+	Policy/option will lead to reduction in demand for water No adverse effects to water quality (ground and surface) measures to adapt to future climate change impacts and other opportunities to improve situation and further reduce demand for water in future
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to limited increases in demand for water and/or Limited adverse effects to water quality (ground and surface) Limited measures to adapt to future climate change impacts and other opportunities to improve situation and further reduce demand for water in future have been considered
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to significant increases in demand for water and/or Significant adverse effects to water quality (ground and surface) Measures to adapt to future climate change impacts and other opportunities to improve situation and further reduce demand for water in future have not been considered No mitigation/inadequate mitigation measures

Sustainability Objective 14	**Reduce impact of flooding and avoid additional risk**
++ Significant Effect	No flood risk Policy/option will lead to significant benefits in reducing flood risk Good measures to adapt to future climate change impacts
+	No flood risk Policy/option will lead to limited benefits in reducing flood risk some measures to adapt to future climate change impacts and other suitable mitigation measures considered

?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to limited increased risk in flooding or exacerbate an existing issue Some consideration of measures to adapt to future climate change impacts and other opportunities to improve situation
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to significant increased risk in flooding or exacerbate an existing issue No consideration of measures to adapt to future climate change impacts and other opportunities to improve situation No mitigation/inadequate mitigation measures

Sustainability Objective 15	**Ensure efficient use of land and maintain the resource of productive soil**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option promotes development on PDL Significantly positive if higher density in more sustainable locations or remediation
+	Policy/option promotes development on PDL Not significantly positive in less sustainable locations
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option promoted development on greenfield land Limited mitigation proposed or possible i.e high density or existing buildings/regeneration
-- Significant effect	Policy/option promotes or will lead to significant loss of greenfield land or best or most versatile agricultural land No mitigation/inadequate mitigation measures

Sustainability Objective 16	**Ensure the efficient use of minerals and primary resources**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option significantly promotes efficient use of minerals and primary resources
+	Policy/option promotes efficient use of minerals and primary resources
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option promotes or will lead to significant increased use of minerals and primary resources Limited mitigation proposed or possible i
-- Significant effect	Policy/option promotes or will lead to significant increased use of minerals and primary resources No mitigation/inadequate mitigation measures

Sustainability Objective 17	**To mitigate climate change by minimising carbon based energy usage by increasing energy efficiency and to develop North Northamptonshire's renewable energy resource, reducing dependency on non-renewable resources**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will have no adverse effects on increasing energy efficiency, developing renewable energy resources or climate change Significant opportunities to reduce existing energy efficiency issues Significant and achievable adaptation measures that deal with likely future climate change impacts

+	Policy/option will have no adverse effects Some opportunities to reduce existing levels Appropriate adaptation measures have been considered
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to limited improvement in energy efficiency, developing renewable energy resources Limited mitigation required or potential for mitigation limited adaptation measures have been considered to deal with likely future climate change
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to no improvement in energy efficiency or developing renewable energy resources Limited mitigation required or potential for mitigation No adaptation measures have been considered to deal with likely future climate change

Sustainability Objective 18	**To reduce waste arisings and increase reuse, recycling and composting**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will lead to significant reduction in waste produced or promote reduction, reuse and recycling
+	Policy/option will lead to reduction in waste produced or promote reduction, reuse and recycling
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to increase in waste produced Limited mitigation or potential for mitigation

-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to significant increase in waste produced No/inadequate mitigation proposed

Sustainability Objective 19	**Maintain and enhance employment opportunities and to reduce the disparities arising from unequal access to jobs**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will lead to significant reduction increase in the amount of employment land Will lead to an increase in viability of existing employment areas
+	Policy/option will lead to a reduction increase in the amount of employment land Will lead to an increase in viability of existing employment areas
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to loss of employment land Will lead to a reduction in viability of existing employment areas Limited mitigation proposed
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to significant loss of employment land Will lead to a significant reduction in viability of existing employment areas No/inadequate mitigation proposed

Sustainability Objective 20	**Retain and enhance the factors which are conducive to wealth creation, including personal creativity, infrastructure and the local strength and quality's that are attractive to visitors and investors**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will significantly benefit the local economy
+	Policy/option will benefit the local economy
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required
0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to an adverse effect on the local economy Limited mitigation proposed or potential for mitigation
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to a significant adverse effect on the local economy No/inadequate mitigation proposed or potential for mitigation

