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# Development Plan Document



## The outcome of informal consultation used to inform the Issues and Options paper

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## Introduction

This document details the outcome of informal consultation used to inform the Issues and Options paper. Suggestions made by elected members, relevant stakeholders and members of the public all inform the Issues and Options document. Information was gathered from these sources during the period 18<sup>th</sup> June 2007 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008. This document is divided into six sections that reflect the six Local Area Agreement (LAA) themes. These are:

- Improving health and well being;
- Communities that are safe and feel safe;
- A better environment for today and tomorrow;
- Meeting the needs of children and young people;
- Economic success that is shared by all and;
- Stronger Communities.

Each section provides a summary of the issues gathered under the particular LAA theme and reveals the sources of these suggestions. Many of the suggestions were repeated by several sources throughout the consultation period and thus it is interesting to note how the issues of different parties overlap. The document provides officer discussion with regard to the issue raised at panel meetings and recommendation about whether or not the issue should be dealt with in the Issues and Options paper. The officer response serves to place each issue within a planning context and addresses whether the issue is a matter for the Issues and Options Document, Core Strategy or indeed whether the issue falls beyond the remit of planning. Issues that are not, or not entirely, spatial planning matters are identified for the benefit of the Corporate Management Team and/or Local Strategic Partnership.

This consultation was also carried out for the draft 'Vision and Objectives' for the Issues and Options paper. However, since this consultation, Officers have significantly re-drafted the 'Vision and Objectives' and responding to the particular and detailed comments received on the original draft 'Vision and Objectives' would not have been beneficial.

This document sits with the document entitled 'Consultation undertaken to inform the Issues and Options Paper' which details all of the Council's methods used to gather issues from relevant stakeholders. This document can be viewed ([http://redditch.whub.org.uk/home/rbcindex/rbc-planning-services/rbc-planning-services-development\\_plans\\_team/rbc-planning-services-consultationdocuments.htm](http://redditch.whub.org.uk/home/rbcindex/rbc-planning-services/rbc-planning-services-development_plans_team/rbc-planning-services-consultationdocuments.htm)).



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Redditch should aspire to be the 'safest town in England'.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07	This matter was agreed at the Visioning Conference. From a Core Strategy perspective, this aspiration can be incorporated.	No – but it is in the vision	Yes	Redditch should aspire to be the 'safest town in England'.
Government views need to be taken into consideration.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07	Agreed. The matters to be considered by the Core Strategy are derived from both Government advice (top down) as well as from issues identified at the local level (bottom up).	No	Yes	None



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

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<p>Despite the benefits which underpasses provide in keeping citizens away from traffic, they often become sites for anti-social behaviours. How to alleviate these problems and whether to continue the New Town design are issues that need to be addressed. Bridges could be adopted as safer alternatives to underpasses, and could be developed into distinctive features of the town as part of a flagship project.</p>	<p>Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07</p>	<p>The issue of whether to continue the New Town design is explored in the 'Distinctiveness' section of the Issues and Options Document.</p>	<p>No – but it is an Option</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Underpasses should be made safer by improving visibility both through external light flows provided by street lamps and internal light flows within the underpass itself. There should be no sharp corners near underpasses.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07	The 'Designing for Community Safety' SPD encourages the enhancement of existing underpasses in order to improve visibility. This could be achieved through Section 106 contributions related to relevant applications.	No	Yes	Underpasses should be made safer by improving visibility both through external light flows provided by street lamps and internal light flows within the underpass itself.
More proactive action is required from the Police, with greater communication and consultation with the Crime Risk Manager.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07	Action by the police is not a spatial planning matter. Consultation with the Crime Risk Manager takes place for the preparation of LDF and for individual applications where appropriate.	No	No	More proactive action is required from the Police, with greater communication and consultation with the Crime Risk Manager.



