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Background Papers

**AGENDA ITEM 11 – Herefordshire Unitary development
Plan: Saved Policies – Appendix 3 to report**

APPENDIX 3: DETAILED ASSESSMENT OF EACH POLICY AGAINST THE CRITERIA SET OUT IN PPS12 AGAINST WHICH POLICIES TO BE SAVED SHOULD BE ASSESSED

PART I

POLICY: S1 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principles P1 to P12 in <u>promoting</u> sustainable development by developing land use policies which help ensure recognition of the legitimate needs of everyone in the community, progress towards greater social equity, sustainable economic activity and development, provide effective protection, restoration and enhancement of the environment and the sustainable use of natural resources.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with all chapters of the RSS in promoting sustainable development in land use policies.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of PPS1 which provides the criteria by which planning should facilitate and promote sustainable and inclusive patterns of urban and rural development. Overarching policy that supports the delivery of the UDP Vision, and all its aims.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing and associated infrastructure, economic development and regeneration, waste management, promotes renewable energy, reduces impact on climate change and safeguards water resources.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S2 DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principles P6, P7, P8, P9 and P10 in <u>securing</u> development proposals that make a sustainable pattern of land use.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with all chapters of the RSS in securing a sustainable pattern of land use and development which respects the County's environmental resources.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy guides development in areas of major change.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of PPS1 which provides the criteria by which planning should facilitate and promote sustainable and inclusive patterns of urban and rural development. The policy is locally specific as part 5 refers to the major flood plains of the Rivers Wye and Lugg and their tributaries.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing and associated infrastructure, economic development and regeneration, waste management, promotes renewable energy, reduces impact on climate change and safeguards water resources.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S3 HOUSING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓

Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In accordance with the figures set out in phase 1 of the RSS, policy CF3 – Levels and distribution of housing. The figures set out in Phase 2 of the RSS is still subject to examination in public and until such time as this is agreed RSS Phase 1 figures remain.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy guides development in areas of major change.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. Part 2 of the policy is largely repetitive of PPS1 and PPS3. The policy is locally specific as it sets out the overall housing provision for the County.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S4 EMPLOYMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P11 in promoting access to opportunities for economic betterment, and seek to reduce disparities between different areas of the County. In addition, guiding principle P12 seeks to strengthen and diversify the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & 2, policy PA6 – Portfolio of employment land which states that local authorities should aim to provide and maintain a range and choice of readily available employment sites to meet the needs of the Regional economy.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy supports the provision of 100 hectares of land for Part B employment development.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it makes provision for 100 hectares of land for Part B employment development in the County.	✓

Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S5 TOWN CENTRES & RETAIL		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & 2 part C of policy PA1 that which states emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas and help to create more sustainable communities by generally providing a better balance between housing and employment and limit the need for commuting.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the development of land within Hereford city centre, which is a sub-regional shopping centre.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it defines the retail hierarchy with reference to Hereford city centre, market town centres and local, neighbourhood and village centres throughout the County, and the need to maintain the role of Hereford city centre as a sub-regional shopping centre.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S6 TRANSPORT

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport. Supports guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2 policies T1 – Developing accessibility and mobility with the Region to support the Spatial Strategy, policy T2 – Reducing the need to travel, policy T3 – Walking and cycling, policy T4- Promoting travel awareness, policy T5 – Public Transport, policy T6 – Strategic Park and Ride, policy T7 – Car parking standards and management, policy T8 – Demand Management and policy T9 – The Management and Development of National and Regional Transport Networks.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy guides development in areas of major change.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard	Yes. Supports the delivery of housing and associated infrastructure, economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S7 NATURAL & HISTORIC HERITAGE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports guiding principle P7 of the UDP which is to protect, restore and enhance environmental assets, giving special attention to	✓

	irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE1: Conserving and Enhancing the Environment that requires the conservation of existing environmental assets and the protection and enhancement of other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy ensures that where there is significant change existing environmental assets will be conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The Policy helps to deliver the objective of PPG15, paragraph 1.1 which states that 'it is fundamental to the Government's policies for environmental stewardship that there should be effective protection for all aspects of the historic environment. Furthermore, it is in full conformity with paragraph 2.6 of PPG15 which states that the first part of unitary development plans should provide a statement of the overall strategy of the county including conservation of the historic environment'. The Policy is linked to the Biodiversity SPG, Landscape Character Assessment SPG and the Re-use and Adaptation of Rural Buildings SPG.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S8 RECREATION, SPORT & TOURISM		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓

Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states that local authorities should develop appropriate strategies for greenspace to ensure that there is adequate provision of accessible high quality urban greenspace with an emphasis on maintaining and enhancing sports, playing fields and recreation grounds. In addition, Part A of RSS policy PA10 – Tourism and Culture states that development plans should encourage both the improvement of existing provision as well as the creation of new facilities, subject to the capacity of infrastructure and the environment to accommodate the new facilities and visitors associated with them. They should include policies that support the further development and success of key regional tourism and cultural assets such as the Malvern Hills, significant historic sites, buildings and gardens, indoor and outdoor sports stadia and venues of all types. Part C of RSS policy PA14 – Economic Development and the Rural Economy states that priority should be given to economic activity with strong links to the rural area, including tourism and leisure.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. Whilst the policy largely repeats PPG17 – Open Spaces, Sport and Recreation and the Good Practice Guide on Tourism it forms the strategic policy with regards to recreation, sport and tourism in the UDP and is therefore considered necessary to save.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S9 MINERALS

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principles P1 and P5 in ensuring sustainable use of natural resources, whilst protecting and enhancing the environment.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	In accordance with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy M1 – Mineral Working for Non Energy Minerals and policy M4 – Energy Minerals. The policy sets out the factors to be taken into account when making provision for the appropriate supply of minerals.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. Whilst the policy repeats the national objectives for mineral planning as set out in Mineral Planning Statement 1: Planning and Minerals (paragraph 9, page 5) and the accompanying Practice Guide. The policy forms the strategic policy with regards to minerals in the UDP and is therefore considered necessary to save.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. Mineral extraction will form part of the infrastructure in the delivery of housing and economic development and regeneration.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S10 WASTE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management that reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policies WD1 – Targets for Waste Management in the Region, WD2 – The Need for Waste Management Facilities – by Sub-Region, WD3 – Criteria for	✓

	the Location of Waste Management Facilities	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. Part 1 of the policy is no longer in conformity with RSS phase 1 policy WD1 – Targets for Waste Management in the Region. In addition, PPS10 – Planning for Sustainable Waste Management no longer has reference to Best Practicable Environmental Option Assessment. However, part 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the policy is locally specific as it provides criteria for how the sustainable and efficient management of waste will be sought, therefore it is considered necessary to save.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: S11 COMMUNITY FACILITIES & SERVICES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P2 in working towards an improved balance between housing, work community, educational and cultural facilities throughout the County, guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities, guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management, guiding principle P6 in favouring forms of land use that work within environmental capacity and guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policies PA1 – Prosperity for All, RR3 – Market Towns, RR4 – Rural Services, policy EN1 – Energy Generation and policy EN2 – Energy Conservation.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged.	✓

Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policies relate to infrastructure necessary to support housing, economic development and regeneration and promotes renewable energy.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

POLICY: DR1 DESIGN		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of both new and improvements to existing developments. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design form and use, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all which requires development plans to promote the creation of high quality built environments as part of the urban and rural renaissance and the regeneration strategies for the Region’s cities, towns and villages.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policies are essential for the environmental quality in areas of major change and conserving the character and amenity of areas of conservation.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. The design policy expands on national and regional policy at the local level, and is extensively used by development control staff in assessing and determining planning applications.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policies support housing delivery, economic development and regeneration, promote renewable energy, reduce impact on climate change and safeguards water resources.	✓

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
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POLICY: DR2 LAND USE & ACTIVITY		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P9 in guiding new development to locations, which offer a choice of transport modes and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of both new and improvements to existing developments. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design form and use, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all which requires development plans to promote the creation of high quality built environments as part of the urban and rural renaissance and the regeneration strategies for the Region's cities, towns and villages.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policies are essential for the environmental quality in areas of major change and conserving the character and amenity of areas of conservation.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. The design policy expands on national and regional policy at the local level, and is extensively used by development control staff in assessing and determining planning applications.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policies support housing delivery, economic development and regeneration, promote renewable energy, reduce impact on climate change and safeguards water resources.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR3 MOVEMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P9 in promoting	✓

	better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport. Also guides new development to locations, which offer a choice of transport modes. In addition, supports the delivery of guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T1 – Developing accessibility and mobility within the Region to support the spatial strategy, policy T2 – Reducing the need to travel, Policy T3 – Walking and cycling, policy T4 – Promoting travel awareness, policy T5 – Public transport, policy T6 – Strategic park & ride and policy T7 – Car parking standards and management.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the authority's area where significant change in use or development is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The movement policy expands on national and regional policy at the local level, and is extensively used by development control staff in assessing and determining planning applications.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. Supports the delivery of housing, economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR4 ENVIRONMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as air water, land, biodiversity, accessibility, or demonstrate successful mitigation or compensatory measures for environmental damage.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter	✓

	3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE1 – Conserving and Enhancing the Environment.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policies are essential for the environmental quality in areas of major change and conserving the character and amenity of areas of conservation.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The environment policy expands on national and regional policy at the local level, and is extensively used by development control staff in assessing and determining planning applications.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. Promotes renewable energy, reduce impact on climate change and safeguards water resources.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR5 PLANNING OBLIGATIONS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P1 in achieving sustainable development by recognising the economic, social and environmental aspects of sustainable development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE1 – Conserving and enhancing the environment, policy T1 – Developing accessibility and mobility within the region and policy PA1 – Prosperity for all.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for mitigation for the area where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for planning obligations to be sought to achieve community, transport and environmental benefits where those benefits are reasonable. In addition, the policy is supported by a SPD on Planning Obligations.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing, in particular	✓

particular regard?	affordable housing and supports economic development and regeneration.	
		CONCLUSION
		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR6 WATER RESOURCES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development, which work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as water or demonstrate successful mitigation or compensatory measures for environmental damage.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE1 – Conserving and Enhancing the Environment in incorporating sustainability considerations such as energy and water efficiency. In addition, part (i) of policy QE9 – The Water Environment in conserving supply of water.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy conserves the availability and quality of water resources from unacceptable risk.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is repetitive of Appendix A of Planning policy statement 23 and RSS policy QE9 – The Water Environment. In addition, part 2 and 3 of UDP policy DR4 – Environment is considered adequate in determining applications, which could impact on water resources. Therefore, the policy can be deleted.	X
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy safeguards water resources.	✓
		CONCLUSION
		DELETE POLICY

POLICY: DR7 FLOOD RISK

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development, which work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as water or demonstrate successful mitigation or compensatory measures for environmental damage.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part (iii) of policy CC1 – Climate Change which requires the avoidance of development in areas at risk of flooding and direct development away from areas at highest risk and part (iv) which promotes the use of sustainable drainage techniques.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy directs development away from flood risk areas.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is repetitive of paragraphs 8.42 – 8.44 of the RSS and policy CC1 – Climate Change. The policy also repeats the guidance contained in Planning Policy Statement 25 – Development and Flood Risk. Paragraph 7 of PPS 25 states however, that local authorities should set out policies for the allocation of sites and control of development which avoid flood risk to people and property where possible and manage it elsewhere.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy reduces impact on climate change and safeguards water resources.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR8 CULVERTING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental	✓

	impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as water, land, biodiversity, accessibility, or demonstrate successful mitigation or compensatory measures for environmental damage.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part (iii) of policy CC1 – Climate Change, which requires the avoidance of development in areas of risk of flooding and policy QE7 – Protecting, managing and enhancing the region’s Biodiversity and Nature Conservation Resources.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides the criteria for assessing proposals for the culverting of watercourses.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy safeguards water resources.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR9 AIR QUALITY		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development, which work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as air, or demonstrate successful mitigation or compensatory measures for environmental damage.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part (iii) of policy CC1 – Climate Change, which requires all new development to minimise resource demand and encourage efficient use of resources.	✓