Sustainability Objective 21	**Protect and enhance the vitality and viability of town centres and market towns**
++ Significant Effect	Policy/option will significantly benefits for town centre regeneration or regeneration in other areas such as evening economy
+	Policy/option will have benefits for town centre regeneration or regeneration in other areas such as evening economy
?	Effect is uncertain and further information is required

0	Option would have a neutral effect
-	Policy/option will lead to an adverse effect on the town centre regeneration or regeneration in other areas such as evening economy Limited mitigation proposed or potential for mitigation
-- Significant effect	Policy/option will lead to a significant adverse effect on town centre regeneration or regeneration in other areas such as evening economy No/inadequate mitigation proposed

C Sustainability Framework

	SA TOPIC	SA OBJECTIVE
Theme/Topic	Social progress which recognises the needs of everyone	
1	Accessibility	To improve accessibility and transport links from residential areas to key services, facilities and employment areas, enhance access to natural environment and recreational opportunities
2	Housing	Ensure that new housing provided meets the housing needs of the area, provide affordable and decent housing for all
3	Health	Improve overall levels of physical, mental and social well-being, and reduce disparities between different groups and different areas
4	Crime	To improve community safety, reduce the incidences of crime and the fear of crime, a safe place to live
5	Community	Value and nurture a sense of belonging in a cohesive community whilst respecting diversity
6	Skills	To improve overall levels of education and skills
7	Liveability	To create healthy, clean and pleasant environments for people to enjoy living, working and recreating in and to protect and enhance residential amenity
Theme/Topic	**Effective protection of the environment**	
8	Biodiversity	To protect, conserve and enhance biodiversity,geodiversity wildlife habitats and green infrastructure to achieve a net gain and to avoid habitat fragmentation
9	Landscape	To protect and enhance the quality, character and local distinctiveness of the natural and cultural landscape and the built environment

10	Cultural Heritage	Protect and enhance sites, features and areas of historic, archaeological, architectural and artistic interest and their settings
11	Climate Change	Reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases, impact of climate change (adaptation)
Theme/Topic	**Prudent Use of natural resources**	
12	Air	To maintain or improve local air quality
13	Water	Maintain or improve the quality of ground and surface water resources and minimise the demand for water
14	Natural Hazard	Reduce the impact of flooding and avoid additional risk
15	Soil and Land	Ensure the efficient use of land and maintain the resource of productive soil
16	Minerals	Ensure the efficient use of minerals and primary resources
17	Energy Use	To mitigate climate change by minimising carbon based energy usage by increasing energy efficiency and to develop North Northamptonshires renewable energy resource, reducing dependency on non-renewable resources.
18	Waste	To reduce waste arisings and increase reuse, recycling and composting
Theme/Topic	**Maintenance of economic growth and employment**	
19	Employment	Maintain and enhance employment opportunities and to reduce the disparities arising from unequal access to jobs
20	Wealth Creation	Retain and enhance the factors which are conducive to wealth creation, including infrastructure and the local strengths and qualities that are attractive to visitors and investors
21	Town Centres	Protect and enhance the vitality and viability of town centres and market towns

D Sustainability Framework Decision making criteria

SA TOPIC	SA OBJECTIVE	2011 SA DECISION MAKING CRITERIA (will the option or policy:)
Social progress which recognises the needs of everyone		
Accessibility	To improve accessibility and transport links from residential areas to key services, facilities and employment areas and enhance access to natural environment and recreational opportunities	• Improve access for the disabled? • Improve access to public transport? • Improve public transport services? • Improve access to local services and facilities? • Improve access to IT? • Improve access by foot or cycle? • Ensure services are located to maintain the viability of settlements? • Reduce the need to travel? • Reduce travel distances (particularly journey to work)?
Housing	Ensure that new housing provided meets the housing needs of the area provide affordable and decent housing for all	• Reduce homelessness? • Provide enough affordable housing to meet need from all sections of the community? • Reduce the number of unfit homes? • Provide housing to meet local needs in the rural area? • Provide a range of house types and sizes? • Facilitate provision of new homes in communities with sense of place and adequate access to facilities? • Facilitate provision of new homes which are easy to maintain and heat and which minimise the impact on the environment?
Health	Improve overall levels of physical and mental	• Address health and welfare needs and inequalities in the area?