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Cycle-paths should run adjacent to, but separate from, main roads to ensure sufficient provision for cyclists whilst improving safety.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 17/01/08	Cycle routes should be integral to the design stage of all new developments and this is a matter for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
The possibility of using S106 monies to signpost cycle routes should be taken into consideration.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	This is not a matter for the Core Strategy. Section 106 monies could be secured to improve signage. This matter will be considered in the preparation of the Community Infrastructure Levy.	No	Yes	None
Areas should be created that enable natural surveillance. Consideration should be given to the design of the built environment, in particular designing out crime in residential areas, with the provision of crime deterrents such as lighting and greenery and the eradication of dead-end alleys.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The 'Designing for Community Safety' SPD encourages natural surveillance. In terms of the Core Strategy, the principles of community safety will be incorporated.	No	Yes	None





## Communities that are safe and feel safe

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Design, as a means of facilitating the community, is crucial to developments, with Middlesbrough offering an exemplar of good design. Care needs to be taken over the planning of buildings to ensure good links to community facilities and the transport network.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Good design will be a matter for the Core Strategy, however there are no issues presented to be incorporated in the Issues and Options Document.  The Accessibility Assessment will ensure that there are good links by all modes of transport from all proposed developments.	No	Yes	None
There are genuine concerns which need to be addressed amongst inhabitants that the Town Centre is unsafe at night for pedestrians.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	In terms of pedestrian safety at night, there is no evidence to suggest that this is a problem in the Town Centre when compared to anywhere else in Redditch Borough. Safety and design will be matters that the Core Strategy will cover but there are no issues for the Issues and Options Document.	No	Yes	There are genuine concerns which need to be addressed amongst inhabitants that the Town Centre is unsafe at night for pedestrians.



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Paths that are overgrown, neglected or enclosed make people feel unsafe. Therefore paths should be lined with slow-growing plants, or existing paths should be maintained more often with an emphasis on cutting down overgrowth.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Maintenance on paths is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Paths that are overgrown, neglected or enclosed make people feel unsafe. Therefore paths should be lined with slow-growing plants, or existing paths should be maintained more often with an emphasis on cutting down overgrowth.



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
There is a need for a more visible and larger police presence to enhance people's feelings of safety.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	There is a need for a more visible and larger police presence to enhance people's feelings of safety.
The New Town design is good and should be maintained. However, it was also pointed out that although the New Town accommodates pedestrians, an improved system may be to provide a small green separation between roads and footpaths, whilst maintaining their proximity to allow for greater surveillance.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	The issue of whether to continue the New Town design is explored in the 'Distinctiveness' section of the Issues and Options Document.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Communities should be able to police themselves, with citizens taking an active role in the control of crime, discrimination and unfair practice in their area.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not spatial planning matter.	No	No	Communities should be able to police themselves, with citizens taking an active role in the control of crime, discrimination and unfair practice in their area.



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
It should be recognised that different areas and groups within the community may have differing needs and that sharing facilities and locations may create the perception of conflict between the members of these different parties.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	It should be recognised that different areas and groups within the community may have differing needs and that sharing facilities and locations may create the perception of conflict between the members of these different parties.
There is a need for effective landscaping, including the growth and placement of plants, as a means of preventing crime through environmental design.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The 'Designing for Community Safety' SPD deals with effective landscaping matters. The growth and replacement of plants can be a condition relating to planning permission.	No	Yes	None



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
The issue of safer bus travel, particularly at night, needs to be addressed, with particular emphasis on landscaping of bus stops and CCTV surveillance.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 17/01/08	The 'Designing for Community Safety' SPD deals with effective landscaping matters. Safety at bus stops is too detailed for the Core Strategy but may be considered for a future LDD.	No	Yes	The issue of safer bus travel needs to be addressed, with particular emphasis on landscaping of bus stops and CCTV surveillance.
The re-regulation of bus services would help with the impact on the location of employment.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The re-regulation of bus services is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The re-regulation of bus services would help with the impact on the location of employment.



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
The provision of more benches at regular intervals should be implemented to provide people with mobility needs the opportunity to rest.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The provision of benches is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The provision of more benches at regular intervals should be implemented to provide people with mobility needs the opportunity to rest.
Immigration should be addressed as a cause of overpopulation in the area.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Immigration should be addressed as a cause of overpopulation in the area.



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Present housing needs to be considered with options to demolish or rebuild inadequate or unsuitable residences.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy. However, the Housing Land Availability Assessment could identify areas of housing in the urban area that could be redeveloped.	No	Yes	Present housing needs to be considered with options to demolish or rebuild inadequate or unsuitable residences.
Community involvement, including consultation on community issues such as planning and housing as well as effective communication with the community, should be sought as a means of developing community spirit and participation in the well-being of one's area.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Consultation on planning documents is carried out in accordance with the SCI.	No	No	None
There is the need for good management of open space.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	There is the need for good management of open space.