	Paragraphs 8.45 and 8.36 of the RSS sets out how air quality should be managed in the Region.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy conserves the air quality of the region.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of national and regional policy. However, paragraph 8.45 of the RSS states that local planning policies, together with local transport plans, must play a part in helping reduce air pollution throughout the region. In addition, paragraph 13 of PPS23 - Planning and Pollution Control states that local authorities should set out the criteria against which applications for potentially polluting development will be considered. Whilst part 4 of UDP policy DR4 deals with air pollution, this policy considers not only operational impacts but associated traffic generation.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy reduces impact on climate change.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR10 CONTAMINATED LAND		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as air water, land, biodiversity, accessibility, or demonstrate successful mitigation or compensatory measures for environmental damage.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE1 – Conserving and Enhancing the Environment which promotes the creation of high quality built environments as part of urban and rural renaissance and the regeneration strategies.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged.	✓

conservation of the area is envisaged?		
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 21 of PPS21 states that local authorities should include appropriate policies for dealing with the potential for contamination and remediation of land so that it is suitable for the proposed development/use.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The remediation of contaminated land is linked closely to waste management.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR11 SOIL QUALITY		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development, which work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as land, or demonstrate successful mitigation or compensatory measures for environmental damage.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part (iii) of policy CC1 – Climate Change, which requires all new development to minimise resource demand and encourage efficient use of resources.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change of use or development of land is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for the separate stripping and storage of soil and sub-soils for their re-use. In addition, it requires soil mounds to be both necessary and appropriate to the townscape and landscape character of the area.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy links to waste management.	✓

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: DR12 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as air water, land, biodiversity, accessibility, or demonstrate successful mitigation or compensatory measures for environmental damage.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE1 – Conserving and enhancing the environment.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it considers development involving the presence of hazardous substances	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy links to waste management.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR13 NOISE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of both new and improvements to existing developments.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (iv) of policy Q50 – Conserving and enhancing the environment.	✓

strategy?	QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all, which requires assessment and minimisation of the impacts of noise that arise as a result of development.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 3 of PPG24 – Planning and Noise requires local authorities to set out policies on noise in part II of the plan. The policy is locally specific as it restricts development in the designated areas that would adversely affect the quiet enjoyment or the special interest of those areas.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: DR14 LIGHTING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of both new and improvements to existing developments. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design form and use, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (iv) of policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all, which requires assessment and minimisation of the impact of light pollution as a result of development.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. The policy is locally specific as it has regards to the impact of lighting	✓

	schemes in edge of settlement or rural locations.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

HOUSING

POLICY: H1 HEREFORD & MARKET TOWNS: SETTLEMENT BOUNDARIES & ESTABLISHED RESIDENTIAL AREAS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that longer-term strategic housing development should be in those locations which are capable of balanced and sustainable growth. Hereford will fulfil this role as sub-regional foci for development. In addition, policy RR3 – Market Towns states that market towns have a key role in helping to regenerate rural areas, as a focus for sustainable housing development.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy guides development in areas of major change.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for the delivery of housing within Hereford, the market towns and the defined settlement boundaries.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing, including unimplemented site allocations.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H2 HEREFORD & THE MARKET TOWNS: HOUSING LAND ALLOCATIONS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that longer-term strategic housing development should be in those locations which are capable of balanced and sustainable growth. Hereford will fulfil this role as sub-regional foci for development. In addition, policy RR3 – Market Towns states that market towns have a key role in helping to regenerate rural areas, as a focus for sustainable housing development.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy guides development in areas of major change.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it cross-references to policy S3 and provides identified sites allocated for housing with estimated dwelling capacity and target numbers of affordable housing. The following allocations have yet to be delivered: Hereford <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bradbury Estate, Putson • Land at Belmont • Land at Friars Street • Land at Holmer • Whitecross High School – This also has a specific SPD that will need to be saved • Berrington Street • Canal Basin & Historic Core 	✓

	<p><u>Leominster</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barons Cross Camp • Garage site at Barons Cross • Land east of Ridgemoor Road <p><u>Ross-on-Wye</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land at Tanyard Lane • Cawdor Gardens <p><u>Bromyard</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land at Porthouse Farm • Highways Depot <p><u>Kington</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land west of Old Eardisley Road <p>The following allocations have been delivered and are complete but need to remain as parts of a policy cannot be deleted:</p> <p><u>Hereford</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Hospital • Land at Barrs Court Road • Land at Walton Close • Victoria Eye Hospital <p><u>Ross-on-Wye</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alton Court Brewery • Vine Tree Farm <p><u>Ledbury</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abattior site <p><u>Bromyard</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land attached to Ashfields • Tanyard, Pump Street <p>The allocation for housing in Bullinghope, Hereford will need to be deleted as the site was removed from the UDP by the High Court. It is no longer part of the Plan and should not be referred to in the request to save policies.</p>	
<p>Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?</p>	<p>Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing.</p>	<p>✓</p>

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY BUT, DELETE REFERENCE TO BULLINGHOPE ALLOCATION
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POLICY: H4 MAIN VILLAGES: SETTLEMENT BOUNDARIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that longer-term strategic housing development should be in those locations which are capable of balanced and sustainable growth. Hereford will fulfil this role as sub-regional foci for development.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy guides development in areas of major change.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it states which settlements are identified as main villages and restricts the provision of housing within the identified settlement boundary, save for exception schemes (policy H10). The identified settlement boundaries are identified on the proposal maps.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing within defined settlement boundaries.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H5 MAIN VILLAGES: HOUSING LAND ALLOCATIONS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing	✓

	an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that longer-term strategic housing development should be in those locations which are capable of balanced and sustainable growth. Hereford will fulfil this role as sub-regional foci for development.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy guides development in areas of major change.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	<p>Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It identifies allocated housing sites within the main settlements. The following allocations remain to be delivered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frome Valley Haulage Depot, Bishops Frome • Former bus/coach depot, Canon Pyon • Covent Garden, Colwall • Land opposite Co-op, Cusop • Land adjacent TO Lower House Farm, Ewyas Harold • Land rear of Plough Inn, Little Dewchurch • Land north of B4352, Madley • Land at Paradise Farm, Marden • Land adjacent to Callow View, Much Dewchurch • Land adjacent to the Birches, Shobdon • Church Farm, Wellington • Land off Auberrow Road, Wellington • Land rear of surgery, Weobley • Land adjacent to Weobley Methodist Church • Land adjacent to Whitestone Chapel <p>The following allocations have been delivered and are complete but need to remain as part of the policy cannot be saved:</p>	✓

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land opposite Primary School, Sutton St. Nicholas • Land at Upper Weston, Weston-under-Penyard • Land adjacent to village hall, Withington 	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H6 HOUSING IN SMALLER SETTLEMENTS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that longer-term strategic housing development should be in those locations which are capable of balanced and sustainable growth. Hereford will fulfil this role as sub-regional foci for development.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It identifies key criteria in determining planning applications for housing in the smaller settlements.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H7 HOUSING IN THE COUNTRYSIDE OUTSIDE SETTLEMENTS
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GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part D of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that in rural areas, the provision of new housing should generally be restricted to meeting local housing needs and/or support local services, with priority being given to the reuse of previously developed land and buildings within existing villages enhancing their character wherever possible.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy conserves land in the open countryside from inappropriate development.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of PPS1, PPS3 and PPS7. Part 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 & 7 of the policy cross references to policies H8, HBA12, HBA13, H18 and H10, which are proposed to be saved. These policies cannot be properly applied without the cross reference to policy H7. Paragraph 19 of PPS7 states that Local Authorities should set out in their policies the circumstances where replacement of dwellings would not be acceptable and clarify the permissible scale of replacement buildings. Part 4 of the policy makes specific reference to the provision of houses that are a replacement for, comparable in size and scale with and on the same site as an existing building with established residential use rights. In light of paragraph 19 it is considered necessary to save the policy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing in exceptional circumstances.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H8 AGRICULTURAL & FORESTRY DWELLINGS & DWELLINGS ASSOCIATED WITH RURAL BUSINESSES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part D of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that in rural areas, the provision of new housing should generally be restricted to meeting local housing needs and/or support local services, with priority being given to the reuse of previously developed land and buildings within existing villages, enhancing their character wherever possible.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of PPS1 and PPS7. Paragraph 17 of PPS7 requires Local Authorities to set out their policy approach to the retention or removal of agricultural and, where relevant, forestry and other forms of occupancy conditions. The policy is also locally specific as it goes further than PPS7. Paragraph 4 of the policy requires demonstration of a genuine and unsuccessful attempt to market the property at a realistic price when applying to remove an agricultural occupancy condition. In light of this it is considered necessary to save the policy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing in connection with agriculture, forestry or rural businesses.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H9 AFFORDABLE HOUSING

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part D of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that in rural areas, the provision of new housing should generally be restricted to meeting local housing needs. In addition, part A of policy CF5 – Delivering affordable housing and mixed communities requires local authorities to create more balanced mixed communities through the provision of a range of housing types and set out the thresholds for delivery of affordable housing.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy guides the delivery of affordable housing in areas of major change.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national and regional policy. PPS3 sets out suggested thresholds. The policy is locally specific as it provides size thresholds and the criteria for assessment.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H10 RURAL EXCEPTION HOUSING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter	✓

	3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part D of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that in rural areas, the provision of new housing should generally be restricted to meeting local housing needs.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy guides the delivery of rural exception housing in the open countryside.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of PPS1, PPS3 and PPS7. However, it is locally specific as Part 7 of the policy provides for the construction of single affordable dwellings in settlements other than Kington (policy H2), the main villages (Policy H4) or the smaller settlements (Policy H6). These policies cannot also be properly applied without the cross reference to policy H10.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H11 RESIDENTIAL CARAVANS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which is energy efficient, respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part D of policy CF2 – Housing Beyond the Major Urban Areas, which states that in rural areas, the provision of new housing should generally be restricted to meeting local housing needs and/or support local services, with priority being given to the reuse of previously developed land and buildings within existing villages enhancing their character wherever possible.	✓

Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is repetitive of PPS1, PPS3 and PPS7 in terms of the locational requirements for permanent residential development. Policies H1, H2, H4, H6 and H8 are adequate to determine applications for residential caravans. The policy does cross reference to policy H8 – Agricultural and forestry dwellings and dwellings associated with rural businesses but it is considered that deletion of the policy will not compromise the delivery of policy H8.	X
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. Supports the delivery of temporary accommodation to meet special identified short term needs.	✓
	CONCLUSION	DELETE POLICY

POLICY: H12 GYPSIES & OTHER TRAVELLERS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P2 and P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing which respects the environmental capacity of the locality and supports existing settlements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part F of policy CF5 – Delivering affordable housing and mixed communities which requires that development plans ensure that adequate provision for suitable sites to accommodate gypsies and other travellers.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as part 3 of the policy refers to the impact upon the character and amenity of the landscape, particularly within the Malvern Hills and Wye Valley AONB, conservation areas and or other sensitive	✓

	locations.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing for gypsies and other travellers.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H13 SUSTAINABLE RESIDENTIAL DESIGN		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P10 in promoting a high design standard in the location, setting, layout and construction of both new development and improvements to existing. Provides for high priority towards energy efficiency.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all which states that particular attention should be given to securing a high quality of townscape, urban form, building design and spaces and incorporate sustainability considerations.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of RSS policy QE3, paragraphs 14 and 16 of PPS3 and the UDP design policies. However, the policy is locally specific as part 6 requires the provision of recycling and composting in the use of dwellings, part 8 makes provision for sustainable drainage measures for <u>both</u> surface and foul water and part 11 requires acceptable levels of amenity including privacy both within the scheme and in respect of nearby properties, all of which do not appear in national or regional policy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H14 RE-USING PREVIOUSLY DEVELOPED LAND & BUILDINGS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P8 in promoting sustainable land use and management including the reuse of previously developed land and buildings for appropriate new uses.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy CF4 – The reuse of land and buildings for housing which states that local authorities should optimise the opportunities for recycling land and buildings for new housing.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for the development of previously developed land and buildings for housing.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 27 of PPS1 states that in preparing development plans, planning authorities should seek to promote the use of suitably located previously developed land and buildings. Vacant and underused previously developed land should be brought back into beneficial use to achieve the targets the Government has set for development on previously developed land. Paragraph 40 of PPS3 states that a key objective for local authorities is to continue to make effective use of land by re-using land that has been previously developed.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H15 DENSITY		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principles P4 and P10 in provided an appropriate range of housing that respects the environmental capacity of the locality and provides the most effective	✓

	support for existing settlements.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part (iv) of policy CF3 – Levels and distribution of housing development which states that housing development will need to be compliant with locally adopted design guidelines.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for the most effective and efficient use of land.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 46 and 47 of PPS3 - Housing states that planning authorities should develop housing density policies. The policy is locally specific as it differentiates between the density for sites of one hectare or above in Hereford and the market towns and other sites.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H16 CAR PARKING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all which states that development plans should promote the creation of high quality built environments.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or	No.	X

conservation of the area is envisaged?		
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 51 of PPS3 states that planning authorities should develop residential parking policies for their areas, taking account expected levels of car ownership, the importance of promoting good design and the need to use land effectively. The policy is locally specific as it sets out the maximum level of parking to 1.5 spaces per dwelling.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H17 SUB-DIVISION OF EXISTING HOUSING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P4 in providing an appropriate range of housing that respects the environmental capacity of the locality.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part D of policy CF2 – Housing beyond the major urban areas which states that in rural areas, the provision of new housing should generally be restricted to the reuse of previously developed buildings within existing villages enhancing their character wherever possible.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to house for multiple occupation and cross-references to policy H16 – Car parking.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of housing	✓

		CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: H18 ALTERATIONS & EXTENSIONS			
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS	
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the construction of improvements to existing development.	✓	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓	
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, Policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all which states that development plans should promote the creation of high quality built environments.	✓	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X	
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific, as it not only provides for alterations or extensions to dwellings but also buildings incidental to the enjoyment of a dwelling. In addition, part 4 of the policy cross-references to policy H16 – Car parking. This policy cannot also be properly applied without the cross reference to policy H16.	✓	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X	
		CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: H19 OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENTS			
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS	
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for facilities, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area, including leisure and amenity.	✓	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community	✓	

the area?	Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE4: Greenery, Urban Green Space and Public Spaces states that Local Authorities should develop appropriate strategies for green space to ensure that there is adequate provision of accessible high quality space.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not repeat national or regional policy. The policy is locally specific as it seeks to ensure that new residential developments provide specific minimum requirements for adequate recreation provision and cross references to Policy RST3 – Standards for outdoor playing and public open space. The UDP Policy is linked to Policy DR5 – Planning Obligations so therefore needs to be saved in order to ensure delivery.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	The policy is related to the infrastructure necessary to support housing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

EMPLOYMENT

POLICY: E1 ROTHERWAS INDUSTRIAL ESTATE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P12 in seeking to strengthen and diversify the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA6 – Portfolio of employment land states that local authorities should aim to provide and maintain a range and choice of readily available employment sites	✓

	to meet the needs of the Regional economy.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for the development of 14.3 hectares of employment land at Rotherwas Industrial Estate.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies 14.3 hectares of land to be released at the Rotherwas Industrial Estate for employment land linked to the resolution of acknowledged site development constraints.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E2 MORETON ON LUGG DEPOT, MORETON ON LUGG		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P12 in seeking to strengthen and diversify the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA6 – Portfolio of employment land which states that local authorities should aim to provide and maintain a range and choice of readily available employment sites to meet the needs of the Regional economy.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for the development of employment land at Moreton-on-Lugg depot, Moreton-on-Lugg.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies land at Moreton-on-Lugg for employment purposes. It also safeguards land at Long Coppice from development for landscape purposes.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: E3 OTHER EMPLOYMENT LAND ALLOCATIONS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P12 in seeking to strengthen and diversify the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA6 – Portfolio of employment land which states that local authorities should aim to provide and maintain a range and choice of readily available employment sites to meet the needs of the Regional economy.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy allocates a total of 57.5 hectares of other employment land throughout the County.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies 57.5 hectares of land for Part B employment uses throughout the County.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E5 SAFEGUARDING EMPLOYMENT LAND & BUILDINGS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P12 in seeking to strengthen and diversify the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA6 – Portfolio of employment land states that local authorities should aim to provide	✓

	and maintain a range and choice of readily available employment sites to meet the needs of the Regional economy.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. The policy safeguards other employment land and buildings, not identified in policy E1, E2 or E3, and provides criteria to assess proposals for non-employment uses of the site.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E6 EXPANSION OF EXISTING BUSINESSES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P11 in promoting access to opportunities for economic betterment, and seeks to reduce disparities between different areas of the County.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of Policy PA14 – Economic Development and the Rural Economy, which states that development plans should support the sustainable diversification and development of the rural economy through the growth of existing businesses.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraph 13 of PPG4 in determining planning applications for employment proposals. The policy is also repetitive of policy E7, E8, E10, E11, E12 and E13.	X
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓

	CONCLUSION	DELETE POLICY
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POLICY: E7 OTHER EMPLOYMENT PROPOSALS WITHIN & AROUND HEREFORD & THE MARKET TOWNS		
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GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P12 in seeking to strengthen and diversify the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA6 – Portfolio of employment land which states that local authorities should aim to provide and maintain a range and choice of readily available employment sites to meet the needs of the Regional economy.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for employment proposals within and around Hereford and the market towns.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for employment generating uses around Hereford and the market towns and refers to employment proposals outside but adjacent to the settlement boundary for Hereford and the market towns	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E8 DESIGN STANDARDS FOR EMPLOYMENT SITES		
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GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports delivery of UDP guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of both new development and improvement to the existing developments. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design form and use, location and transport requirements.	✓

Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all which states that development plans should promote the creation of high quality built environment.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 10 of PPG4 – Industrial, commercial development and small firms sets out locational factors, paragraph 15 considers residential amenity and paragraph 16 considers impact on landscape and wildlife. The policy is locally specific however, as it provides additional criteria for consideration beyond PPG4 including, the minimum provision of outdoor storage areas and ensuring satisfactory disposal of trade effluent and the storage of waste by-products and waste awaiting disposal	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E9 HOME BASED BUSINESSES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P11 in promoting access to opportunities for economic betterment, and seek to reduce disparities between different areas of the County.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of Policy PA14 – Economic Development and the Rural Economy, which states that development plans should support the sustainable diversification and development of the rural economy through the creation of new	✓

	enterprise.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is repetitive of RSS policy PA14 and paragraphs 32, 33 and 34 of PPG4, which outlines what should be considered in determining whether a use is ancillary to a dwelling and the issues to be taken into account in determining an application for permission. In light of the content of these paragraphs it is considered necessary to delete the policy.	X
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	DELETE POLICY

POLICY: E10 EMPLOYMENT PROPOSALS WITHIN OR ADJACENT TO MAIN VILLAGES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P12 in seeking to strengthen and diversify the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of Policy PA14 – Economic Development and the Rural Economy which states that development plans should ensure that most economic development is concentrated in towns and other large settlements accessible to their hinterlands. Development should be consistent with the character and environment of the settlement.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for employment proposals within or adjacent to main villages.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to the main villages as identified in policy H4 – Main villages: settlement boundaries and provides cross-reference	✓

	to policy E8 – Design standards for employment sites.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E11 EMPLOYMENT IN THE SMALLER SETTLEMENTS & OPEN COUNTRYSIDE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P12 in seeking to strengthen and diversify the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of Policy PA14 – Economic Development and the Rural Economy, which states that development plans should ensure that most economic development is concentrated in towns and other large settlements accessible to their hinterlands. Development should be consistent with the character and environment of the settlement.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for employment proposals in the smaller settlements and open countryside.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to the smaller settlements as identified in policy H6 – Housing in smaller settlements. The policy also provides cross-reference to policy E8, E12, HBA12 and HBA13.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E12 FARM DIVERSIFICATION		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development that work within	✓

	environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as land.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA15 – Agriculture and Farm Diversification, which states that development plans should recognise the continuing importance of the agricultural sector in the Region. Development plans should include positive policies to promote agriculture and farm diversification.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. RSS policy PA15 requires development plans to include positive policies to promote farm diversification. In addition, paragraph 30 (i) of PPS7 states that planning authorities should set out the criteria to be applied to planning applications for farm diversification.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E13 AGRICULTURAL & FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development that work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as land.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA15 – Agriculture and Farm Diversification, which states that development plans should recognise the continuing importance of the agricultural sector in the Region. Development plans should include positive	✓

	policies to promote agriculture. Any development should be appropriate in scale and nature to the environment and character of the locality.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. RSS policy PA15 requires development plans to include positive policies to promote agriculture. In addition, paragraph 27 of PPS7 states that planning policies should recognise the role of agriculture and support development proposals that will enable farming and farmers to meet five Government objectives.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E14 CONVERSIONS OF LARGE DWELLINGS TO EMPLOYMENT USES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P12 in seeking to strengthen and diversify the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy QE3 which states that as part of rural renaissance and regeneration strategies, particular regard should be had as to how buildings could be reused to achieve this objective.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for the conversion of large dwellings for employment uses.	✓

Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E15 PROTECTION OF GREENFIELD LAND		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development that work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as land.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with paragraph 8.38 and 8.39 of the RSS, which states that agricultural land quality must be considered by local authorities in the preparation of plans and consideration of development proposals.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Provides for the conservation of the best and most versatile agricultural land.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraph 28 of PPS7. However, paragraph 29 of PPS7 states that local authorities may wish to include in their development plans policies to include policies that protect specific areas of best and most versatile agricultural land from speculative development.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E16 INTENSIVE LIVESTOCK UNITS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, which demonstrate beneficial environmental	✓

	impacts or minimise adverse impacts on key resources such as air, water, land, biodiversity or demonstrate successful mitigation or compensatory measures for environmental damage.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA15 – Agriculture and Farm Diversification, which states that development plans should recognise the continuing importance of the agricultural sector in the Region. Development plans should include positive policies to promote agriculture. Any development should be appropriate in scale and nature to the environment and character of the locality.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific with regards to the criteria that must be met in proposals for intensive livestock units and associated structures and facilities for the storage and disposal of waste. The policy provides special consideration for residential or other protected buildings located within 400m of a proposal.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: E17 MILITARY DEVELOPMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of both new development and improvements to existing development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓

Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	No. However, the policy is considered necessary as a facility of national importance.	X
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for the development of land for military purposes.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies The Stirling Lines site, as shown on the proposals map, for military purposes. The policy also cross-references to policy S2 – Development Requirements.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

TOWN CENTRES & RETAIL

POLICY: TCR1 CENTRAL SHOPPING & COMMERCIAL AREAS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas and help to create more sustainable communities by generally providing a better balance between housing and employment and limit the need for commuting.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or	Yes. The policy relates to the development of land within Hereford city centre, which is a sub-regional shopping centre.	✓

conservation of the area is envisaged?		
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it defines the central shopping and commercial areas of Hereford and the market towns that will be retained and protected as prime focus for retail, leisure and commercial activities.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR2 VITALITY & VIABILITY		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1-Prosperity for All that which states emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas and help to create more sustainable communities by generally providing a better balance between housing and employment and limit the need for commuting.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the development of land within Hereford city centre and the market towns, maintaining their vitality and viability.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides the criteria for maintaining the vitality and viability of the central shopping and commercial areas of Hereford and the market towns.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: TCR3 PRIMARY SHOPPING FRONTAGES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 - Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas and help to create more sustainable communities by generally providing a better balance between housing and employment and limit the need for commuting.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies the primary shopping frontages in Hereford and the market towns and provides the criteria for proposals for uses within Classes A2 – A5 uses. The primary shopping frontages are identified on the proposal maps.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR4 SECONDARY SHOPPING FRONTAGES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving	✓

	opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport, utilities, leisure and amenity.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 - Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas and help to create more sustainable communities by generally providing a better balance between housing and employment and limit the need for commuting.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies the secondary shopping frontages in Hereford and the market towns and provides the criteria for proposals for uses within Classes A2 – A5 uses. The secondary shopping frontages are identified on the proposals map.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR5 USES OUTSIDE CLASS A OF THE USE CLASSES ORDER		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter	✓

	3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 - Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas and help to create more sustainable communities by generally providing a better balance between housing and employment and limit the need for commuting.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it restricts uses outside Class A within the primary and secondary shopping frontages in Hereford and the market towns.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR6 NON-RETAIL USES (CLASSES A2 – A5)		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas and help to create more sustainable communities by generally providing a better balance between housing and employment and limit the need for commuting.	✓

Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific, as it requires appropriate for window displays within the primary and secondary shopping frontages in Hereford and the market towns where planning permission is granted for non-retail uses.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR7 AMUSEMENT CENTRES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & 2 part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific, as it controls proposals for amusement centres, which are a sui generis use, from within the primary and secondary shopping frontages of Hereford and the market towns and provides a criteria for their location in the secondary frontages.	✓

Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR8 SMALL SCALE RETAIL DEVELOPMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & part, 2 part C of policy PA1 which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraph 2.4 of PPS6, which states that wherever possible, growth should be accommodated by more efficient use of land and buildings within existing centres. Policy TCR1 – TCR7, which are proposed to be saved, will enable consideration of applications for proposals for small-scale retail development within the central shopping and commercial areas of Hereford and the market towns.	X
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓
	CONCLUSION	DELETE POLICY

POLICY: TCR9 LARGE SCALE RETAIL & LEISURE DEVELOPMENT OUTSIDE CENTRAL SHOPPING & COMMERCIAL AREAS
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GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including retail, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA13 – Out-of-centre Retail Development states that smaller scale out of centre retail proposals should be considered in the light of policies and proposals in development plans and take full account of Government guidance including the requirements to demonstrate ‘need’ and the sequential test.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to large-scale retail and leisure development outside central shopping and commercial areas.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of RSS policy PA13 – Out-of-centre Retail Development and PPS6 – Planning for Town Centres. However, the policy refers to the retail hierarchy and provides the criteria for assessing large scale retail and leisure development outside the central shopping and commercial areas	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing and town centres.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR10 OFFICE DEVELOPMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P12 in strengthening and diversifying the County’s employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development that are energy efficient in terms of their overall location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓

the area?	Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy PA14 – Economic Development and the Rural Economy which states that development plans should support the sustainable diversification and development of the rural economy through the growth of existing businesses and the creation of new enterprise.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to office development including larger-scale development proposals outside central shopping and commercial areas.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to proposals for office development within the central shopping and commercial areas and sets out the criteria for larger scale proposals outside these areas and in particular identifies edge of centre locations to be within 500 metres of a central shopping and commercial area. In addition, the policy provides cross-reference to policies TCR3, TCR4 and E14, which are proposed to be saved.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR11 LOSS OF EXISTING OFFICES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UPD guiding principle P12 in strengthening and diversifying the County's employment base by the identification of opportunities for new economic development that are energy efficient in terms of their overall location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy PA14 – Economic Development and the Rural Economy which states that development plans should support the sustainable diversification and development of the rural economy through the growth of existing	✓

	businesses.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to the criteria for proposals involving the loss of existing offices within Hereford city centre and market town centres.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR13 LOCAL & NEIGHBOURHOOD SHOPPING CENTRES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including retail.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 2.58 of PPS6 – Planning for Town Centres which states that by using development plan documents, local authorities should take a positive approach to strengthening local centres. The local and neighbourhood shopping centres within the County are identified within the UDP.	✓

Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR14 VILLAGE COMMERCIAL FACILITIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including retail.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 2.61 of PPS6 states that planning authorities should adopt policies that recognise the role of vital rural service centres and enhance their vitality and viability. Paragraph 2.62 of PPS6 goes onto state that policies should ensure that the importance of shops and services to the local community is taken into account.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR15 HOT FOOD TAKEWAY OUTLETS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving	✓

	opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The issues for consideration in determining applications for hot food take-away outlets namely, effect on residential amenity resulting from traffic generation, highway safety, noise, smell or other amenity considerations are covered in Policies, DR1, DR2, DR3, DR4 and T11. The policy is considered to be repetitive and is therefore recommended for deletion.	X
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
	CONCLUSION	DELETE POLICY

POLICY: TCR16 GARDEN CENTRES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to	✓

	locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it restricts proposals for new garden centres or the expansion of existing garden centre operations where the proposal is within or adjacent to a settlement boundary, with good accessibility to an existing settlement.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR17 FARM SHOPS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including retail.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA15 – Agriculture and Farm Diversification which states that development plans should recognise the continuing importance of the agricultural sector and include policies to promote agriculture and farm diversification through the development of innovative business schemes including the promotion of local marketing and supply chains.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X

Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 2.62 of PPS6 – Planning for Town Centres states that local authorities should adopt policies that ensure the importance of shops and services to the local community is taken into account. Paragraph 2.63 goes on to recognise that farm shops can meet a demand for local produce in a sustainable way and can contribute to the rural economy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including policies for retailing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR18 PETROL FILLING STATIONS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it restricts proposals for new petrol filling stations to within or adjacent to settlements, on or adjacent to major traffic routes.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR19 HEREFORD LIVESTOCK MARKET - RELOCATION		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in giving high priority to conserving and enhancing the characteristic Herefordshire landscape, guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to services and facilities and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1- Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns and can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the relocation of Hereford livestock market relocation.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out the criteria that must be met in considering proposals for the relocation of Hereford livestock market.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR20 EIGN GATE REGENERATION AREA		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P6 in favouring forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in giving high priority to conserving and enhancing the characteristic Herefordshire landscape, designated areas, historic buildings and archaeology, guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to services and facilities and guiding	✓

	principle P10 in promoting high design standards.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1- Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns and can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the redevelopment of the Eign Gate regeneration area.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out the criteria that must be met in considering proposals for the regeneration of the Eign Gate area.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the provision of housing and economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR21 CANAL BASIN & HISTORIC CORE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P6 in favouring forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in giving high priority to conserving and enhancing the characteristic Herefordshire landscape, designated areas, historic buildings and archaeology, guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to services and facilities and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the	✓

	local regeneration areas and help to create more sustainable communities by generally providing a better balance between housing and employment and limit the need for commuting.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to regeneration of the canal basin and historic core of Hereford city.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out the criteria that must be met in considering proposals for the redevelopment of the canal basin and historic core for residential development and small-scale retail and leisure uses.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the provision of housing and economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR22 HEREFORD UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB/MERTON MEADOW		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P6 in favouring forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in giving high priority to conserving and enhancing the characteristic Herefordshire landscape, designated areas, historic buildings and archaeology, guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to services and facilities and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns, can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas and help to create more sustainable communities by generally providing a better balance between housing and employment and limit the need for commuting.	✓

Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the redevelopment of Hereford United football ground and Merton Meadow.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out the criteria that must be met in considering proposals for the redevelopment of Hereford United football club/Merton Meadow for a new stadium, new road proposals, office and residential development.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR23 CIVIC QUARTER		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P6 in favouring forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in giving high priority to conserving and enhancing the characteristic Herefordshire landscape, designated areas, historic buildings and archaeology, guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to services and facilities and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns and can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the development of the civic quarter for public and commercial offices.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out the criteria that must be met in considering proposals for land in the civic quarter for public and	✓

	commercial offices.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR25 LAND FOR RETAIL WAREHOUSING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including retail	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns and can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the development of land at Holmer Road for retail warehousing.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as identifies land at Holmer Road for development for large scale retail warehousing. Whilst part of the land has already been developed, there is a remaining part which does not benefit from planning permission.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration, including retailing.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: TCR26 LAND AT COMMERCIAL ROAD		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P6 in favouring forms of	✓

	land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in giving high priority to conserving and enhancing the characteristic Herefordshire landscape, designated areas, historic buildings and archaeology, guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to services and facilities and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA1 – Prosperity for All which states that emphasis should be given to locating development where it can help meet the needs of rural renaissance, especially of market towns and can serve the needs of the local regeneration areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the development of commercial road for a mixed-use office/leisure development.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies land at Commercial Road for a mixed-use office/leisure development.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

TRANSPORT

POLICY: T1 PUBLIC TRANSPORT FACILITIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter	✓

	3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RRS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (ii) of Policy T1 – Developing accessibility and mobility within the Region to support the spatial strategy, which states improved access will be achieved by measures to improve accessibility and mobility in urban areas, market towns and rural areas so that more sustainable means of travel are encouraged and local regeneration initiatives are supported.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides the criteria for assessing proposals for new or improved facilities and infrastructure for public transport. In addition, it safeguards land at Withington, Moreton-on-Lugg and Pontrilas for the potential re-opening of railway stations.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T2 PARK & RIDE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T6 – Strategic Park & Ride which states that local authorities and other organisations should work together to develop a network of Strategic Park & Ride sites to reduce congestion in major cities. Part C of the policy provides the criteria against which locations for park & ride should be considered.	✓

Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides the criteria for assessing proposals for bus or rail based park and ride schemes for Hereford.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports infrastructure for housing, economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T3 PROTECTION & DEVELOPMENT OF THE RAIL NETWORK		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport and guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T2 – Reducing the need to travel reducing the length of journeys through supporting the retention and enhancement of local service provision, especially where public transport provision is poor.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 46 of PPG13 – Transport states that development plans should ensure any disused transport sites and routes are not	✓

	unnecessarily severed by ne development. It is locally specific as safeguards land within Herefordshire with the potential for enhancing the capacity and use of the rail network from development that would obstruct such use.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports infrastructure for housing, economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T4 RAIL FREIGHT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy T10 – Freight, which states that the reliable movement of goods and services is the lifeblood of the West Midlands economy. Development plans should aim to improve the efficiency of freight movement by (iv) encouraging the use of rail for freight, (v) safeguarding existing and disused railway lines and sidings which could be used for rail traffic in the future and (vi) encouraging the development of new rail freight terminals and improving access to those terminals.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged.	✓

Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 45 of PPG13 – Transport states that development plans should identify and protect sites and routes that could be critical in developing infrastructure for the movement of freight. It is locally specific as it safeguards 9 specific sites in the county that have the potential to promote greater use of rail freight.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T5 SAFEGUARDING FORMER RAILWAY LAND		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RRS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (ii) of Policy T1 – Developing accessibility and mobility within the Region to support the spatial strategy, which states improved access will be achieved by measures to improve accessibility and mobility in urban areas, market towns and rural areas so that more sustainable means of travel are encouraged and local regeneration initiatives are supported.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as in line with PPG13 – Transport it safeguards former	✓

	railway land and structures from development or demolition for transport (including recreational transport) wherever practical and appropriate. This could be for restored railways, bus ways, walking/cycling/riding routes.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T6 WALKING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport and guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T3, which states that development plans should provide greater opportunities for walking and cycling by developing safe, convenient and secure networks, giving pedestrians and cyclists priority, expand 'cycle & ride' and ensure new developments improve walking and cycling facilities.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves established public rights of way.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraph 75 of PPG13 – Transport however, the policy provides greater criteria for establishing walking within development proposals. It is also locally specific as it protects recognised public rights of way and established walking routes from development proposals.	✓

Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T7 CYCLING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T3, which states that development plans should provide greater opportunities for walking and cycling by developing safe, convenient and secure networks, giving pedestrians and cyclists priority, expand ‘cycle & ride’ and ensure new developments improve walking and cycling facilities.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves established cycle routes.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraphs 78, 79 and 80 of PPG13 – Transport however, the policy is locally specific as it identifies 15 planned cycle routes and protects the provision of planned routes.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T8 ROAD HIERARCHY		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RRS phase 1 & phase 2 policy T9 – The Management and Development of National and Regional Transport Networks in bringing detailed forward detailed policies to ensure capacity is safeguarded by appropriate selection of development location, minimising the need for local movements to the strategic network.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves the strategic highway network.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies the road hierarchy within Herefordshire as defined in the Local Transport Plan and states that new accesses on the strategic highway network will not be encouraged and should not inhibit the strategic function of these routes.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T9 ROAD FREIGHT

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy T10 – Freight, which states that the reliable movement of goods and services is the lifeblood of the West Midlands economy. Development plans should aim to improve the efficiency of freight movement by (ii) addressing delivery and servicing problems through traffic management and (vii) encouraging developments that generate significant amounts of freight to have good access to the network.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves the strategic highway network.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 45 of PPG13 – Transport states that development plans should where possible, located developments generating substantial freight movements from congested central and residential areas and ensure adequate access to trunk roads. The policy is locally specific as it provides the criteria for assessing proposals and requires the submission of workplace travel plans.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T10 SAFEGUARDING OF ROAD SCHEMES