SA TOPIC	SA OBJECTIVE	2011 SA DECISION MAKING CRITERIA (will the option or policy:)
	health, reduce the disparities between different groups and different areas	• Encourage healthy lifestyles (including travel choices)? • Improve sporting or recreational facilities and access to them? • Improve access to high quality health facilities • Increase no.of people in urban areas with access to public open space
Crime	To improve community safety, reduce the incidences of crime and the fear of crime crime and anti-social behaviour – a safe place to live	• Reduce incidences of crime? • Reduce the fear of crime? • Ensure design and layout minimises the opportunity for crime? • Provide safer communities and help to create safer communities?
Community	Value and nurture a sense of belonging in a cohesive community whilst respecting diversity	• Increase the ability of people to influence decisions? • Improve cultural diversity? • Create or sustain a vibrant community? • Encourage engagement in community activities? • Meet specific needs of a section of the community • Will it maintain and enhance community facilities and provide locations for community level activities and organisations?
Skills	To improve overall levels of education and skills	• Improve access to educational/learning or training facilities for all ages? • Will it help to improve peoples skills? • Will it improve uptake of learning and training in urban and rural areas?
Liveability	To create healthy, clean and pleasant environments for people to enjoy living, working and recreating in and to protect and	• Reduce noise pollution? • Improve the cleanliness of the environment? • Reduce unpleasant odours?

SA TOPIC	SA OBJECTIVE	2011 SA DECISION MAKING CRITERIA (will the option or policy:)
	enhance residential amenity	• Improve the satisfaction of people with their neighbourhoods? • And improve /safeguard tranquillity • Minimise light pollution or reduce or remove light pollution
Effective protection of the environment		
Biodiversity	To protect, conserve and enhance biodiversity,geodiversity, wildlife habitats and green infrastructure to achieve a net gain an to avoid habitat fragmentation	• Protect and enhance sites of acknowledged importance for wildlife (SSSIs, CWS, LNRs)? • Avoid harm to and enhance opportunities for protected species and others listed in the Northamptonshire Red Data Book? • Create habitats of value for wildlife in particular those which meet BAP target? • Improve the connectivity of green spaces and green networks? • Improve appropriate access to natural areas? • Avoid fragmentation of habitats? • Create new greenspace networks? • Improve management of habitats? • Will it allow biodiversity to adapt to the impacts of climate change?
Landscape	To protect and enhance the quality, character and local distinctiveness of the natural and cultural landscape and the built environment	• Ensure that landscape character, including historic landscape character, and townscape assessments are used to assess the capacity of areas to absorb new development thereby influencing the location and scale of development • Ensure landscape Character Assessment influences design of the built environment and networks of green infrastructure • Maintain and enhance the quality of the built environment? • Protect, maintain, enhance and expand good quality of open

SA TOPIC	SA OBJECTIVE	2011 SA DECISION MAKING CRITERIA (will the option or policy:)
		space within and adjacent to settlements? • Create buildings and spaces that are attractive, functional, adaptable and durable that compliment, enhance and support local character? • Encourage the re-use of and refurbishment of the existing built environment?
Cultural Heritage	Protect and enhance sites, features and areas of historic, archaeological, architectural and artistic interest and their settings	• Protect and enhance sites, features and areas of historical, archaeological and cultural value and their setting? • Protect and enhance sites of geological value?
Climate Change	Reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases and impact of climate change (adaptation)	• Reduce emissions of greenhouse gases? • Increase tree cover? • Ensure adaptability of environments and buildings to natural hazards? • Promote resource efficient buildings? • Encourage innovation in sustainable design and construction?
Prudent Use of natural resources		
Air	To maintain or improve local air quality	• Reduce traffic related pollution? • Minimise or reduce light pollution? • Reduce levels of dust or particulates?
Water	Maintain or improve the quality of ground and surface water resources and minimise the demand for water	• Minimise or reduce the risk of pollution to water? • Encourage water efficiency? • Will it reduce levels of pollution to water (SUDS)? • Reduce water consumption? • Ensure capacity of available water resources, taking into account climate change?

