

Craven Local Plan Sustainability Objectives – Quick Reference Summary

Extracted from Table 2 of the [Draft Sustainability Appraisal Interim Report](#)

SO1) Maximise employment opportunities within Craven
SO2) Maximise opportunities for economic and business growth
SO3) Promote equality and diversity, and foster community cohesion by reducing all forms of poverty
SO4) Enhance access for all to essential facilities
SO5) Promote physical, mental and social health and wellbeing
SO6) Enable all residents to live in suitable and affordable housing
SO7) Enable everyone to access a good standard of education and the ability to undertake relevant training and augment skill levels
SO8) Improve connectivity, reduce the need for travel, and ensure proposed developments have safe access
SO9) Reduce the risk and impacts of flooding on people, property and the environment including through the implementation of Sustainable Urban Drainage.
SO10) Protect and enhance the natural and agricultural conditions to maintain soil quality and grow food within Craven
SO11) Ensure the prudent use of land resources
SO12) Conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment including heritage assets and their settings and areas of identified and potential archaeological interest
SO13) Protect, and where possible enhance, Craven's biodiversity and geodiversity, particularly protected habitats and species
SO14) Protect and enhance the open countryside and wider landscape character.
SO15) Promote innovative design which enhances the visual character of Craven's towns and villages
SO16) Minimise air, noise and light pollution, and where possible improve local air quality
SO17) Minimise impacts on climate change, including supporting energy production through renewable and low carbon sources.
SO18) Conserve and enhance water quality and resources and improve the efficiency of water use.
SO19) Minimise waste production and increase recycling rates in Craven.
SO20) Safeguard minerals resources and other natural material assets, and ensure the safe management of hazard risks of former mining activity where new development is proposed