

# Core Strategy Selective Review

## Duty to Co-operate Background Paper

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**Leeds LDF Core Strategy Selective Review: duty to co-operate**

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<i>Ref</i>	<i>Summary of the issue</i>	<i>Description of why it is an issue for neighbouring authorities</i>	<i>Details of the authorities affected by the issue</i>	<i>Evidence to show there is an issue (including links to source documents)</i>	<i>Details of how the issue can be overcome or managed</i>	<i>How the issue will be monitored including key indicators and trigger points</i>	<i>Agreed actions (including who is to lead &amp; timescale)</i>	<i>Relevant strategic priority in para 156</i>
<b>1</b>	<b>Reviewing the housing requirement in Policy SP6 and extending the plan period 2017 to 2033</b>							
	A housing requirement of 3,247 p.a. (51,952 net) over a new plan period 2017 – 2033.  This compares with the current requirement of 70000(net)	a. whether neighbouring local authorities need to accommodate any of Leeds' housing requirement  b. Whether a higher requirement would result in increased traffic and other pressures on neighbouring local authority infrastructure	Bradford, Craven, Harrogate, Selby, York, NYCC, Wakefield, Barnsley, Kirklees, Calderdale, Highways England	The results of the SHMA 2017 suggest: a. A sufficiently self-contained housing market b. housing need scenarios that would reduce the housing requirement taking account of population and household projections, migration and employment forecasts  DCLG Consultation September 2017 "The right homes in	By proposing 3,247 dwellings p.a. as the requirement rather than the DCLG scenario of 2,649, Leeds will have a requirement that accords with the REM employment forecast for Leeds (Spring 2017). This means that Leeds should have sufficient dwellings to accommodate forecast employment growth without attracting additional commuting from outside Leeds.			Homes and jobs needed in the area

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				the right places”				
<b>2</b>	<b>Incorporating National Housing Space and Accessibility Standards for new housing</b>							
	New housing in Leeds will have to be built to Nationally Described Space Standards and include percentages of accessible dwellings: 30% M4(2), 2% M4(3)	Differentials between new housing of Leeds and new housing of neighbouring local authorities in terms of size and accessibility.	Bradford, Craven, Harrogate, Selby, York, NYCC, Wakefield, Barnsley, Kirklees and Calderdale	Need: only 62% of dwellings permitted in Leeds meet the NDSS. Need for elderly and disabled households quantified in the SHMA 2017. The Economic Viability Study shows that the NDSS can be applied and 30% M4(2), 2% M4(3) accessible dwellings will be viable. RIBA: The Case for Space 2011	Ensuring standards are set at levels that maintain viability of housing development in Leeds.			Homes and jobs needed in the area
<b>3</b>	<b>Incorporating new national practice into policy regarding Code for Sustainable Homes by updating the wording for Policies EN1 and EN2</b>							
	Update the wording of Policies EN1 and EN2 to continue BREEAM requirements for non-residential development and to continue planning requirements (higher than Building	None	None	Written Ministerial Statement March 2015	n/a	n/a	n/a	Climate Change Mitigation

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	Regulations) for renewable energy and water consumption of new buildings, where feasible.							
<b>4</b>	<b>New Policy on Electric Vehicle Charging Points</b>							
	New policy to seek electric vehicle charging points in new development of 1 point per dwelling and 10% of commercial development parking spaces.	Improved air quality in Leeds and adjoining authorities	Neighbouring local authorities (Bradford, Harrogate, Selby, Wakefield and Kirklees)	Leeds City Council Air Quality Annual Status Report June 2017. Proposals for a Clean Air Zone.		Real Time Air Quality monitoring		Provision of health, community and cultural infrastructure.
<b>5</b>	<b>Updating policy on affordable housing set out in H5.</b>							
	Raising the targets for City Centre and Inner Zones from 5% to 7%. Maintaining the current targets of 15% for South Leeds and 35% for North Leeds zones. Maintaining the policy on mix of social rented (60%) and intermediate (40%) types of affordable	Affordable housing targets that do not fully meet local needs could result in households in need moving to neighbouring local authorities.	Neighbouring local authorities (Bradford, Harrogate, Selby, Wakefield and Kirklees)	The results of the SHMA 2017 show that Leeds has high need for affordable housing (1230 affordable dwellings per annum) and for a large proportion to be affordable for social tenants. The Economic Viability Study shows that existing targets for affordable housing	Leeds should seek to meet its own need for affordable housing so that households in need to not have to move to neighbouring local authorities.  Any proposed policy changes affecting the quantity or affordability of affordable dwellings sought will need to be viability tested.	Annual monitoring of affordable housing delivery		Homes and jobs needed in the area

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	housing.			cannot be increased				
<b>6</b>	<b>Reviewing the requirement for green space in new housing developments by amending Policy G4.</b>							
	The requirement for green space is being reduced from 80sqm/ dwelling to 40sqm/dwelling. Green space is being removed from the CIL “123” List so that S106 requirements can be sought.	Lack of provision of green space on new developments close to the LA boundary could result in higher useage of green spaces in neighbouring authorities	Neighbouring local authorities (Bradford, Harrogate, Selby, Wakefield and Kirklees)	Evidence of need for green space provided in the Leeds Open Space Sports and Recreation Assessment. The Economic Viability Study shows that only 40sqm/ dwelling can be viable.	Provision of sufficient green space as part of residential developments in Leeds to meet the need generated by the new residents of the development	Authority Monitoring Report		Provision of health, community and cultural infra-structure.

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