SA TOPIC	SA OBJECTIVE	2011 SA DECISION MAKING CRITERIA (will the option or policy:)
Natural Hazard	Reduce the impact of flooding and avoid additional risk	• Reduce the risk of/effects of flooding, taking into account climate change? • Encourage Sustainable Drainage Systems? • Ensure adaptability of environments and buildings to natural hazards?
Soil and Land	Ensure the efficient use of land and maintain the resource of productive soil	• Maintain the best and most versatile agricultural land? • Reduce the risk of land contamination • Remediate contaminated land? • Minimise the loss of green field land? • Maximise the use of Brownfield land? • Maximise densities?
Minerals	Ensure the efficient use of minerals and primary resources	• Avoid the sterilisation of known minerals reserves? • Promote the appropriate use of primary and secondary aggregates? • Will it make use of previously developed land or buildings?
Energy Use	To mitigate climate change by minimising carbon based energy usage by increasing energy efficiency and to develop North Northamptonshires renewable energy resource, reducing dependency on non-renewable resources.	• Minimise or reduce energy use? • Promote energy efficient buildings? • Help develop the areas renewable energy resource? • Reduce the dependency on non-renewable resources? • Encourage the development of renewable energy generation schemes (eg. Wind)? • Encourage community heating schemes or combined heat and power? • Encourage small scale schemes in developments (eg. Solar)
Waste	To reduce waste arisings and increase reuse, recycling and composting	• Promote resource efficient buildings? • Encourage the use of recycled materials? • Reduce the production of waste?

SA TOPIC	SA OBJECTIVE	2011 SA DECISION MAKING CRITERIA (will the option or policy:)
Maintenance of high and stable levels of economic growth and employment		
Employment	Maintain and enhance employment opportunities and to reduce the disparities arising from unequal access to jobs	• Provide new jobs? • Encourage efficient patterns of movement? • Increase the proportion of knowledge based and high tech businesses? • Will it sustain and promote jobs in urban and rural areas? • Increase the diversity and quality of employment opportunities in the rural area • Will it utilise and enhance the existing infrastructure? • Will it help maintain a transport network that minimises the impact on the environment? • Will it help sustain existing businesses?
Wealth Creation	Retain and enhance the factors which are conducive to wealth creation, including personal creativity, infrastructure and the local strengths and qualities that are attractive to visitors and investors	• Encourage enterprise and innovation? • Exploit opportunities for new technologies? • Enhance and promote the image of the area as a business and a sustainable tourist location? • Improve House price/earnings ratio?
Town Centres	Protect and enhance the vitality and viability of town centres and market towns	• Retain and develop a wide range of uses, attractions and amenities? • Ensure good accessibility to and within the centre? • Attract continuing investment in development or refurbishment • Encourage the evening economy • Encourage increased housing

E Policy Option Assessment Matrix

		SA Objectives																					
	Option	accessibility	housing	health	crime	community	skills	liveability	biodiversity	landscape	cultural heritage	climate change	air	water	natural hazards	soil and land	minerals	energy use	waste	employment	wealth creation	town centres	Commentary
Protecting and enhancing assets																							
Draft Policy 1 - Historic Environment	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+/?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Option 2 is the more favourable option as it scores higher in terms of positive effects on heritage sustainability objectives and will lead to more consistent benefits over a wider area.
	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	++/?	++/?	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	
Draft Policy 2 - Landscape Character	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	+	+/?	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Option 2 is likely to offer much stronger protection of the natural environment and this is reflected in the assessment.
	2	+		0	0	0	0	+	++	++	++	+	0	0	0	+	0	0	+		+	0	
Draft Policy 3 - Biodiversity and Geodiversity	1	0	0	+/?	0	0	0	+	+	+	0	+/?	+/?	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	Option 2 is likley to give wider benefits across the range of sustainability obejctives. There are no significant adverse effects envisaged but significant benefits relating to protection and enhancement of biodiversity, improving air and water quality, whilst minimising other forms of environmental pollution and protecting and ehancing the quality of landscapes. The protection of existing assets remains the same through new development. However it is uncertain how the additional Biodviersity offsetting will affect viability of some development.
	2	0	–	+/?	0	+	0	+	++	++	0	+	+	++	+	0	+	0	0	–	0	0	
Draft Policy 4 - Water Environment and Flood Risk Management	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+/?	0	0	0	0	++	+/?	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	Option 2 gives wider benefits across the range of of sustainability objectives to offer much stronger protection of the natural environment in terms of flood risk, however measures to reduce rate of rainwater and improve filtration to soil and ground should be included.
	2	0	0	+	+	0	0	0	++	0	0	+	0	++	++	0	0	0	0	0	+/?	0	
Draft Policy 5 - Community Assets	1	+	0	+/?	0	+	0	?	0	0	0	?	?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Option 2 provides a much more detail than is currently covered in the existing policies. Option 2 sets out a robust framework to protect existing facilities and a clear framework for provision of new facilities and will have long-term social benefits with more minor positive impacts for transport and climate change through reducing the need to travel.
	2	++	0	+	0	++	0	+	0	0	0	+/?	+/?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	

