

Civic Quarter Area Action Plan

Main Modifications Consultation: Glossary

Adoption: The procedure by which a development plan document will become formal Council policy

Area Action Plan: A plan for a specific area where significant change is needed. It is a type of development plan document

Development plan documents: Documents which have been adopted by the Council and are used to determine planning applications and guide future development

Examination: An assessment undertaken by an independent examiner (such as a Planning Inspector) to ensure a development plan document meets legal requirements and is 'sound'

Habitats Regulations Assessment: A process which assesses the impact of implementing a development plan document on international protected sites for nature conservation

Inspector: An expert employed by the Planning Inspectorate to provide an independent and objective scrutiny of a development plan document

Integrated Assessment: A process which assesses the environmental, social, economic and equalities impact of a development plan document

Main Modifications: Changes to a development plan document which are needed in order to make it 'sound'

Minor Modifications: Changes to a development plan document which are less significant in their scope (for example, to address drafting errors)

Policies Map: A map which illustrates the policies and proposals of a development plan document and which allocates sites for particular uses

Regulation 18: This is the first stage of the consultation process when preparing a development plan document

Regulation 19: This is the second stage of the consultation process when preparing a development plan document

Soundness: Soundness means a robust and credible development plan document. For a development plan document to be found 'sound' it must be positively prepared (to meet development needs), justified, effective (deliverable) and consistent with national policy

Submission: The final stage in the preparation of a development plan document when it is submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination by an Inspector