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T9 – The Management and Development of National and Regional Transport Networks, which states that local authorities will give high priority to investment in the maintenance, management and selective improvements of the network.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves the strategic highway network.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it protects 3 new road schemes, or improvement of existing roads that have yet to be delivered from development that would prejudice their implementation.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the infrastructure for housing, economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T11 PARKING PROVISION		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in	✓

	town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T7 – Car parking Standards and Management.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves the strategic highway network.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. The policy is locally specific as it waives or restricts parking provision within conservation areas or where the setting of listed buildings may be affected to preserve the historic environment. In addition, within the central shopping and commercial area of Hereford, no further private non-residential parking will be permitted.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the infrastructure for housing, economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T12 EXISTING PARKING AREAS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10	✓

	in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T7 – Car parking Standards and Management.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves existing parking areas.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it supports the re-development or re-use of existing private parking areas within Hereford and the market towns to encourage the use of alternative modes of transport and provide for commuted payments towards improving other forms of transport.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports infrastructure for housing, economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T13 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SCHEMES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓

Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T9 – The Management and Development of National and Regional Transport Networks, which states that in bringing forward detailed policies consideration should be given to (i) optimising the use of existing infrastructure across all modes and (ii) ensuring capacity is safeguarded by appropriate selection of development location, minimising the need for local movements.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves the strategic highway network.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it supports development of Traffic management schemes within Hereford, the market towns and villages.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the infrastructure for housing, economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T14 SCHOOL TRAVEL		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T2 – Reducing the need to travel which (i) encourages those development which generate significant travel demands to be located where their	✓

	accessibility to public transport, walking and cycling is maximised and (ii) promoting patterns of development which reduce the need for travel.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves the strategic highway network.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it relates to proposals for new, expansion of and associated facilities for schools and the need to include a school travel plan. It also requires and new housing development to include arrangements to support safer routes to school.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T15 AIR TRANSPORT FACILITIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 7 phase 2 policy T11 – Airports which states that improvements to strategic and local transport networks and interchanges be provided in order to ensure continued access by all modes to airports is maintained.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged.	✓

conservation of the area is envisaged?		
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 5(2) of Appendix B of PPG13 – Transport recognises the role of small airports and airfields in serving business, recreational, training and emergency services need. The policy is locally specific as it provides the criteria for assessing proposals for the development of airfields, helipads, landing strips or expansion of current facilities and operations.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: T16 ACCESS FOR ALL		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those, which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including transport. Supports guiding principle P9 in promoting better accessibility to work, services and facilities in ways which reduce the overall need to travel and promote the use of non-car based transport, guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy T2 – Reducing the need to travel which (i) encourages those development which generate significant travel demands to be located where their accessibility to public transport, walking and cycling is maximised and (ii) promoting patterns of development which reduce the need for travel.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in the use or development of land is envisaged and conserves the strategic highway network.	✓

Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it requires development proposals to take account of the needs of disabled, older people, parents and young children. In addition it requires schemes to adequately address pedestrian movements in their proposals.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration through providing improved transport infrastructure.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

NATURAL & HISTORIC HERITAGE

POLICY: LA1 AREAS OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in giving high priority to conserving and enhancing the characteristic Herefordshire landscape including designated areas.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE1, Part B (ii) in conserving and enhancing those areas of the Region, where exceptional qualities should be reinforced by sustainable use and management including Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy aims to protect and enhance the natural beauty and amenity of the area in the national interest.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. Whilst the policy is largely repetitive of PPS7 – Sustainable Development in Rural Areas. It is locally specific however, as it refers to the Malvern Hills and Wye Valley Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the relevant management plans. Paragraph 21 of PPS7 states that AONBs have the highest status of protection in relation to landscape and scenic beauty. The conservation of the natural beauty of the landscape and countryside should therefore be given great weight in planning policies. The policy also links to the Council	✓

	Landscape Character Assessment Supplementary Planning Document.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: LA2 LANDSCAPE CHARACTER & AREAS LEAST RESILIENT TO CHANGE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing the Herefordshire landscape and the processes that support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, Policy QE1 – Conserving and enhancing the environment, part B (i) in supporting regeneration, by restoring degraded areas and (iv) in protecting and enhancing the distinctive character of parts of the Region as recognised by the natural and character areas and associated landscape character assessments. In addition, it is in conformity with RSS Phase 1 & Phase 2 Policy QE6 – The Conservation, enhancement and restoration of the landscape. Local Authorities in their plans, policies and proposals should conserve, enhance and, where necessary restore the quality, diversity and distinctiveness of the landscape character.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy aims to protect and enhance the natural beauty and amenity of the area in the national interest.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 24 of PPS7 states that there are areas of landscape outside nationally designated areas that are particularly highly valued locally. Carefully crafted, criteria based policies, utilising tools such as landscape character assessment, should provide sufficient protection for those areas.	✓

	The policy is locally specific as summary details of the Herefordshire Landscape Character Assessment have been published separately as Supplementary Planning Guidance to complement and provide further guidance and detail for the policy.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: LA3 SETTING OF SETTLEMENTS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports delivery of UDP guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of both new development and improvements to existing development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all in securing a high quality of townscape, urban form, building design and urban spaces, through the use of landscape design which respects local character, culture and history. In addition Part B (i) of Policy QE5 – Protection and enhancement of the historic environment recognises historic rural landscapes and their settlement patterns as of particular historic significance to the West Midlands.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy aims to conserve the landscape setting of settlements from inappropriate development.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it aims to protect the landscape setting of settlements outside the areas of Hereford, the market towns and rural settlements from inappropriate development. Paragraph 12 of PPS7 states that many county towns and villages are of considerable historic and architectural value, or make an important contribution to local countryside character. Planning Authorities should	✓

	ensure that development respects and, where possible, enhance those particular qualities. It should also contribute to a sense of local identity and regional diversity and be of an appropriate design and scale for its location.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: LA4 PROTECTION OF HISTORIC PARKS & GARDENS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing the Herefordshire landscape and the processes that support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (i) of Policy QE5 – Protection and enhancement of the historic environment that recognises historic parks and gardens, in their settings, as being of particular historic significance to the West Midlands.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy aims to conserve the setting of historic parks and gardens.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 2.24 of PPG15 requires local authorities to protect registered parks and gardens in development plans. The advice in PPG15 is also clear that the effect of proposed development on a registered park or garden or its setting is a material consideration in the determination of a planning application. Although there is some repetition between PPG15 and UDP policy LA4, it is considered necessary to save the policy as it specifically refers to the impact on the <u>historic character</u> of the park and gardens as being important.	✓

Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: LA5 PROTECTION OF TREES, WOODLANDS & HEDGEROWS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving special protection to the distinctive character of local environments.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part (iv) of Policy QE6 – The conservation, enhancement and restoration of the Region’s landscape that states that Local Authorities should in their plans and policies conserve, enhance and where necessary, restore the quality, diversity and distinctiveness of landscape character by protecting and, where possible, enhancing natural features that contribute to the character of the landscape and townscape and local distinctiveness.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for the protection of individual trees, tree groups, woodlands and hedgerows.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as part 4 of the policy refers to the Woodland Management Guidelines produced for the Malvern Hills and Wye Valley AONBs as a material planning consideration.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: LA6 LANDSCAPING SCHEMES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P10 in promoting high	✓

	design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of both new development and improvements to existing development.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all in securing a high quality of townscape, urban form, building design and urban spaces, through the use of landscape design which respects local character, culture and history. The UDP is in conformity with RSS Phase 1 & 2 part (iv) of Policy QE6 – The conservation, enhancement and restoration of the Region’s landscape that states that Local Authorities should in their plans and policies conserve, enhance and where necessary, restore the quality, diversity and distinctiveness of landscape character by protecting and, where possible, enhancing natural features that contribute to the character of the landscape and townscape and local distinctiveness.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy requires the submission of landscaping schemes as an integral part of any development proposals that will affect the visual amenity or character of the location.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. The policy cross-references to policy LA2 – Landscape character and policy LA5 – Protection of trees, woodlands and hedgerows that are proposed to be saved.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: NC1 BIODIVERSITY & DEVELOPMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, conserving, restoring and enhancing features of geological interest and biodiversity and the processes which support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓

Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE7 - Protecting, managing and enhancing the Region's biodiversity and nature conservation resources. The plan should encourage the maintenance and enhancement of the Region's biodiversity resources.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that protected species, habitats and features of geological interest are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It sets out the criteria that development proposals should meet to be acceptable.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: NC2 SITES OF INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANCE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting features of geological interest and biodiversity and the processes that support them.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE7- Protecting, managing and enhancing the Region's biodiversity and nature conservation resources. The plan should encourage the maintenance and enhancement of the Region's biodiversity resources.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that protected species, habitats and features of geological interest are protected.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is repetitive of national policy. Paragraph 6 of PPS9 states that 'The most important sites for biodiversity are those	X

	<p>identified through International and European Directives. Local Planning Authorities should identify these sites on proposal maps and cross-refer to the statutory protection given to these sites in the explanatory text. Since they enjoy statutory protection specific policies in respect of these sites should not be included in local development documents.</p> <p>Paragraph 5.2 of Planning for Biodiversity & Geological Conservation: A Guide to Good Practice sets out the RTP1 five point approach to planning decisions for biodiversity. In addition, Circular 06/2005 sets out the statutory tests that Local Authorities must take with regards to sites of international importance.</p> <p>Given the advice in paragraph 6 of PPS 9 it is considered necessary to delete this policy.</p>	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	DELETE POLICY

POLICY: NC3 SITES OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, conserving and enhancing features of geological interest and biodiversity and the processes that support them.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE7- Protecting, managing and enhancing the Region’s biodiversity and nature conservation resources. Plans and policies should encourage the maintenance and enhancement of the Region’s wider biodiversity resources.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that protected species, habitats and features of geological interest are conserved.	✓

Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 7 of PPS9 states that SSSIs that are not statutorily protected should be given a high degree of protection under the planning system through appropriate policies in plans. Given the advice in paragraph 7 it is considered necessary to save the policy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: NC4 SITES OF LOCAL IMPORTANCE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, conserving and enhancing features of geological interest and biodiversity and the processes that support them.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE7 - Protecting, managing and enhancing the Region's biodiversity and nature conservation resources. Plans and policies should encourage the maintenance and enhancement of the Region's wider biodiversity resources.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that protected species, habitats and features of geological interest are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 9 of PPS9 – Biodiversity and Geological Conservation requires local authorities to have criteria based policies in local development documents against which any development on, or affecting, locally important nature conservation sites will be judged. Given the advice in paragraph 9 it is considered necessary to save the policy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: NC5 EUROPEAN & NATIONALLY PROTECTED SPECIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, conserving and enhancing features of geological interest and biodiversity and the processes that support them.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE7 - Protecting, managing and enhancing the Region's biodiversity and nature conservation resources. The plan should encourage the maintenance and enhancement of biodiversity resources.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that protected species, habitats and features of geological interest are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy repeats national policy. Paragraph 15 of PPS9 states that many individual wildlife species receive statutory protection under a range of legislative provisions, and specific policies in respect of the species should not be included in local development documents. Paragraph 5.10 of the Planning for Biodiversity & Geological Conservation: A Guide to Good Practice acknowledges the development control process as playing a critical part in ensuring that statutory protection of species is applied and that Part 4 of Circular 06/2005 sets out the statutory tests that Local Authorities must take with regards to protecting European and nationally protected species. In addition, Circular 2/2002: European protected species and changes in licensing procedures provides for the protection of species through the licensing regime. Given the advice in paragraph 15 of PPS9 it is considered necessary to delete this policy.	X
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X

	CONCLUSION	DELETE POLICY
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POLICY: NC6 BIODIVERSITY ACTION PLAN PRIORITY HABITATS & SPECIES

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, conserving and enhancing features of geological interest and biodiversity and the processes that support them.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE7 - Protecting, managing and enhancing the Region's biodiversity and nature conservation resources. The plan should encourage the maintenance and enhancement of biodiversity resources and include policies and proposals to achieve its minimum share of the UK Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) and targets of local partnerships and others BAPs.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that protected species, habitats and features of geological interest are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 16 of PPS9 states that Local Authorities should take measures to protect the habitats of these species from further decline through policies in local development documents. The policy is also locally specific, as it requires development to have regard to Herefordshire Biodiversity Action Plans. Given the advice in paragraph 16 and the local element it is considered necessary to save this policy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: NC7 COMPENSATION FOR LOSS OF BIODIVERSITY