Ensuring High Quality Development																								
Draft Policy 6 - Designing Sustainable Places	1	+	+	+	+	+	O	+	+	O	+/?	+	+	O	O	O	O	+	O	O	O	O	Generally both options score similarly when measured against the sustainability objectives. Whilst Option 2 provides a clearer set of design principles than option 1, which have been updated to reflect the Urban Structures Study work, it takes a step back from option 1 as some elements are no longer included.
	2	+	+	+	-/?	+	O	+	+	O	+/?	+	+	O	O	O	O	+	O	O	O	O	
Draft Policy 7 - Sustainable Buildings	1	+	-	+	O	O	+	+	+	O	O	+	O	+	-/?	O	O	+	+	-	O	O	Option 2 is considered the most favourable option against all sustainability objectives and the only one likely to lead to significant benefits. It proposes similar requirements to Option 1 to a wider range of developments than current policy, accords with the proposed changes to Building Regulations Part L which will come into force at a national level over the few years.
	2	++	-	+	O	O	++	+	+	O	O	++	O	++	-/?	O	O	++	++	-	O	O	
Draft Policy 8 - Allowable Solutions	1	O	-	-	O	-	O	-	-	O	O	- -	-	-	- -	O	O	46+M	O	O	O	O	Option 2 is considered the most favourable option against all sustainability objectives and the only one likely to lead to significant benefits. Whilst in reality it is likely to proposes similar requirements to Option 1, which is a reliance on national policy, the implementation of Policy 2 will result in the application of national requirements on a local level and contribute to climate change adaptation and mitigation in North Northamptonshire. It also enhances and updates relevant green infrastructure and sustainable construction polices
	2	O	++	++	O	++	O	+	+	O	O	++	++	++	+	O	O	++	O	O	O	O	
Draft Policy 9 - Provision of Infrastructure	1	O	+	O	O	-	O	+	-	O	O	-	-	+	-	O/?	O	O	O	O	O	O	It is considered that Option 2, as an updated more flexible is likely to be able to make significant contributions towards biodiversity protection and enhancement through a GI network that can address habitat fragmentation caused by the cumulative impacts of developments,and provide many other health and wellbeing, recreational, economic and environmental benefits. Option 2 will also likely be the best vehicle for addressing impacts of developments that can often cover a wide area, including water resources, landscape issues, flooding and air quality. These impacts are often indirect and secondary, occurring away from the development site and occurring over a long period of time. Significant benefits could also be achieved through Option 2 in terms of social inclusion and cohesion, allowing local communities to be involved in decision-making over what funds get allocated to. Impacts of development often affect existing communities, putting pressure on local facilities and community services.
	2	+	-/?	+	O	++	O	+	O	O	O	++	++	++	++	O/?	O	O	O	O	O	O	