## Communities that are safe and feel safe

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
The physical design of roads and the integration of traffic calming measures should be used to slow traffic down.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	The physical design of roads and the integration of traffic calming measures should be used to slow traffic down.
The fear of crime should be combated by promoting positive messages in the media.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Combating fear of crime through positive messages in the media is not a spatial planning matter. The 'Designing for Community Safety' SPD attempts to address fear of crime issues.	No	Yes	The fear of crime should be combated by promoting positive messages in the media.
Locating children's play areas in good neighbourhoods and the wards of older people should facilitate child safety.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Children's play equipment should be provided in all wards (irrespective of the demographic profile). The provision of play areas in relation to new residential developments is managed through the 'Open Space Provision' SPD, this also includes enhancement of existing facilities.	No	Yes	None



## Communities that are safe and feel safe

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More skilled people are required to evaluate risk assessment.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	More skilled people are required to evaluate risk assessment.
The location of the fire station to at-risk areas needs to be considered.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Allocation of land for a fire station is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	No	The location of the fire station to at-risk areas needs to be considered.
A smoke-free environment should be enforced.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	A smoke-free environment should be enforced.



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Pocket or local centres within the community require improved accessibility and facilities that operate into the evening.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The opening times of shops are not a spatial planning matter. It is acknowledged that legibility in some of the districts of Redditch is poor. It would be a matter for the Core Strategy to ensure that less desirable characteristics of the New Town are not carried forward into new developments. Design matters are considered in the Distinctiveness section of the Issues and Options Document.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None



## A better environment for today and tomorrow

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
<b>Water:</b>					
The sustainability of water courses should be taken into consideration in the planning process.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment/ Water Cycle Strategy will investigate water issues for the Core Strategy. This work is not yet complete.	No	Yes	None
New developments and block paving should be reviewed in terms of contributing to surface run-off and causing flooding.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07, 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment and Water Cycle Strategy will highlight the implications of development. At application stage all relevant drainage matters will be considered. Planning has no control over block paving.	No	Yes	None
Consideration should be given to gravity for foul water, as pumping is non-sustainable.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	The Core Strategy process will consider the pumping of foul water alongside other infrastructure matters when determining strategic locations for growth.	No	Yes	None



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Consideration should be given to existing infrastructure including the issue of water management beyond the site boundary.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment will highlight the implications of development. This work is not yet complete.	No	Yes	None
<b>Climate Change:</b>					
Water harvesting should be used as a means of reducing the amount of water going into the hydrologic cycle. The deployment of open drains and water holding areas, such as holding ponds in streams and open spaces, should also be prioritised to facilitate water management and improve drainage.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07 and 15/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment will highlight the implications of development. The study will suggest mitigation measures for identified flood problems. This work is not complete yet. The principles behind the need for sustainable drainage are likely to be considered in the LDF.	No	Yes	None
An emphasis on water management is critical in the Borough given its proximity to the Rivers Avon and Severn.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Water management is likely to be a matter for the Core Strategy but the outcome of the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment and the Water Cycle Strategy is awaited.	No	Yes	None

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## A better environment for today and tomorrow

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Development in flood plains should be sensible and appropriate.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment will identify areas not suitable for development or suitable for development with mitigation measures.	No	Yes	None
Developers should be required to design in suitable drainage needs for new builds.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	National and Regional Planning Policy requires developers to design suitable drainage into new builds.	No	No	None
Gully cleaning should be enforced.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Gully cleaning should be enforced.





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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
<p>Digesters which convert waste materials into renewable energy should be implemented in order to prevent rubbish leaving site e.g. through the use of composting.</p>	<p>Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07</p>	<p>Reducing waste may be a matter for the Core Strategy but is not an issue in the Issues and Options Document. The techniques of how this will be achieved are not matters for the Core Strategy.</p> <p>The percentage of renewable energy requested from developments is a matter for the Issues and Options Document.</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>Digesters which convert waste materials into renewable energy should be implemented in order to prevent rubbish leaving site.</p>
<p>Construction materials should be energy-efficient as those used by Co-op Homes at the Sillins Avenue site in Redditch. Greywater recycling at the construction stage in industrial units needs to be looked into as a possible means of water management.</p>	<p>Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07</p>	<p>Appropriate sustainability at the construction stage will be a matter for the Core Strategy, but is too detailed for inclusion in the Issues and Options Document. However, currently there is no evidence to suggest that greywater recycling at the construction stage is achievable or sustainable.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>





