

# Local Plan of Action

## Update and Progress Report: December 2013



Our Local Plan of Action was published 2 years ago, to give you an idea of how we intended to respond to changes in the spatial planning system and to move from creating a Local Development Framework (LDF) to creating a new Local Plan. This Update and Progress Report is the second annual review of the Local Plan of Action. (We had hoped to publish a mid-year review in June, but a busy Summer forced us to postpone and we included a progress report in the September issue of Planning Focus instead).

Overleaf is a chart showing progress on tasks listed in the plan of action. Below is a report on this year's achievements and how they relate to those tasks.

### SHLAA Site Checklists

Part Two checks have now been carried out and landowners/agents have received copies of the checklists for their sites. Many have responded by giving further input for consideration and checklists are being updated accordingly. Information provided by the checklists—along with other relevant information—will be used to identify potential site allocations for inclusion in a pre-publication draft of the local plan.

Related tasks:

- Engage with interested parties
- Identify best strategic allocations
- Supporting evidence

Relevant web-page for updates:  
[www.cravenc.gov.uk/SHLAA](http://www.cravenc.gov.uk/SHLAA)

### Economy Paper

We published a discussion paper “Shaping a Strategy for Employment Land in Craven”, which considers how we might plan for future business needs. Comments were invited and the paper was used in discussions at our Summer engagement events.

Related tasks:

- Engage with interested parties
- Outline potential solutions
- Identify best strategic allocations

Relevant web-page for updates:  
[www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4082/Creating-a-New-Local-Plan](http://www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4082/Creating-a-New-Local-Plan)

### Community Engagement

In June and July we ran 20 local plan drop-in events in 16 locations across the plan area. Over 1000 people attended and we received feedback on future housing and business development, including where it should be located, how much is required and which sites are preferable.

Related tasks:

- Engage with interested parties
- Identify best strategic solutions
- Identify best strategic allocations
- Achieve broad consensus
- Finalise strategy

Relevant web-page for updates:  
[www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4082/Creating-a-New-Local-Plan](http://www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4082/Creating-a-New-Local-Plan)

### Viability Study

This year we commissioned a study into the viability of Community Infrastructure Levy and affordable housing. In May, we held a workshop to discuss initial findings with stakeholders and consultation on a draft report ended this month. The report will be finalised in the New Year.

Related tasks:

- Engage with interested parties
- Supporting evidence

Relevant web-page for updates:  
[www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4353/Draft-Viability-Study---Community-Infrastructure-Levy-CIL-and-Affordable-Housing](http://www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4353/Draft-Viability-Study---Community-Infrastructure-Levy-CIL-and-Affordable-Housing)

### Sustainability Appraisal

Following a detailed review, we've restarted our work on Sustainability Appraisal with a fresh in-house approach, revised sustainability objectives and a

new draft Scoping Report.

Consultation on the draft report is due to start before the end of this year, so that a finalised version will be ready for use early in 2014.

Related tasks:

- Engage with interested parties
- Identify best strategic solutions
- Identify best strategic allocations

Relevant web-page for updates:  
[www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/1581/Sustainability-Appraisal](http://www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/1581/Sustainability-Appraisal)

### Duty to Co-Operate

We've recently started to report on our “larger-than-local” spatial planning work with neighbouring authorities and public agencies.

Related tasks:

- Hone in on critical issues
- Engage with interested parties
- Identify best strategic solutions

Relevant web-page for updates:  
[www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4393/Agenda-and-Reports--Craven-Spatial-Planning-Sub-Committee-9-December2013](http://www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4393/Agenda-and-Reports--Craven-Spatial-Planning-Sub-Committee-9-December2013)

### Draft Local Plan

Building on progress made in 2013, we are now in the process of preparing a pre-publication draft of the new local plan. This will be as near as possible to a complete plan—containing strategy, allocations, policies and a proposals map—and will be used as a basis for further informal engagement next year, before we move towards formal publication.

Related tasks:

- Finalise strategy
- Finalise allocations
- Vision
- Strategic Objectives
- Policies

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[www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4082/Creating-a-New-Local-Plan](http://www.cravenc.gov.uk/article/4082/Creating-a-New-Local-Plan)

### More Information

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# Progress On Tasks (as listed in the original Local Plan of Action 2011)