The Network of Urban and Rural Areas																							
Draft Policy 10 - Network of Urban and Rural Areas	1																						
	2	+/?	+/?	+/?	?	+/?	O	+/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	?	-/?	O/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	Options 4 and 5 are the only options where significant benefits are considered likely. However, although they might both lead to increased development, with housing provision and employment opportunities across a wider range of communities, much of this development would take place in communities that do not have the necessary infrastructure to cope. There would be significant pressures on the natural environment and substantial development in rural locations would increase the need to travel. Option 4 as a slightly more restrictive policy would be the preferable option as it also deals with rural smaller villages more specifically and affords them some guidance/protection
	3	O	+/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	+/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	?	?	O	-/?	-/?	O/?	-/?	O	-/?	
	4	+/?	++	+/?	?	+/?	O	+/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	
	5	+/?	++	+/?	?	+/?	O	+/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	
Draft Policy 11 - Settlement Design Principles	1	+	+	+	+	+	O	+	+	O	+/?	+	+	O	O	O	O	+	O	O	O	O	Significant effects are envisaged against sustainability objectives associated with housing, community and liveability. Option 2 enhances the design criteria in current policy, whilst reflecting the Urban Structures Study and the NPPF. Implementing a new comprehensive policy informed by latest guidance and best practice is likely to have a more positive effect than sticking with option 1
	2	+	++	+	0/?	++	O	++	+	O	+/?	+	+	O	O	O	O	+	O	O	O	+	
Draft Policy 12 - Town Centres																							Not being considered at this time.
Draft Policy 13 - Rural Exceptions	1	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	O/?	O	+/?	-/?	-/?	O	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	-/?	-/?	O/?	O	O	Significant effects are envisaged against sustainability objectives associated with housing, and liveability. Whilst both options 2 and 3 would provide policy guidance with regards to location of rural exception sites and also workers dwellings, option 2 would not be as detailed which allows flexibility to meet the needs and wishes of local communities if they agree that they need a different level of growth and can provide justification for this. A number of uncertain adverse effects have been predicted with all the options, particularly in respect of biodiversity, landscape, and climate change. However, the significance of many of these effects will depend on the location, type and size of any development proposed
	2	+	++	O	O/?	+	O	++	-/?	-/?	O	-/?	O	O	O	O	O	-/?	O	O	O	-/?	
	3	+	+	O	O/?	+	O	+	-/?	-/?	O	-/?	O	O	O	O	O	-/?	O	O	O	-/?	
Draft Policy 14 - Deenethorpe Airfilled Area of Opportunity	1 & 3	+/?	++	+/?	?	+/?	O	+/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	Any new village is likely to have adverse effects in relation to the sustainability objectives, due to their very nature. Sticking with the proposed strategy is considered to be the most favourable option in sustainability terms. However if a new village is required and appropriate then further works should be done on assessing alternatives and its justification.
	4	--	+	-/?	O	-/?	O	-/?	-	-	O	+/?	-	+/?	O	?	O	+/?	?	?	O	--	

Connections within and beyond North Northamptonshire																							
Draft Policy 15 - Well connected Towns, Villages and Neighbourhoods	1	+	+/?	O	+/?	+/?	O	+/?	O	-/?	O	+	+/?	O	O	-/?	O	O	O	O	O	O	Option 2 is considered the most favourable. It offers greater potential to meet the sustainability objectives in new developments, by ensuring that location and design are strongly considered during the initial assessment stages and also encourages linkages to the existing urban areas. In particular, there is significant potential to improve the overall quality of people's lives by improving both the natural and built environment. There should be significant benefits to wildlife through reductions in emissions and improvements to air quality.
	2	++	+/?	++	+	+	O	++	+	+	O	++	+	O	O	-/?	O	O	O	O	O	+	
Draft Policy 16 - connecting the network of settlements	1	+	O	+	+	+			O	+	+	+	+	?	+/?	?	O	+/?	O	+	+	+	Option 2 provides a number of significant positive effects, improvements to air quality and reduction in CO2 emissions, and also benefits to historic environment, and landscapes. It encourages sustainable travel and improves accessibility for all transport user in both existing and new development.
	2	+	O	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	++	++	++	?	+/?	?	O	+	O	+	+	+	
Draft Policy 17 - Connecting NN with surrounding areas	1	+/?	+/?	+/?	O/?	+/?	?O	+/?	- -	- -	O/?	-/?	-	?	- -	- -	O	+	O	+	+	+/?	Both of the options are similar in their aims and objectives; however, Option 2 clearly proposes new road schemes. These schemes are likely to have significant adverse environmental impacts on, such as loss of species and habitat, some of which will be irreversible. Option1 is therefore considered the more favourable because it is least damaging to the environment.
	2	+/?	+/?	+/?	O/?	+/?	?O	+/?	- -	- -	O/?	-/?	-	?	- -	- -	O	+	O	+	+	+/?	
Draft Policy 18 - HGV Parking	1	-/?	-/?	O	O	+/?	O	-/?	-/?	-/?	+/?	+/?	-/?	-	O	O	O	O	O	+/?	+/?	-/?	It is difficult to choose a more favourable option. Options 2 and 3 offer a better strategy with regarding to dealing with HGV parking. Both have extremely similar aims and objectives. Due to the nature of HGV parking there will always be some areas/communities that will suffer to some degree an adverse effect. Option 2 is probably slightly more favourable because it advocates the use of local knowledge in advancing suitable sites. It is considered that the criteria set out in the policy provide a sufficient framework for sites to be brought forward through planning applications or through Site Specific Plans
	2	+/?	+/?	O	O	+/?	O	+/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	-	O	O	O	O	+/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	
	3	+/?	+/?	O	O	+/?	O	+/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	-	O	O	O	O	+/?	+/?	+/?	+/?	