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in enhancing features of geological interest and biodiversity and the processes that support them.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE7 - Protecting, managing and enhancing the Region's biodiversity and nature conservation resources. The plan should encourage the enhancement of biodiversity resources.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that protected species, habitats and features of geological interest are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. The policy is locally specific, as it requires appropriate mitigation and compensatory measures and cross-references to other biodiversity policies in the development plan.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: NC8 HABITAT CREATION, RESTORATION & ENHANCEMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, conserving and enhancing features of geological interest and biodiversity, the processes that support them and to take a common approach to biodiversity and nature conservation issues which cross local planning authority and Regional boundaries, especially those relevant to the strategic river corridors of the River Wye.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓

Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE1 - Conserving and enhancing the environment. Part B of the policy states that Local Authorities in their plans, policies and proposals should protect and where possible enhance other irreplaceable assets and those of a limited or declining quantity, which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality such as specific wildlife habitats and river environments.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that protected species, habitats and features of geological interest are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 12 of PPS9 states that Local Authorities should aim to maintain networks through policies in plans. The policy is locally specific, as part 4 requires measures to contribute towards one or more targets in the Herefordshire Biodiversity Action Plans. Given the advice in paragraph 12 and 14 of PPS9 and the local element it is considered necessary to save this policy.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: NC9 MANAGEMENT OF FEATURES OF THE LANDSCAPE IMPORTANT FOR FAUNA & FLORA		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, conserving and enhancing features of geological interest and biodiversity and the processes that support them.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE1: Conserving and enhancing the environment and policy QE7: Protecting, managing and enhancing the Region's biodiversity and nature conservation resources. The plan should encourage the	✓

	maintenance and enhancement of biodiversity resources.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that protected species, habitats and features of geological interest are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 14 of PPS9 states that development proposals provide many opportunities for building in beneficial biodiversity or geological features as part of good design. Local Authorities should maximise such opportunities in and around developments. The policy is locally specific as it requires management and monitoring of features and cross-references to policy NC7, which is recommended for saving.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA1 ALTERATIONS & EXTENSIONS TO LISTED BUILDINGS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving high priority to conserving and enhancing historic buildings and the processes which support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE1: Conserving and enhancing the environment states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals requires the conservation of existing environmental assets, and enhancement of other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality such as built heritage. Of particular historic significance are listed buildings. Part A of Policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect,	✓

	conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy seeks to ensure that listed buildings are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 2.4 of PPG15 states that Local Authorities should ensure that aspects of conservation policy that are relevant, directly or indirectly, to development control decisions are included – for instance, policies for alterations or extensions to listed buildings. Part 1 of the policy is repetitive of PPG15 but part 2-4 of the policy is locally specific and provides more detail for consideration than PPG15.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA2 DEMOLITION OF LISTED BUILDINGS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving high priority to conserving and enhancing historic buildings and the processes which support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase1 & phase 2, Part B of Policy QE1: Conserving and enhancing the environment states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals requires the conservation of existing environmental assets, and enhancement of other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality such as built heritage. Of particular historic significance are listed buildings. Part A of Policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic	✓

	environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that listed buildings are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraph 3.19 of PPG15 that sets out, only in exceptional circumstances, what must be demonstrated when determining applications for demolition of listed buildings. The policy is locally specific however, as it requires listed building consent to be conditional on a contract for the redevelopment works being signed and planning permission for those works granted prior to demolition taking place.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA3 CHANGE OF USE OF LISTED BUILDINGS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving high priority to conserving and enhancing historic buildings and the processes which support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of Policy QE1 - Conserving and enhancing the environment states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals requires the conservation of existing environmental assets, and enhancement of other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality such as built heritage. Of particular historic significance are listed buildings.	✓

	Part A of Policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that listed buildings are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 2.18 of PPS7 requires planning authorities to set out their policy criteria for permitting the conversion and re-use of buildings. The policy sets out the criteria and cross-references to policies HBA12 & HBA13. In addition, part 2 of the policy is locally specific as it refers specifically to the preservation of the existing building, its features and setting and where relevant those of any immediately adjacent buildings.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA4 SETTING OF LISTED BUILDINGS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving high priority to conserving and enhancing historic buildings and the processes which support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of Policy QE1 - Conserving and enhancing the environment states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals requires the conservation of existing environmental assets, and enhancement of other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the	✓

	Region's overall environmental quality such as built heritage. Of particular historic significance are listed buildings. Part A of Policy QE5 - Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that listed buildings are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraph 2.16 and 2.17 of PPG15. It is locally specific however, as it sets out how the impact of the proposal is to be judged in terms of scale, massing, location, detailed design and the effects of its uses and operations.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA5 DESIGNATION OF CONSERVATION AREAS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving high priority to conserving and enhancing designated areas and the processes which support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, Part B (i) of policy QE5 – Protection and enhancement of the historic environment that recognises, conservation areas, in their settings, as being of particular historic significance to the West Midlands.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy seeks to ensure that designated areas of conservation are conserved.	✓

Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraph 4.4 and 4.5 of PPG15 that sets out certain aspects that form the basis for a coherent assessment. However, the policy is locally specific as it identifies additional elements including in part 4 'precincts and similar important layouts creating enclosure, serial vision and views in and out of the area' and 'significant landmarks, vistas and panoramas' in part 7.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA6 NEW DEVELOPMENT WITHIN CONSERVATION AREAS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving high priority to conserving and enhancing historic buildings and the processes which support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, Part B (i) of policy QE5 – Protection and enhancement of the historic environment that recognises, conservation areas, in their settings, as being of particular historic significance to the West Midlands.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that designated areas of conservation are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 4.15 of PPG15 states that the status now accorded to the development plan by section 54A of the principal Act makes it particularly important that an authority's policies for its conservation areas, insofar as they bear on the exercise of development controls, should be set out in the local plan. PPG15 does not go into detail regarding the criteria for new development within conservation areas and therefore, the policy is locally specific.	✓

Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA7 DEMOLITION OF UNLISTED BUILDINGS WITHIN CONSERVATION AREAS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving high priority to conserving and enhancing historic buildings within designated areas and the processes which support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, Part B (i) of policy QE5 – Protection and enhancement of the historic environment that recognises, conservation areas, in their settings, as being of particular historic significance to the West Midlands.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The Policy seeks to ensure that locally important buildings in designated areas of conservation are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraphs 4.26, 4.27 and 4.29 of PPG15. However, it is locally specific as part 3 of the policy requires information where the structural condition of the building is such that the cost of repair out-weighs the importance of its retention.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA8 LOCALLY IMPORTANT BUILDINGS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving high priority to conserving and enhancing historic buildings and the processes which	✓

	support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy QE5 – Protection and enhancement of the historic environment that states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region’s diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy seeks to ensure that locally important buildings are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 6.16 of PPG15 states that planning authorities can formulate local plan policies for the protection of locally important buildings.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA9 PROTECTION OF OPEN AREAS & GREEN SPACES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets giving high priority to conserving and enhancing designated areas and the processes which support them, and ensuring sympathetic integration of new land use and development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, Part B (i) of policy QE4 – Greenery, Urban Greenspace and Public Spaces which states that development plan policies should create and enhance urban	✓

	green space networks by ensuring adequate protection is given to key features such as open spaces.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy seeks to ensure that open areas are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to land that has already been established within Hereford, the market towns or main villages as being shown on the proposal maps.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA10 SHOPFRONTS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards of both new development and existing development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (i) of policy QE3 – Creating a high quality built environment for all which states that particular attention should be given to securing a high quality of townscape, urban form, building design through the use of architecture and urban design which respects regional and local character, culture and history. In addition RSS Phase 1 & 2, part A of policy QE5 – Protection and enhancement of the historic environment that states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region’s diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness. Of particular historic significance are listed buildings and conservation areas.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or	Yes. The policy conserves historic shop fronts within conservation areas and on listed buildings.	✓

conservation of the area is envisaged?		
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to the repair or retention of historic shop fronts within conservation areas and on listed buildings, which contribute to the character of the area or building respectively and provides a set of criteria for consideration of alterations to those historic shop fronts.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	✗
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA11 ADVERTISING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards of both new development and existing development.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE3: Creating a high quality built environment for all states that particular attention should be given to securing a high quality of townscape.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	✗
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is repetitive of paragraphs 4.31 to 4.37 of PPG15 with regards to advertisements and the duty to pay special attention to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of an area. The policy is also repetitive of paragraphs 11 to 14 of PPG19 with regards to amenity and paragraphs 15 to 16 of PPG19 with regards to public safety. The policy repeats national policy and is therefore recommended for deletion.	✗

Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	DELETE POLICY

POLICY: HBA12 RE-USE OF RURAL BUILDINGS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P8 in promoting sustainable land use and management through the recycling of previously developed buildings for appropriate new uses.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE1: Conserving and enhancing the environment which states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals provide for the re-use of redundant and under used buildings of merit. Part C of policy QE3: Creating a high quality built environment for all states that Local Authorities should have regard to how buildings could be reused to achieve the objective of policy QE3. Part A of policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness. In particular strategies should explore the regeneration potential of traditional buildings in the countryside and recognise the value of conservation led regeneration.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy seeks to ensure that buildings of architectural or historic merit are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Paragraph 17 of PPS7 states that Local Authorities in plans and policies should set out their criteria for permitting the conversion and re-use of buildings in the countryside for economic, residential and any other purposes, including mixed uses. The policy sets out the criteria to be applied in determining planning applications.	✓

	In addition, the policy links to the Council Supplementary Planning Guidance: Re-use and Adaptation of Rural Buildings.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: HBA13 RE-USE OF RURAL BUILDINGS FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P8 in promoting sustainable land use and management through the recycling of previously developed buildings for appropriate new uses.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE1: Conserving and enhancing the environment which states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals provide for the re-use of redundant and under used buildings of merit. Part C of policy QE3: Creating a high quality built environment for all states that Local Authorities should have regard to how buildings could be reused to achieve the objective of policy QE3. Part A of policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness. In particular strategies should explore the regeneration potential of traditional buildings in the countryside and recognise the value of conservation led regeneration.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy seeks to ensure that buildings of architectural or historic merit are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Paragraph 17 of PPS7 states that Local Authorities in plans and policies should set out their criteria for permitting the conversion and re-use of buildings in the countryside for economic, residential	✓

	and any other purposes, including mixed uses. The policy sets out the criteria to be applied in determining planning applications. In addition, the policy links to the Council Supplementary Planning Guidance: Re-use and Adaptation of Rural Buildings.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: ARCH1 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENTS & FIELD EVALUATIONS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P7 in safeguarding and perpetuating environmental assets and to give special attention to irreplaceable resources such as archaeological remains.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE1: Conserving and enhancing the environment which states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals protect and where possible enhance other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality such as historic landscape features and built heritage. Part A of policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Policy ensures that areas of archaeological importance are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 15 of PPG16 states that detailed development plans should include policies for the protection, enhancement and preservation of sites of archaeological interest and of their settings.	✓

