

Technical note:

Further Amendments to the SA of the Birmingham Development Plan – May 2015

1. Proposed Work

1.1 Appraisal of Further Reasonable Options

Consultation on the revised SA Report of March 2015 has prompted the need for the consideration of further reasonable options related to a proposed urban extension at Sutton Coldfield. To date, two strategic options have been appraised: “around 5,000 dwellings” and “up to 10,000 dwellings”. For completeness it is proposed that two further options are appraised: a small site (or number of small sites) in the range of 500 – 3,000 dwellings, and a mid-range option of around 7,500 dwellings. These additional options will be appraised on a comparable basis to the existing options to determine a preferred scale of development. Reasons for selecting the preferred option and rejecting alternatives will be set out.

If the appraisal of strategic options yields a different result to that previously found, a detailed appraisal of those sites which could accommodate the preferred scale of development will be undertaken.

1.2 Policy Appraisal

As part of Proposed Main Modifications to the BDP, the Inspector has identified the need for the inclusion of an additional policy on Minerals (TP15A) and an amended policy on the Provision for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople (TP33) which proposes two sites for allocation. These policies and sites will be appraised on a comparable basis to the existing appraisal of policies and sites in the BDP and included within the Revised SA Report.

2. Timescale

The above work will be completed by 5th June in the form of a Revised SA Report.

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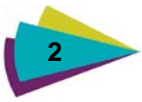
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