The Greenand Blue Infrastructure Framework																								
Draft Policy 19 - The dellivery of Green Infrastructure	1	+	O	O	O	+	O	O	+	+	O	O	+	+	O	+	O	O	O	O	O	O	No significant adverse effects are expected as a result of either of the options, however option 2 is felt to have a greater positive effect than option 1. In effect option 1 – do nothing has the potential to create uncertain effects as it will be unknown whether GI will be maintained, provided or enhanced without a policy option. Option 2 which provides for GI and aims to identify specific strategic GI goals should have a greater sustainability outcome.
	2	+	O	+	O	+	O	+	++	+	O	O	+	+	+	+	O	O	O	O	+	O	
Draft Policy 20 - Nene and Ise Valleys	1	+/?	O	O	+/?	O	O	+/?	+	+/?	O	+/?	O	+	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	No significant adverse effects are expected as a result of either of the options, however option 2 is felt to have a greater positive effect than option 1. This is because option 1 covers only general GI whilst option 2 focuses on the specific areas and is specific towards the requirements for the Nene and Ise Valley improvements. Option 1 does not achieve this specificity as it is a more general policy and as the Nene and Ise Valleys have been identified as priority sites it therefore felt to be less sustainable to have specific requirements.
	2	+/?	O	O	+/?	O	O	+/?	++	+	O	+	O	+	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	
Draft Policy 21 - Rockingham Forest	1	+/?	O	O	+/?	O	O	+/?	+	+/?	O	+/?	O	+	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	No significant adverse effects are expected as a result of either of the options, however option 2 is felt to have a greater positive effect than option 1. This is because option 1 covers only general GI whilst option 2 focuses on the specific areas and is specific towards the requirements for Rockingham Forest.
	2	+/?	O	O	+/?	O	O	+/?	++	+	O	+	O	+	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	

Dellivering Economic Prosperity																								
Draft Policy 22 - Delivering Economic Prosperity	1	+	O	O	O	O	+/?	O	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	+/?	O/?	++/-	++/-	+	Option 2 is more flexible in that will not restrict this employment growth to regeneration/urban extension sites or relocation from inappropriate premises. Policy should allow all communities to benefit from employment opportunities, allowing existing businesses to expand and attracting new businesses.
	2	+	O	O	O	+/?	+	O	-/?	--/?	-/?	-/?	--/?	-/?	-/?	--/?	O	+/?	O/?	++/-	++/-	+/?	
Draft Policy 23 - Distribution of new jobs	1	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	-/?	+	-/?	-/?	--/?	-/?	-/?	--/?	-/?	-/?	--/?	-/?	-/?	O/?	++	++	O/?	It is considered that Option 2 is the most favourable as it has the potential to recognises that employment opportunities should not be restricted to certain market towns but will benefit all communities. This option was also considered unlikely to have any (significant) adverse effects, in comparison to Option 1 which would have some.
	2	+/?	+/?	+/?	O	+/?	++	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O/?	++	++	O/?	
Draft Policy 24 - Strategic Distribution	1	-/?	O	-/?	O	-/?	+	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O/?	++	++	-O/?	Option 1 is more restrictive and only likely to significantly benefit certain areas, at the Eurohub. Option 2 is likely to have significant positive effects across all communities and is also likely to give greater economic and employment benefits as it is less restrictive
	2	++	O	+/?	O	+/?	++	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	- +/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O/?	++	++	-O/?	
Draft Policy 25 - Rural Economic Development and Diversification	1	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	O -	-	O	-/?	O	+	+	-O/?	Option 2 does not restrict future employment development just to existing sites and buildings but would allow appropriate new development. This is likely to have significant long term benefits for local businesses wishing to expand but not wanting to move away from the area. There will also be indirect, secondary benefits for other local businesses such as retail outlets and pubs and other essential services and facilities.
	2	++	O	+	+	+	+	+	-/?	O/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	O -	+	O	+/?	O	++	++	-O/?	
Draft Policy 26 - Renewable Energy	1	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	-/?	O	-	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	Options 2 and 3 are both likely to result in the only significant adverse effects of the options, overall option 2 is considered to be the most sustainable option because of the wide-ranging benefits it is likely to have against other sustainability objectives. These benefits include climate change mitigation which can have important indirect benefits for biodiversity, water resources, reducing flood risk, landscapes and human health. Generating more renewable energy will also help increase energy security and allow other forms of energy generation that rely on fossil fuels to be replaced. Option 1 relies upon saved policies which does not specifically cover standalone renewable energy installations and could not be achieving positive results across North Northamptonshire and this is not the preferred way to continue. Option 2 represents a site specific allocation and would not include potential other areas.
	2	O/?	O	O	O	O	+	O/?	+/-	- -	-/?	++	+/-	+/?	O/?	-/?	O/?	++	O	+	+	O/?	
	3	O/?	O	O	O	O	+	O/?	+/-	- -	-/?	+	+/-	+/?	O/?	-/?	O/?	++	O	+	+	O/?	
Draft Policy 27 - Rockingham MRC Enterprise Area	1	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	O -	-	O	-/?	O	+	+	-O/?	Options 2 is most likely to result in the significant effects on Rockingham MRC and is therefore considered to be the most sustainable option because of the wide-ranging benefits it is likely to have against other sustainability objectives. These benefits include employment, wealth creation and skills.
	2	++	O	+	+	+	+	+	-/?	O/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	O -	+	O	+/?	O	++	++	-O/?	