## A better environment for today and tomorrow

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
New developments should be carbon neutral, seeking to responsibly offset emissions against existing properties as has been achieved in Brighton.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07, State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07 and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	It is agreed that this approach should be investigated and is considered as an option in the Issues and Options Document.	No- but it is an option	Yes	None



## A better environment for today and tomorrow

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
The possibility of green/grass or sedum roofs should be explored.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07, Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Citizens Panel Meeting 15/01/08	The principles of reducing water run-off, promoting biodiversity and improving the energy-efficiency of buildings should be considered in the preparation of the Core Strategy through the implementation of the Code for Sustainable Homes. Individual techniques i.e. sedum roofs are too detailed for inclusion in the Issues and Options Document, however the Code for Sustainable Homes is included in the Issues and Options Document. The techniques of how this could be achieved could be a matter for future LDDs.	Yes	Yes	None



## A better environment for today and tomorrow

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Use of public transport, walking, cycling and car-sharing should be encouraged.	Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 08/11/07, Housing and Climate Change Citizens Panel Meeting 15/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Public transport comments are considered under the Key theme of 'Stronger communities' – Transport in the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
The implementation of decentralised energy, combined heat and power, Geo-thermal energy, solar panels and wind power for larger developments should be considered for example at old people's homes. However, the issue of airborne diseases would also need addressing.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07, State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07, Housing and Climate Change Citizens Panel Meeting 15/01/08, and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Reducing carbon emissions is a Core Strategy matter that will be included in the Issues and Options Document. The techniques of implementing a combined heat and power supply is not a matter for the Core Strategy.	Yes	Yes	None
The Government should be canvassed in order to provide house improvement grants.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The Government should be canvassed in order to provide house improvement grants.



## A better environment for today and tomorrow

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Climate change issues should be addressed at both the macro and micro levels.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	Recent national and regional planning guidance is in place to combat climate change and will be reflected in planning decisions. The Core Strategy will deal with local level climate change issues.	Yes	Yes	None
Climate change should not be approached as an isolated issue but rather as a part of larger developmental issues. As such cross-cutting solutions to problems, for example the burning of rubbish to heat buildings, should be encouraged.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	<p>'Reducing the causes of and adapting to the impacts of climate change' is an objective of the Sustainability Appraisal. The technique of burning rubbish to heat buildings is not a matter for the Core Strategy. However, the issue of climate change and how to address it through planning is included in the Issues and Options Document.</p> <p>Cross cutting solutions to climate change problems cannot be dealt with through planning alone.</p>	Yes	Yes	Cross cutting solutions to climate change problems cannot be dealt with through planning alone.



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
All wood, cardboard, paper, metal and plastic should be recycled and sorting prioritised.	Housing and Climate Change Citizens Panel Meeting 15/01/08	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	All wood, cardboard, paper, metal and plastic should be recycled and sorting prioritised.
There is a need to reduce packaging.	Housing and Climate Change Citizens Panel Meeting 15/01/08	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	There is a need to reduce packaging.
The tree population of Redditch should be maintained and increased in order to soak up ground water.	Housing and Climate Change Citizens Panel Meeting 15/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Tree Preservation Orders currently maintain some of the tree population in Redditch. The tree population of Redditch will be covered by the 'Redditch distinctiveness' section of the Issues and Options Document.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None



## A better environment for today and tomorrow

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The potential for willow growing in other areas of Redditch should be explored.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The potential for willow growing in other areas of Redditch should be explored.
Efforts should be made to enhance biodiversity and minimise the effects on wildlife.	Housing and Climate Change Citizens Panel Meeting 15/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	This matter is covered by National planning policy and sites can be assessed against the Sustainability Appraisal.	No	No	None
Efforts to monitor carbon footprints should be made in order to reduce global warming.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Efforts to monitor carbon footprints should be made in order to reduce global warming.



