

Brecon Beacons Local Development Plan 2007 – 2022

Hearing Session 6: Overarching Policies (Historic Environment and Climate Change)

Matters & Issues Agenda

1. Welcome and Introduction

2. Procedural Matters

3. Conserving the Historic Environment

- a) Should section 4.14 include cross-reference to Planning Policy Wales?
- b) Would it be clearer for developers if paragraph 4.14.8.3 was amended so that reference to "Environment Impact Assessment" was replaced with "an assessment of the significance of the impact of development on historic landscape areas"? Would this form part of the EIA in any case?
- c) Will the requirements of Policy 9 'Sustainable Design in the Adaption and Re-use of Existing Buildings' impact upon the viability of such schemes and inhibit the re-development and conversion of existing buildings?
- d) How will applicants be expected to demonstrate that they have investigated the application of Low and Zero Carbon technologies?

4. Climate Change

- a) Will the requirements of Policy SP4 'Climate Change' impact upon development viability and delivery?

5. Sustainable Development

- a) Policy SP 11 'Sustainable Design' requires residential developments of 3 dwellings + and commercial development of over 500sqm to provide at least 20% of their energy requirements from low or zero carbon resources. Is there sufficient justification for a departure from national planning policy requirements?
- b) Will the requirements of the policy impact upon development viability and delivery? Have the cumulative impact of all policy requirements in the LDP been assessed in terms of viability?
- c) Should the Policies designed to mitigate impact refer to landscape as being vulnerable to future development?

6. Renewable Energy

- a) Should criterion b) of Policy SP9 'Renewable Energy' add qualification to the word "adverse"?

- b) Is the concept "natural beauty" in criterion b) sufficiently explained? Would reference to landscape better achieve the Policy objectives?

7. Any Other Matters

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