	Paragraph 21b of PPG16 states that where important archaeological remains exist, it is reasonable for the planning authority to request the prospective developer to arrange for a field evaluation to be carried out before any decision on the planning application is made. The policy is locally specific as it refers to the need for a historic landscape appraisal where proposals are put forward in Archaeological Important Urban Areas (AIUA's). The AIUA settlements are listed in paragraph 9.7.7 of the UDP.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: ARCH2 FOUNDATION DESIGN & MITIGATION FOR URBAN SITES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P7 in safeguarding and perpetuating environmental assets and to give special attention to irreplaceable resources such as archaeological remains.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Policy ensures that areas of archaeological importance are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 15 of PPG16 states that detailed development plans should include policies for the protection, enhancement and preservation of sites of archaeological interest and of their settings. The policy is locally specific as it requires the submission of details	✓

	of the foundation design of development in Hereford Area of Archaeological Importance (AAI) and the historic market towns of Bromyard, Kington, Ledbury, Leominster and Ross-on-Wye.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: ARCH3 SCHEDULED ANCIENT MONUMENTS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P7 in safeguarding and perpetuating environmental assets and to give special attention to irreplaceable resources such as archaeological remains.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE1: Conserving and enhancing the environment which states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals protect and where possible enhance other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality such as historic landscape features and built heritage. Part A of policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness. Part B states that of particular historical significance to the West Midlands are scheduled and unscheduled ancient monuments.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Policy ensures that schedule ancient monuments in the county are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 16 of PPG16 states that archaeological remains identified and scheduled, as being of national importance should	✓

	normally be earmarked in development plans for preservation. The policy is locally specific as it refers to the Scheduled Ancient Monuments within Herefordshire and they are identified on the proposals maps.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: ARCH4 OTHER SITES OF NATIONAL OR REGIONAL IMPORTANCE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P7 in safeguarding and perpetuating environmental assets and to give special attention to irreplaceable resources such as archaeological remains.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE1: Conserving and enhancing the environment which states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals protect and where possible enhance other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality such as historic landscape features and built heritage. Part A of policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Policy ensures that areas of archaeological importance are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 16 of PPG16 states that other unscheduled archaeological remains of more local importance may also be identified in development plans and policies as particularly worthy	✓

	of preservation.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: ARCH5 SITES OF LESSER REGIONAL OR LOCAL IMPORTANCE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P7 in safeguarding and perpetuating environmental assets and to give special attention to irreplaceable resources such as archaeological remains.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE1: Conserving and enhancing the environment which states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals protect and where possible enhance other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality such as historic landscape features and built heritage. Part A of policy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Policy ensures that areas of archaeological importance are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 16 of PPG16 states that other unscheduled archaeological remains of more local importance may also be identified in development plans and policies as particularly worthy of preservation.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: ARCH6 RECORDING OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL REMAINS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P7 in safeguarding and perpetuating environmental assets and to give special attention to irreplaceable resources such as archaeological remains.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy QE5 - Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Policy ensures that areas of archaeological importance are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	The policy is largely repetitive of paragraph 25, 27 and 28 of PPG16. It is locally specific however; as it provides for excavation and/or recording before alteration, demolition, site clearance or commencement of development whereas PPS16 provides for commencement of development only.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: ARCH7 HEREFORD AAI		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P7 in safeguarding and perpetuating environmental assets and to give special attention to irreplaceable resources such as archaeological remains.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community	✓

the area?	Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A of policy QE5 - Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Policy ensures that areas of archaeological importance are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 15 of PPG16 states that detailed development plans should include policies for the protection, enhancement and preservation of sites of archaeological interest and their settings. The policy is locally specific as it refers to Hereford Area of Archaeological Importance.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: ARCH8 ENHANCEMENT & IMPROVED ACCESS TO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of guiding principle P7 in safeguarding and perpetuating environmental assets and to give special attention to irreplaceable resources such as archaeological remains.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE1 - Conserving and enhancing the environment which states that Local Authorities should in their plans, policies and proposals protect and where possible enhance other irreplaceable assets which are of fundamental importance to the Region's overall environmental quality such as historic landscape features and built	✓

	heritage. Part A of Ppolicy QE5: Protection and enhancement of the historic environment states that development plans should identify, protect, conserve and enhance the Region's diverse historic environment and manage change in such a way that respects local character and distinctiveness.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Policy ensures that areas of archaeological importance are conserved.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to the enhancement of sites of archaeological interest and where appropriate improvement of public access to them.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No. The policy is not topic based for which the government will have particular regard.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

RECREATION, SPORT AND TOURISM

POLICY: RST1 CRITERIA FOR RECREATION, SPORT & TOURISM DEVELOPMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states that local authorities should ensure that there is adequate provision of accessible high quality urban greenspace with an emphasis on maintaining and enhancing sports, playing fields and recreation	✓

	grounds. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA10 – Tourism and Culture which states that local authorities should identify those areas where the development of sustainable tourism can be encouraged to the benefit of the local economy and employment without damaging local environment or character. In addition, part C of RSS policy PA14 – Economic Development and the Rural Economy states that priority should be given to economic activity with strong links to the rural area, including tourism and leisure.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of PPG17 – Open Space, Sport and Recreation. It is locally specific however, as it refers to proposals within the open countryside only being permitted where the countryside is the primary resource for the proposal and the rural landscape and environment is sustained.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST2 RECREATION, SPORT & TOURISM DEVELOPMENT WITHIN AREAS OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states that local authorities should ensure that there is adequate provision of	✓

	<p>accessible high quality urban greenspace with an emphasis on maintaining and enhancing sports, playing fields and recreation grounds.</p> <p>In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA10 – Tourism and Culture which states that local authorities should identify those areas where the development of sustainable tourism can be encouraged to the benefit of the local economy and employment without damaging local environment or character.</p>	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	<p>Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for recreation, sport and tourism development within the Malvern Hills and Wye Valley Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty whilst conserving the unique character and qualities of the landscape, biodiversity and geological interests.</p>	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	<p>Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to the unique character and qualities of the landscape, biodiversity and geological interests in the Malvern Hills and Wye Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.</p>	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	<p>Yes. The policy supports economic development.</p>	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST3 STANDARDS FOR OUTDOOR PLAYING & PUBLIC OPEN SPACE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	<p>Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.</p>	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	<p>Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.</p>	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	<p>Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states that local authorities should ensure that there is adequate provision of accessible high quality urban greenspace with an emphasis on</p>	✓

	maintaining and enhancing sports, playing fields and recreation grounds.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 7 of PPG17 advises that local authorities should use information gained from their assessments of needs and opportunities to set locally derived standards for the provision of outdoor playing and public open space. The policy is locally specific as it sets out the standards.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST4 SAFEGUARDING EXISTING RECREATIONAL OPEN SPACE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (i) of policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states development plan policies should create and enhance urban greenspace networks by ensuring adequate protection is given to key features such as open spaces.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy conserves existing recreational open space.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies specific open spaces and	✓

	identifies those spaces with recognised value on the proposal maps. It also sets out the criteria when considering development proposals that involve the loss of public or private open space.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST5 NEW OPEN SPACE IN/ADJACENT TO SETTLEMENTS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states that local authorities should ensure that there is adequate provision of accessible high quality urban greenspace with an emphasis on maintaining and enhancing sports, playing fields and recreation grounds.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies new open space in/adjacent to settlements both in urban and rural areas. The open space will provide public recreational, amenity and facilities. The sites are identified on the proposal maps.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST6 – COUNTRYSIDE ACCESS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states development plan policies should create and enhance urban greenspace networks by (i) ensuring adequate protection is given to key features such as parks, footpaths and cycleways, river valleys, canals and open spaces, (ii) identifying the areas where new physical linkages between these areas need to be forged; and (iii) linking new urban greenspace to the wider countryside to encourage the spread of species.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to new access countryside facilities to resources such as common land, woodland, water, landscape, historic sites and nature conservation.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST7 PROMOTED RECREATIONAL ROUTES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in	✓

	town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states development plan policies should create and enhance urban greenspace networks by (i) ensuring adequate protection is given to key features such as footpaths and cycleways, river valleys, canals and open spaces, (ii) identifying the areas where new physical linkages between these areas need to be forged; and (iii) linking new urban greenspace to the wider countryside to encourage the spread of species.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 32 of PPS17 states that rights of way are an important recreational facility, which local authorities should protect and enhance. It is locally specific as the policy refers to the development and improvement of recreational routes being based on local routes. In addition, the Public Rights of Way Strategy sets out the process by which the Council will develop existing routes.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST8 WATERWAY CORRIDORS & OPEN WATER AREAS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health,	✓

	utilities, leisure and amenity.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states development plan policies should create and enhance urban greenspace networks by (i) ensuring adequate protection is given to key features such river valleys and canals, (ii) identifying the areas where new physical linkages between these areas need to be forged; and (iii) linking new urban greenspace to the wider countryside to encourage the spread of species.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for the conservation of landscape, historic heritage and biodiversity when considering recreational development on waterway corridors and open water areas.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to recreational development based on, or associated with the River Wye and Lugg navigations. It also has cross-reference to policies NC2 and NC3. It is proposed to delete policy NC2 - Sites of international importance. This is not considered to effect delivery of the proposal because sites of international importance enjoy statutory protection and specific policies in respect of these sites should not be included in local development documents.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST9 HEREFORDSHIRE & GLOUCESTERSHIRE CANAL		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓

Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B of policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states development plan policies should create and enhance urban greenspace networks by (i) ensuring adequate protection is given to key features such as canals, (ii) identifying the areas where new physical linkages between these areas need to be forged; and (iii) linking new urban greenspace to the wider countryside to encourage the spread of species.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for the safeguarding of the historic route of the Herefordshire and Gloucestershire Canal.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to the safeguarding of the Herefordshire and Gloucestershire Canal together with its associated infrastructure, buildings towpath and features.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST10 MAJOR SPORTS FACILITIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states that local authorities should ensure that there is adequate provision of	✓

	accessible high quality urban greenspace with an emphasis on maintaining and enhancing sports, playing fields and recreation grounds.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to proposals for new major sports facilities, meeting identified regional or sub regional needs.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it identifies that major sports facilities will only be permitted on the edge of Hereford and the market towns unless there is a demonstrable requirement for the use in a specific location.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy will support economic development.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST11 GOLF COURSES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE4 – Greenery, urban green space and public spaces which states that local authorities should ensure that there is adequate provision of accessible high quality urban greenspace with an emphasis on maintaining and enhancing sports, playing fields and recreation grounds.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X

Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is largely repetitive of paragraph 22 – Stadia and major developments in PPS17. In addition, proposals for golf courses, driving ranges and extensions to existing golf courses can be adequately determined using UDP policies S8, RST1, RST2 and RST10.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		DELETE POLICY

POLICY: RST12 VISITOR ACCOMMODATION		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA10 – Tourism and Culture which states that local authorities should identify those areas where the development of sustainable tourism can be encouraged to the benefit of the local economy and employment without damaging local environment or character.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 34 (i) of PPS7 states that local authorities should support, through planning policies, sustainable rural tourism. It is locally specific as it provides set criteria for consideration of proposals for accommodation for visitors both within identified settlements and outside identified settlements.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: RST13 RURAL & FARM TOURISM DEVELOPMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy PA10 – Tourism and Culture which states that local authorities should identify those areas where the development of sustainable tourism can be encouraged to the benefit of the local economy and employment without damaging local environment or character.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 34 (i) of PPS7 states that local authorities should support, through planning policies, sustainable rural tourism. In addition, RRS phase 1 & phase 2, policy PA15 – Agriculture and Farm Diversification states that development plans should include positive policies to promote agriculture and farm diversification through the development of innovative business schemes including sustainable tourism.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: RST14 STATIC CARAVANS, CHALETS, CAMPING & TOURING CARAVAN SITES
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GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities in town and country, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health, utilities, leisure and amenity.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2 ,part C of policy PA10 – Tourism and Culture which states that local authorities should identify those areas where the development of sustainable tourism can be encouraged to the benefit of the local economy and employment without damaging local environment or character.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 39 (ii) of PPS7 states that local authorities should, where appropriate (e.g. in popular holiday areas), set out policies on the provision of new holiday and touring caravan sites and chalet developments, and on the expansion and improvement of existing sites and developments. The policy sets out the criteria for this form of development.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports economic development and regeneration.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

MINERALS

POLICY: M2 BORROW PITS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principles P1, P7 & P8 in ensuring protection, restoration and enhancement of the	✓

	environment.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy M1 – Mineral Working for Non Energy Minerals (page 88 & page 140) and RSS Phase 1 & Phase 2 Policy M4 – Energy Minerals (page 92 & page 145).	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. Borrow pits are used in the course of large-scale civil engineering construction projects.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. The policy is locally specific and refers to the need to ensure that borrow pits are controlled and subject to the same environmental considerations as other mineral workings and the requirement for reclamation.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard	Yes. Borrow pits may form part of the infrastructure in the delivery of housing and economic development and regeneration of the county.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: M3 CRITERIA FOR NEW AGGREGATE MINERAL WORKINGS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principles P1, P7 & P8 in ensuring protection, restoration and enhancement of the environment.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy M1 – Mineral Working for Non Energy Minerals (page 88 & page 140)	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the development of land where new aggregate mineral workings are proposed.	✓

Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. MPS1 paragraph 13 states that planning authorities should define mineral safeguarding areas (MSAs). Given that the UDP does not define MSAs the UDP policy provides the local framework for assessing planning applications for new aggregate mineral workings.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. New aggregate workings may form part of the infrastructure in the delivery of housing and economic development and regeneration of the county.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: M4 NON-AGGREGATE BUILDING STONE & SMALL SCALE CLAY PRODUCTION		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P7 in ensuring protection, restoration and enhancement of environmental resources, giving special attention to irreplaceable resources and to the local distinctive character✓ of the area.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In accordance with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy M1, part A (iii) – Mineral Working for Non Energy Minerals which states the contribution alternative sources of materials should be taken into account when making provision for the supply of minerals	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the development of land where new non-aggregate building stone may be proposed.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. The policy is locally specific and refers to the need for the material for the preservation of local distinctiveness, particularly features of local historic or architectural interest, listed and vernacular buildings or archaeological sites. Also provides for the provision of small-scale clay production.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard	Yes. Non-aggregate building stone may form part of the infrastructure in the delivery of housing and economic development and regeneration of the county.	✓

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: M5 SAFEGUARDING MINERAL RESERVES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principles P1 and P5 in ensuring sustainable use of natural resources and minimising the depletion of scarce and non-renewable resources.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In accordance with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy M1, part B (v) – Mineral Working for Non Energy Minerals which states that development plans should safeguard mineral resources from other forms of development	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy conserves identified mineral resources.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. MPS1 paragraph 13 states that planning authorities should define mineral safeguarding areas (MSAs) in order that proven resources are not needlessly sterilised by non-mineral development. Given that the UDP does not define MSAs it is considered that the UDP policy is necessary in order to ensure that known minerals could be worked in the future are protected from sterilisation by other forms of development. In addition the policy is locally specific in that it requires a geological assessment of the site.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard	Yes. Identified mineral resources may form part of the infrastructure in the delivery of housing and economic development and regeneration of the county.	X
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

WASTE

POLICY: W1 NEW WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources, guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in protecting environmental assets, giving special attention to irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of new development. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A (i) of policy WD3 – Criteria for the Location of Waste Management Facilities which states that local authorities in their development plans should include policies for all major waste streams to guide the location and siting of waste treatment and recycling to appropriate locations, having regard to the proximity principle and other environmental and amenity principles.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in use or development is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy is largely repetitive of the locational criteria identified in Annex E of PPS10 – Planning for Sustainable Waste Management. The policy is locally specific however as it includes additional constraints to those identified in Appendix E and subdivides the locational criteria into primary and secondary constraints in determining applications for new waste management facilities.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: W2 LANDFILL OR LANDRAISING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources, guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in protecting environmental assets, giving special attention to irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of new development. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part C of policy WD3 – Criteria for the Location of Waste Management Facilities which states that development plans should restrict the granting of planning permission for new sites for landfill to proposals which are necessary to restore despoiled or degraded land.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in use or development is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it refers to not only landfilling but also changing landforms by landraising. The policies also cross-references to policy W1 – New Waste Management Facilities.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
POLICY: W3 WASTE TRANSPORTATION & HANDLING		

GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P10 in giving high priority to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A (i) of policy WD3 – Criteria for the Location of Waste Management Facilities which states that local authorities in their development plans should include policies for all major waste streams to guide the location and siting of waste treatment and recycling to appropriate locations, having regard to the proximity principle and other environmental and amenity principles.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is largely repetitive of UDP policy DR3 – Movement and DR4 – Environment. It is more specific as it allows measures to be applied for safe transportation of waste from source to treatment facility to protect the public and the environment.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: W4 TEMPORARY PERMISSIONS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources, guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in protecting environmental assets, giving special	✓

	attention to irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of new development. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A (i) of policy WD3 – Criteria for the Location of Waste Management Facilities which states that local authorities in their development plans should include policies for all major waste streams to guide the location and siting of waste treatment and recycling to appropriate locations, having regard to the proximity principle and other environmental and amenity principles.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in use or development is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for temporary permission where doubt exists about the character or potential effects of waste treatment proposals. The policy also cross-references to the need to comply with policy W1 – New Waste Management Facilities.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: W5 WASTE MANAGEMENT LICENSING		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources, guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in protecting environmental assets, giving special	✓

	attention to irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of new development. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A (i) of policy WD3 – Criteria for the Location of Waste Management Facilities which states that local authorities in their development plans should include policies for all major waste streams to guide the location and siting of waste treatment and recycling to appropriate locations, having regard to the proximity principle and other environmental and amenity principles.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides additional protection to that afforded through waste management licensing.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: W6 DEVELOPMENT IN THE VICINITY OF WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources, guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in protecting environmental assets, giving special attention to irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments and guiding principle P10 in promoting high	✓

	design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of new development. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A (i) of policy WD3 – Criteria for the Location of Waste Management Facilities which states that local authorities in their development plans should include policies for all major waste streams to guide the location and siting of waste treatment and recycling to appropriate locations, having regard to the proximity principle and other environmental and amenity principles.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in use or development is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for the protection of existing waste management facilities from large-scale development within 1km and all other development proposals within 250m of facilities.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: W7 LANDFILL GAS UTILISATION		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A (i) of policy WD3 – Criteria for the Location of Waste Management Facilities which states that local authorities in their development plans should	✓

	include policies for all major waste streams to guide the location and siting of waste treatment and recycling to appropriate locations, having regard to the proximity principle and other environmental and amenity principles.	
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for the installation of landfill gas utilisation where there are no unacceptable adverse impacts.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: W8 WASTE DISPOSAL FOR LAND IMPROVEMENT		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources, guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in protecting environmental assets, giving special attention to irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of new development. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2 policy QE6 – The conservation, enhancement and restoration of the Region’s landscape part (vi) identifying opportunities for the restoration of degraded landscapes including current and proposed minerals workings and waste disposal sites.	

Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy is effective for the area where significant change in use or development is envisaged.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides the criteria for assessing proposals to deposit waste for land improvement. The policy also cross-references to the need to comply with policy W1 – New Waste Management Facilities.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: W9 RECLAMATION, AFTERCARE & AFTERUSE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources, guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in protecting environmental assets, giving special attention to irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of new development. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2 policy QE6 – The conservation, enhancement and restoration of the Region's landscape part (vi) identifying opportunities for the restoration of degraded landscapes including current and proposed minerals workings and waste disposal sites.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or	No.	X

conservation of the area is envisaged?		
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for the granting of planning permission only where there are satisfactory proposals for reclamation, aftercare and after use.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: W10 TIME LIMITS FOR SECONDARY ACTIVITIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources, guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in protecting environmental assets, giving special attention to irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of new development. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, policy QE6 – The conservation, enhancement and restoration of the Region's landscape part (vi) identifying opportunities for the restoration of degraded landscapes including current and proposed minerals workings and waste disposal sites.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides for secondary activities on site but	✓

	ensures that these cease when the lifetime of the landfill expires so that reclamation can take place.	
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: W11 DEVELOPMENT – WASTE IMPLICATIONS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management which reduce energy consumption and waste, and encourage use of recycled and renewable resources, guiding principle P6 in favouring those forms of land use and development which work within environmental capacity, guiding principle P7 in protecting environmental assets, giving special attention to irreplaceable resources and to the distinctive character of local environments and guiding principle P10 in promoting high design standards in the location, setting, layout and construction of new development. High priority will be given to energy efficiency in terms of design, form, location and transport requirements.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part A (iii) of policy WD3 – Criteria for the Location of Waste Management Facilities that requires the submission of a waste audit and provision for in-house or on-site recycling and treatment of wastes, in the case of major development proposals.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it provides the information required to be submitted in a Waste Audit.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy is for waste management.	✓

	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY
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COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES

POLICY: CF1 UTILITY SERVICES & INFRASTRUCTURE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle, P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities, P5 in promoting forms of environmental management, P6 in favouring forms of land use that work within environmental capacity and P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (viii) of policy RR3 – Market Towns which states that through policies in development plans local authorities should provide community facilities, leisure and services.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out that proposals for utility services and infrastructure must not adversely affect the character and quality of the Malvern Hills and Wye Valley Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the delivery of infrastructure relating to housing and economic development and regeneration.	✓
	CONCLUSION	SAVE POLICY

POLICY: CF2 FOUL DRAINAGE		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle, P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities, P5 in	✓

	promoting forms of environmental management, P6 in favouring forms of land use that work within environmental capacity and P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (viii) of policy RR3 – Market Towns which states that through policies in development plans local authorities should provide community facilities, leisure and services.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out a sequential approach to ensure that development makes satisfactory arrangements for foul drainage.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy relates to infrastructure for housing, economic development and regeneration.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: CF3 TELECOMMUNICATIONS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (viii) of policy RR3 – Market Towns which states that through policies in development plans local authorities should provide community facilities and services.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X

Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. Paragraph 39 of PPG8 – Telecommunications states that local plans should set out policies and proposals for the location of telecommunication developments. The policy is locally specific as it sets out the criteria for assessing proposals for telecommunications and has regard to the protection of the Malvern Hills and Wye Valley Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, conservation areas and listed buildings.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: CF4 RENEWABLE ENERGY		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P5 in promoting forms of environmental management, P6 in favouring forms of land use that work within environmental capacity and P7 in protecting, restoring and enhancing environmental assets.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. the UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1& phase 2, EN1 – Energy Generation and policy EN2 – Energy Conservation.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy conserves sites of both international importance and national importance.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out the criteria for assessing proposals for renewable energy and has regard to the protection of the Malvern Hills and Wye Valley Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports renewable energy.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: CF5 NEW COMMUNITY FACILITIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P2 in working towards an improved balance between housing, work community, educational and cultural facilities throughout the County and guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (viii) of policy RR3 – Market Towns which states that through policies in development plans local authorities should provide community facilities, leisure and services.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out the criteria that must be assessed in proposals for new community facilities.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy relates to the infrastructure necessary to support housing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: CF6 RETENTION OF EXISTING FACILITIES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P2 in working towards an improved balance between housing, work community, educational and cultural facilities throughout the County and guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓

Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (viii) of policy RR3 – Market Towns which states that through policies in development plans local authorities should retain community facilities, leisure and services.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	Yes. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it sets out the criteria that must be assessed in proposals for the loss of existing facilities.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy relates to the infrastructure necessary to support housing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: CF7 RESIDENTIAL NURSING & CARE HOMES		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities, giving priority to those which are appropriate to the location and character of the area in question, including health and welfare.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (viii) of policy RR3 – Market Towns which states that through policies in development plans access must be improved to health facilities and enable their integration with social and other service provision.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	No.	X
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy does not merely repeat national or regional policy. It is locally specific as it restricts the development of residential nursing and care homes to those areas where new residential development is acceptable.	✓

Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports the provision of housing.	✓
CONCLUSION		SAVE POLICY

POLICY: CF8 SCHOOLS		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P2 in working towards an improved balance between housing, work community, educational and cultural facilities throughout the County and guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to services and facilities.	✓
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1 & phase 2, part B (vii) of policy RR3 – Market Towns which states that through policies in development plans the developing role of higher and further education should be facilitated.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy provides for the development of two new schools.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is not necessary as both schools referred to in the policy have been built.	✓
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	No.	X
CONCLUSION		DELETE POLICY

POLICY: CF9 COMMUNITY FACILITIES AT BRADBURY ESTATE, HEREFORD		
GOVERNMENT CRITERIA	COMMENT	MEETS
Is there a clear central strategy?	Yes. Supports the delivery of UDP guiding principle P2 in working towards an improved balance between housing, work community, educational and cultural facilities throughout the County and guiding principle P3 in protecting and improving opportunities for access to	✓

	services and facilities.	
Does the Policy have regard to the Community Strategy for the area?	Yes. The UDP is in conformity with the Herefordshire Community Strategy – a Sustainable Future for the County, as detailed in Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1.3 and 3.1.4 of the UDP.	✓
Is the policy in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy?	Yes. In conformity with RSS phase 1& phase 2, part A of policy RR3 – Market Towns which states that market towns have a key role in helping to regenerate rural areas, as a focus for sustainable economic and housing development and by providing services and other facilities.	✓
Is the policy effective for any part of Herefordshire where significant change in the use or development of land or conservation of the area is envisaged?	Yes. The policy relates to the provision of a new housing estate.	✓
Is the policy necessary and does not merely repeat national or regional policy?	No. The policy is not necessary as funding for the community facilities has been secured through a section 106 agreement in relation to the development of the site for housing.	X
Is the policy topic based for which the government will have particular regard?	Yes. The policy supports infrastructure necessary to support housing.	✓
	CONCLUSION	DELETE POLICY