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Efforts should be made to move away from a road hierarchy.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The road hierarchy is a distinctive feature of Redditch Borough and is considered in this section of the Issues and Options Document.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None
Sustainable transport should be encouraged.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Sustainable travel and increasing the use of public transport is considered under the Key theme of ‘Stronger communities’ – Transport of the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None
Development should be located so that people have to travel less.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The Development Strategy promotes development in the most sustainable locations, so, by default, this reduces the need to travel.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None
The possibility of a park and ride facility for the Town Centre should be explored.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The RSS designates strategic Park and Ride: Redditch Borough has not been designated as a location to receive a Park and Ride site. It is therefore not considered in the Issues and Options Document.	No	No	None





## A better environment for today and tomorrow

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Hydro-electric power turbines could be employed at the museum (water mill).	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Hydro-electric power turbines could be employed at the museum (water mill).
Education on climate change should be provided at an early stage through the National Curriculum in schools.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Education on climate change should be provided at an early stage through the National Curriculum in schools.
Efforts should be made to maintain the greener side of the New Town model.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The Open Space Needs Assessment refresh will identify the valuable open space that should be preserved. When this study is completed, establishing the levels of open space provision will be a matter for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None

Core Strategy Development Plan Document - The outcome of informal consultation used to inform the Issues and Options paper. (9<sup>th</sup> May – 20<sup>th</sup> June 2008)



## A better environment for today and tomorrow

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Consideration should be given to more mixed use.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	National planning policy advocates mixed uses where appropriate. Therefore there is no need for a local level policy and the matter will not be considered in the Issues and Options Document.	No	Yes	None
There is a need for a renewable energy strategy which would incorporate local products or product waste, biomass, energy from waste and a consideration of a solar 'Brockhill bowl'.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	A renewable energy strategy would form part of the Core Strategy. Individual techniques or sites are too detailed for the Core Strategy.	Yes	Yes	None
Passive shading should be explored as an option for reducing the heating and cooling costs of a building, and lowering greenhouse gas emissions.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	National Planning policy encourages good design and passive solar design. Individual techniques are too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None



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There is a need to counteract the effects of the urban heat island.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	It is considered that the urban heat island effect is not an issue for Redditch due to low densities, large amounts of open space and the size of the town.	No	No	None
All climate change measures are sensible but consideration must be given to how these measures can be translated into enforceable land use planning policies and conditions.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	This is not presenting an issue for the Core Strategy.	No	No	None



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<p><b>Cultural Heritage and Historic Assets:</b> Consideration should be given to the use of renewable energy, including insulation, rainwater harvesting, green roofs and energy-saving techniques, as the historic environment requires sensitive use of technology sources on historic buildings, however each case must be considered on its own merits for renewable energy may not be appropriate in all situations.</p>	<p>Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07</p>	<p>This is too detailed for the Core Strategy. The use of renewable energy in historic buildings may be a matter for a future LDD.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Some buildings on the local list may be improved through the introduction of renewable energy sources.</p>	<p>Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07</p>	<p>This is too detailed for the Core Strategy. The use of renewable energy in locally listed buildings may be a matter for a future LDD.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>



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The current local list should be continued and maintained.	Planning Advisory Panel 8/11/07	The intention is to maintain the Local List. There is an opportunity during the Issues and Options Consultation to suggest additions to the Local List.	Yes	Yes	None
As a key gateway into Redditch town, the buildings situated around the train station, in particular those occupying the Edward Street SPD area, require investment and regeneration to improve the visual landscape of the area.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07 and Citizens and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	The Edward Street Site is considered to be a key strategic site in the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None
Developer contributions could be sought to enhance locally listed buildings.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is not a matter for the Core Strategy.	No	No	None



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There are relatively few old or historic buildings in Redditch, thus there should be a concerted effort to preserve those sites that are culturally and historically significant.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Statutory listed buildings are protected by National legislation.	No	Yes	None
Opportunities should be offered to engage in the local arts, cultural and natural heritage.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter	No	Yes	Opportunities should be offered to engage in the local arts, cultural and natural heritage.
The Town Centre memorial is in need of regeneration.	Local Democracy Week 15/10/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The Town Centre memorial is in need of regeneration.



