

Community engagement in planning



Pembrokeshire Coast National Park

Local Development Plan Replacement



Workshop for Community and Town Councils

Pembroke Dock, 13th February 2017



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What do you want from this workshop ?





Workshop timetable





Why is the LDP being replaced ?

- We have looked again at the 2010 plan
- Some things are out of date and some are not working very well







Why is the LDP being replaced ?

- So we are producing a replacement plan
- Not a complete rewrite







Main Issues

- Housing / Affordable Housing
- Caravans and camping
- Employment
- Countryside development





LDP Review draft timetable (1)



LDP Review draft timetable (2)



Work undertaken to date (1)

□ Review Report ✓

□ Delivery Agreement ✓

❑ Candidate Site Submissions ✓



Work undertaken to date (1)

- □ Evidence ✓ ... ongoing website
- Draft Strategy... ongoing
- □ Engagement ...crucial ... ①





Workshop timetable





What is a Preferred Strategy ? (1)

- Agree key strategic policies
- Identify sites that fit with preferred strategy





What is a Preferred Strategy ? (2)

- Spatial Strategy (what is this ?)
- Replacement Plan also more detailed policies







- Local Service & Tourism Centre/ Canolfan Wasanaeth a Thwristiaeth Leol
- Local Centre/ Canolfan Leol
- Rural Centre/ Canolfan Gwledig
- A Road / Ffyrdd 'A'
- Trunk Road / Rhydwaith o Brif Ffyrdd
 Trans-European Road Network / Rhydwaith o Ffyrdd Traws-Ewropeaidd
- HH Railway / Rheilffordd
- 🕂 Airfield / Maes Awyr





Main Areas of Change / Themes emerging (1)

- New evidence
- Housing land supply (Candidate Sites later)
- Affordable housing
- Welsh language



Main Areas of Change / Themes emerging (2)

- Coastal flooding
- Caravans and camping
- Employment opportunities
- Farm diversification





Policy 45 – Affordable Housing (1)

- Include market housing areas with affordable housing percentages (new study)
- Provide for off site provision where 2 or fewer affordable houses will be delivered on site
- 3. Off site contributions on infill and rounding off and conversion

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Policy 45 – Affordable Housing (2)

- 4. Strengthen Plan re sites 'below' the threshold for delivery
- 5. Flexibility regarding affordable housing requirement
- 6. Phasing Table changed to a Trajectory



Welsh Language



- Identify areas where the Welsh language is an important part of everyday life;
- Require a language impact assessment of 'unanticipated' (windfall) proposals which are likely to impact on the Welsh language;
- Refuse development where negative impacts on language can't be managed.



Flooding & Coastal Erosion

- Emerging issue
- Coastal adaptation
- Identify areas at risk
- Help communities to adapt



The Bridge Inn at Newgale, seen around 1893, was on the sea side of the road, but it succumbed to a great gale in 1897. As a boy William Henry Davies, a shipwright from Solva, was sitting on the side of the hill on the east side of the beach when the inn was overcome by the ferocity of the storm. He watched as the licensee Mrs Allen was rescued by a horse and trap. Mrs Allen had the public house rebuilt on the other side of the road. The Royal Coat of Arms can be seen incorporated in the sign, as the then Duke of Edinburgh had called on his way to St David's, the name was changed to commemorate the royal visit.





Coastal Adaptation

- Two-pronged approach:
 - Limit or restrict development in 'at risk' areas
 - Identifying a policy approach for relocating affected properties and businesses

Adapting Coastal Infrastructure to Sea Level Rise and Land Loss







Policy 38 A Camping and Caravanning (1)

 Nearly 7,000 authorised camping and caravanning pitches in the National Park (55% of Pembrokeshire total)



 Policy of restraint for last twenty plus years





Policy 38 A Camping and Caravanning (2)

- Landscape Capacity Assessment Study (2015)
- Allows some small-scale camping and caravanning in some locations







Employment Policy 42 Strategy Policy (1)

- More flexible approach to site location:
 - Within or adjacent to Centres
 - Create clusters of related businesses in the countryside.





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Employment Policy 42 Strategy Policy (2)

• Further amendments following Candidate Site consultation – including site allocations ?





Policy 43A **New Farm Diversification**

 Required by Welsh Government (Planning Policy Wales)







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Candidate Site Process (1)

Not Public at present

More work to be done...

Experience previously (want to learn)





Candidate Site Process (2)

Without prejudice

Iterative process

Need to communicate with you (ongoing)



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Candidate Site Process (3)

Who gets what they want?

- Inspector decides
- Tests of Soundness:
 - Does it fit with Welsh Government policy ?
 - Does it fit with the area ?
 - Is it deliverable ?



How Sites Come Forward for Consideration (1)



- National Park Authority made a 'Call for Candidate Sites' – a time period given for people to submit proposals for land to be used.
- Proposers of land asked to complete a form and send details of the site - what, when and how they intend to develop.



How Sites Come Forward for Consideration (2)



- Candidate sites to be submitted by 25th November 2016.
- Sites can be submitted later in the process but are not likely to be included in the Plan.



How Sites are Assessed (1)

- Officers sift through sites to assess which are suitable / not suitable / need more information.
- Where is the site ?
- Consult agencies for expert advice – highways, water supply, sewerage, power supply, flooding etc.







How Sites are Assessed (2)

 Consult other experts on the impacts of development – protected habitats or species, specially designated areas (SSSI, SAC, Scheduled Ancient Monuments etc).





What else is required ? (1)

 Information from the landowner or developer about how and when they will start ...
(... and finish !) building the site.





What else is required ? (2)

 Is developing the site viable once all the necessary requirements and costs are taken into account ?









Candidate sites for future development

- Where are the sites ?
- Overview of sites
- Which sites are likely to enjoy local support ?
- Which sites wills be controversial?



Uncertainty about sites (1)

- Landowner unwilling to bring site forward
- Landowner changes mind / wants something else
- Welsh Water constraints
- Highway constraints
- Building costs change







Uncertainty about sites (2)

Areas prone to flooding change

Landscape Impact – National Park

□ Inspector

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□ Alternative Use Value

□ Viability – real costs not explored fully

New sites introduced later





Workshop timetable





Next Steps

- Community Pack prepared following workshops
- Formal period of consultation for 8 weeks (post 17th May)





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• Deposit Plan...

PCNPA Local Development Plan 2015 to 2031

Contact details: <u>devplans@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk</u>

LDP Revision Pages <u>http://www.pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk/default.asp?PID=753</u>



Why get involved ?

More capacity Less conflict Less waste Faster Fairer







What will help you and your communities to engage more effectively ?









Thank you for attending

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