

SECTION 11: CONTACTS AND FURTHER GUIDANCE

Introduction

Information on the Local Development Framework and current consultations are available on the Authority's website.

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Further Guidance

The following websites contain information relevant to this Supplementary Planning Document:

Planning Policy

- Planning Policy Statement 1: Delivering Sustainable Development (February 2005) DCLG <http://www.communities.gov.uk/index.asp?id=1143804>
- Planning Policy Statement 7: Sustainable Development in Rural Areas (August 2004) DCLG <http://www.communities.gov.uk/index.asp?id=1143823>
- Planning Policy Statement 22: Renewable Energy (August 2004) DCLG <http://www.communities.gov.uk/index.asp?id=1143908>

- Regional Planning Guidance for the North East (2002) http://www.gone.gov.uk/gone/docs/planning/planning_guidance.pdf
- VIEW: Shaping the North East . North East Regional Spatial Strategy – Submission Draft (June 2005) <http://www.viewnortheast.com>
- Northumberland National Park Authority Local Plan (1996) <http://www.northumberland-national-park.org.uk/VisitorGuide/Planning/LocalPlans.htm>
- Northumberland National Park Local Development Framework <http://www.northumberland-national-park.org.uk/NR/exeres/DD66440A-8F3F-4B34-82D7-9CCCD1D6B5DC.htm>

Sustainable Construction & Renewable Energy

- “Building-In Sustainability”, Sustaine: <http://www.buildingsustainability.co.uk/bis/usp.nsf/pws/building-in+sustainability+-+building-in+sustainability+-+home+page>
- Northumberland National Park Procurement Policy: <http://www.northumberland-national-park.org.uk/AboutUs/Policies/ProcurementPolicy.htm>
- Sustainability in the North East of England: <http://www.sustaine.com/>

Grants for the installation of renewable energy technologies are available from the following sources:

- Clear Skies – renewable energy projects for individual homes or communities: <http://www.clear-skies.org/>
- Community Energy – district energy projects using any fuel type: <http://www.est.org.uk/communityenergy/>
- Major Photovoltaic Demonstration Programme – photovoltaic projects on a variety of scales: <http://www.est.org.uk/solar/>
- Carbon Trust – grant for research and development projects: <http://www.thecarbontrust.co.uk/carbontrust/>
- Enhanced Capital Allowance – energy efficiency grants for businesses: <http://www.eca.gov.uk/>
- Energy Saving Trust – grant and information for households: <http://www.est.org.uk/>

The following information sources may be of use in planning for energy efficiency:

- Education – Energy Consumption Guide 54 “Energy Efficiency in Further and Higher Education”, BRESCU, 1997
- <http://www.thecarbontrust.co.uk/energy/pages/publicationsearch.asp>
- <http://www.constructingexcellence.org.uk/>

The Building Research Establishment’s Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM), or equivalent standard for residential (EcoHomes), can be used to quantify the environmental performance of a project, at a number of key stages in its lifespan. For further information, please go to: <http://www.breeam.org/>

Access for all:

- Disability Discrimination Act (1995) by the Disability Rights Commission www.drc-gb.org

- Building Regulations Approved Document M (2004 – see summary below) published by TSO www.tso.co.uk/bookshop Tel: 0870 600 5522
- British Standards Institution (BSI) www.bsi-global.com Tel: 020 8996 9000 BS5810: Code of Practice for Access for the Disabled to Buildings
- Centre for Accessible Environments www.cae.org.uk Tel: 020 7357 8182 Provides technical information, training and consultancy in making buildings accessible for all users.
- Royal National Institute for the Blind www.rnib.org.uk Tel: 020 7388 1266 A service provided jointly by The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association and RNIB. This is a pan-disability consultancy working to provide inclusive environments.
- Royal National Institute for Deaf People (RNID) www.rnid.org.uk Tel: 020 7296 8000 Provides consultancy on the environmental needs of people with hearing impairments
- English Heritage Publications customers@english-heritage.org.uk Tel: 0870 333 1181 (see summary below)
- Sign Design Society www.signdesignsociety.co.uk Tel: 01582 713 556