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
<b>Rural Area:</b> The town needs to be expanded in the most sustainable location.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is a matter for the Core Strategy.	Yes	Yes	None
ADRs should be considered in preference to Green Belt land when planning to meet development targets.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07 and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The strategic target can be met using urban area sites and ADRs.	No	Yes	None
ADRs should not be used in preference to Green Belt land, as the ADRs may offer more valuable areas of open space than the Green Belt.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	The strategic target can be met using urban area sites and ADRs.	No	Yes	None



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The preference between Green Belt, ADRs and brownfield sites as areas for development should be investigated in terms of the values of the different open spaces.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	The strategic target can be met using urban area sites and ADRs.	No	Yes	None
If development occurs outside the urban area in neighbouring Bromsgrove or Stratford, then some parts of the ADRs may be needed for necessary infrastructure, for example the Bordesley and Studley bypasses.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	It is considered that some parts of the ADRs may be needed for infrastructure purposes. It is unlikely however that the loss of some ADR land for infrastructure purposes would result in the inability of the Council to meet its proportion of the RSS strategic development target.	No	Yes	None





## A better environment for today and tomorrow

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
The Green Belt boundary should be amended. Consideration should be given to the area between Redditch and Astwood Bank, land to the north of the Brockhill ADR and land to the north of Foxlydiate Wood.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The strategic target can be met using urban area sites and ADRs.	No	Yes	None
Significant development of Redditch's Green Belt would only take place in association with significant development in Bromsgrove district which lies adjacent to Redditch.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The strategic target can be met using urban area sites and ADRs. Bromsgrove and/or Stratford Upon Avon Green Belt may be needed to meet Redditch related growth.	No	Yes	None
ADR's have several healthy ponds.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	PPS 9 requires developments to conserve and enhance biodiversity. At the planning application stage, appropriate mitigation measures will be considered.	No	No	None



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Brockhill Wood needs to be reviewed in terms of flooding.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Brockhill Wood is not located within the administrative boundaries of Redditch Borough.	No	No	None
Consideration should be given to the A435 corridor, which is less sustainable for housing and difficult to build a community. It should be granted a green corridor role.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07 and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The ADR land is likely to be required for development. However it will include areas of open space that can be linked together through green corridors. Site specific features are too detailed for the Core Strategy.	Yes	Yes	



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There may be areas of Green Belt land that are appropriate for development.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	The strategic target can be met using urban area sites and ADRs.	No	Yes	None
It would be acceptable to use 'poor quality' Green Belt land for development; however issues of what constitutes poor quality land and who decides would need to be addressed.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	In terms of PPG 2, quality is not an issue that influences Green Belt designation. Also with regard to PPG 2, poor quality of Green Belt would not constitute an exceptional circumstance that would warrant altering the Green Belt boundary.	No	No	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
There is a need to address the rights of way in rural areas. The Green Belt in Redditch is an asset but is wasted because access is not promoted. Therefore, rural areas must be promoted for walking and cycling and public transport should be improved.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07 and Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is not a matter for the Core Strategy.	No	No	There is a need to address the rights of way in rural areas. The Green Belt in Redditch is an asset but is wasted because access is not promoted. Therefore, rural areas must be promoted for walking and cycling and public transport should be improved.
The interests of Webheath residents, who want open space, should be met.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The interests of all residents regarding open space will be considered through the Core Strategy process.	No	Yes	None

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Urban extension provides a better option than free standing settlements located in the countryside.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is not a matter for the Core Strategy because a freestanding settlement located in the Countryside is contrary to the RSS.	No	No	None
The possibility of rural diversification should be considered providing that it does not adversely affect the countryside.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	Rural diversification is an option for promoting rural renaissance.	No – but this is an option.	Yes	None
Encouragement should be given to local farmers.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Rural diversification is an option for promoting rural renaissance.	No – but this is an option.	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Certain uses should be encouraged in the countryside including craft centres, horse riding and golf. Furthermore, existing buildings should be re-used as training facilities, hotels or management centres.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	Equestrian related development is an option for rural renaissance. There is also an option for encouraging employment, in preference to other uses, for conversions of rural buildings.	No – but these are options	Yes	None
Any uses that are developed in the countryside should minimise visual impact and lorry traffic.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy. However it may be considered for a future LDD.	No	Yes	None
There is a need to review the value of the Green Belt land that lies to the east of Astwood Bank.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	Green Belt to the east of Astwood Bank within the administrative area of Redditch Borough adjoins the Green Belt of the district of Stratford-on-Avon.	No	No	None



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If Astwood Bank were to expand, there would be notable infrastructure implications that would need addressing e.g. road network.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07 and Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	Infrastructure requirements for the strategic sites are considered as part of the Core Strategy preparation.	No	Yes	None