Delivering Homes																								
Draft Policy 28 - Housing Requirements and Strategic Opportunities	1	0/?	+	-/?	-/?	-/?	O	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	O -	-/?	-/?	-/?	Significant benefits are envisaged in terms of housing provision through both options. Both options provide certainty about locations for strategic growth and option 2 will also allow other settlements to choose the level of development they feel is appropriate.A number of adverse effects have been predicted with both options, which is to be expected as the policy is related to growth and use of resources. However, the significance of many of these effects will depend on the location, type and size of any development proposed. The strategic allocations are committed sites and it is not proposed to reassess them. With regards to the local requirements it is difficult to assess further impacts without greater knowledge of a particular development. Option 2, recognises the needs to plan for both natural growth, based upon past trends, as well as identifying clear aspirations to encourage further development.
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Draft Policy 29 - Distribution of new homes																								
Draft Policy 30 - housing mix and tenure	1	+	+	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	None of the options are expected to have a significant negative effect as the policy options do not involve land or development specifically. Most sustainability objectives are not applicable to this policy option and would expect to have a neutral effect. The only areas where differences can be seen between the policy options are the housing and social inclusion sustainability objectives. In relation to social inclusion, both Options 2 and 3 are likely to have benefits from new housing provision – the significance of effects will depend on level of housing and ability to meet community needs. For the housing policy area option 3 is felt to have the greatest positive effect as the local evidence should deliver the housing needs required at the local level, but not forgetting any strategic requirements.
	2	+	+	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	
	3	+	++	O	O	+	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	
Draft Policy 31 - Gypsies and Travellers	1	?	+	?/+	?	+	O	+	?	?	?	-/?	?	?	?	-/?	O	?	?	O	O	O		Option 2 is felt to be the most favourable option in terms of sustainability as it should deliver the pitches based on need. It scores positively with regards to housing and community as its aim to meets potential housing need to a greater degree than option 1
	2	?	++	?/+	?	++	O	+	-/?	?	?	-/?	?	?	?	-/?	O	?	?	O	O	O		

Delivering Infrastructure and Services																							
Draft Policy 32 - Infrastructure and Delivery Mechanisms	1	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	O/?	O/?	O/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	-/?	Option 2 is felt to be the most favourable option in terms of sustainability and when compared against the other proposed alternative. It is the only option capable of providing the wide range of infrastructure that will be needed across North Northamptonshire to meet need arising from proposed levels of housing and economic growth, and the only option that will allow the pooling of contributions in the long-term towards local and strategic infrastructure requirements to address the cumulative impacts of development.
	2	+/++	-/?	?/+	?/+	+/++	?/+	?/+	++	++	+	+	?/++	+/++	+/++	O/?	O/?	?/+	?/+	?/+	?/+	?/+	