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The development of Astwood Bank needs to be considered in line with other south-west expansion options.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	It is for the Core Strategy to determine the future role of Astwood Bank. It is not appropriate as an issue for the core strategy because of the RSS objective (3.9(d)) to retain the Green Belt but to allow an adjustment of boundaries where exceptional circumstances can be demonstrated. It is considered inappropriate to alter the Green Belt boundary in sensitive locations as exceptional circumstances have not been identified.	No	Yes	None
The residents of Astwood Bank and Feckenham must be consulted with regard to the future of the area.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	Consultation will be carried out in conformity with the SCI.	No	No	None





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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Limited development to the north of Astwood Bank should be permitted, however traffic considerations must be addressed.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	It is for the Core Strategy to determine the future role of Astwood Bank. It is not appropriate as an issue for the core strategy because of the RSS objective (3.9(d)) to retain the Green Belt but to allow an adjustment of boundaries where exceptional circumstances can be demonstrated. It is considered inappropriate to alter the Green Belt boundary in sensitive locations as exceptional circumstances have not been identified.	No	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Opinions differed about allowing the expansion of Astwood Bank/Feckenham. Some hold that Astwood Bank/Feckenham should not be allowed to expand for development whilst others permit minor amendments.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08 and Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	It is for the Core Strategy to determine the future role of Astwood Bank/Feckenham. It is not appropriate as an issue for the core strategy because of the RSS objective (3.9(d)) to retain the Green Belt but to allow an adjustment of boundaries where exceptional circumstances can be demonstrated. It is considered inappropriate to alter the Green Belt boundary in sensitive locations as exceptional circumstances have not been identified.	No	Yes	None



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The possibility of more housing in Astwood Bank should only be considered in terms of meeting local needs.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	It is an option in the Issues and Options Document to expand Astwood Bank to meet local needs only.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None
There is no such thing as a local housing need specifically for Astwood Bank.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The Housing Needs Assessment (2006) identifies local housing need in Astwood Bank.  The issue suggested does not present any issues for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
The village identity of Astwood Bank/Feckenham should be protected.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	It is for the Core Strategy to determine the future role of Astwood Bank/Feckenham.	Yes	Yes	None
The Old Mill in Astwood Bank needs to be reviewed in terms of its suitability for the local list.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	This is not a matter for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Evidence of affordable housing need in Feckenham should be sought.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The Housing Needs Survey carried out in 2006 looked at the affordable housing need in the rural area of Redditch (Astwood Bank and Feckenham) as a separate sub-area. A Housing Needs Survey of Feckenham was also undertaken in 2003, which supports the provision of affordable housing that is currently under construction. This scheme currently meets the need outlined in the Feckenham Housing Needs Assessment (2003).	No	Yes	



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All housing in Feckenham should be for affordable local needs and rural exceptions.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08 and Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	The need for affordable housing in Feckenham is identified in the Housing Needs Survey carried out in 2006 and more specifically A Housing Needs Survey of Feckenham undertaken in 2003. The need identified in these studies has now been met. However, if further affordable housing need is identified this could be accommodated in a rural exceptions policy. It is not appropriate for any infill opportunity within the settlement boundary to be necessarily affordable housing.	No	Yes	None
More homes may help to support more local facilities in Feckenham such as shops or a doctor's clinic.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is an option in the Issues and Option document to support the issue of rural renaissance.	No – but this is an option	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Feckenham Conservation Area needs preserving and enhancing.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	There is a statutory requirement to preserve and enhance Conservation areas. This could be a matter for future LDD's	No	Yes	None
Land should be allocated in both Astwood Bank and Feckenham for employment uses, excluding B8 uses.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	The Core Strategy does not allocate specific sites.	No	Yes	None
Buildings in rural areas should promote local distinctiveness with standardised or generic builds being discouraged.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy. This could be considered for a future LDD.	No	Yes	None
Mobile retail should be encouraged in rural areas.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Mobile retail should be encouraged in rural areas.
Small scale retail ventures run from homes in rural areas should be supported, with the promotion of farm shops and cottage industries.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	An option in the Issues and Options is to encourage economic development in preference to residential conversions to buildings.	No – but this is an option	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
Consideration needs to be given to internet and broadband connectivity in rural areas.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Consideration needs to be given to internet and broadband connectivity in rural areas.
Additional community facilities, including shops, should be introduced.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	It is for the Core Strategy to determine the future role of Feckenham/Astwood Bank.	No-but it is an option	Yes	None
Issues of congestion, road usage and transport in general need addressing.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	Transport matters will be dealt with in the Stronger Communities section of the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None
There is a need to improve the roads in rural areas. The possibility of seeking and spending S106 money for this purpose should be considered.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	If a development will require improvements to rural roads then section 106 monies could be secured. However, it is not envisaged that there will be significant developments in the rural area that would actually trigger the receipt of 106 monies.	No	No	None



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Open Countryside policy needs to be clear and comprehensible.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	This is a matter for the Core Strategy but there are no issues to present.	No	Yes	None
Rural villages should not become dormant rather they should be allowed to grow organically.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	Development is acceptable within the boundaries of Astwood Bank and Feckenham subject to normal Development Control Criteria. Expansion of Astwood Bank is inappropriate because of Green Belt sensitivities. Expansion of Feckenham is likely to be inappropriate because its current role is that of an unsustainable rural settlement and this role is unlikely to alter throughout the period of the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
Emphasis needs to be placed on the sustainability of rural developments.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	Sustainability is a matter for all development and is therefore not an issue for the Issues and Options document.	No	Yes	None





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Policy requirements regarding the housing mix in rural areas should be refined.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	The mix of housing required in rural areas is stipulated by the Housing Needs Assessment (2006). This study noted that in the rural area 3 bedroom properties were needed in the open market sector and 1 and 2 bedroom flats are needed in the affordable housing sector. However, advice is sought from housing officers on an appropriate mix of housing on a site- by- site basis.	No	Yes	None
Consideration should be given to social housing provision and long term protection.	Planning Advisory Panel 19/11/07 and 13/12/07	Social rented housing provision forms part of the definition of affordable housing (alongside intermediate provision). Social rented housing is defined by PSS 3 'Housing' as, ' <i>Rented housing owned and managed by Local authorities and Registered Social Landlords, for which guideline target rents are determined through the national rent regime.</i> '	No	Yes	None



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		<p>It is considered that an affordable housing policy will be included in the Core Strategy which builds upon the current recommendations set out by the Borough's Housing Needs Assessment (2006) and Strategic Housing Market Assessment (2007).</p> <p>Where affordable housing is developed in rural areas, then it will be ensured that this property remains affordable in perpetuity.</p>			



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A balance needs to be met between urban greenery and the Green Belt.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	It is agreed that a balance needs to be struck between maintaining the characteristics of Redditch in terms of its open space provision and also minimising the use of Green Belt land for new development. The issue about the maintenance of Redditch's higher than average open space standards is a matter for the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None
<b>Location of Housing:</b>					
Certain sites should be reviewed e.g. the plant nursery at Mappleborough Green, Prospect Row, Heathfield House, the Town Centre Hospital and car park 7.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	A Housing Land Availability Assessment is currently being undertaken. This will identify potential housing sites across the Borough. Public and stakeholder consultation is used to identify sites and to categorise them in to sites that are suitable for development or not.	No	Yes	None



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60% (approx 2000 dwellings) of housing development on brownfield land is unrealistic in Redditch.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	It is agreed that 60% of the RSS target will not be achieved on brownfield land in Redditch. This point could be raised in the Borough Council's response to the submission version of the RSS Phase II review consultation period.	Yes	Yes	None
Density of housing should be maximised appropriately e.g. 30 dph minimum.	House and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The Issues and Options Document will set out different density options for different parts of the town.	Yes	Yes	None



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Densities should be kept as low as possible.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	The Issues and Options Document will set out different density options for different parts of the town. It is recognised that there will be a need to balance the issue of maximising density to make best use of land and also having regard to the character of particular areas which may be a predominantly lower density.	Yes	Yes	None
There should be no large areas of high density dwellings.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	The Issues and Options Document will set out different density options for different parts of the town. The Town Centre, for instance, would probably be an area where all new dwellings would be high density and this could be appropriate. However, when creating new housing areas, e.g. on ADR land, it would be important to have a range of densities across the site for a number of reasons.	Yes	Yes	None



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More roof space should be used for housing, in the development of penthouse style accommodation.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	In relation to the types of dwellings needed within the Borough, this is identified through the Redditch Borough Council Housing Needs Survey. The Core Strategy will refer to the Housing Needs Survey requirements but will need to be flexible as types of dwellings needed across the Borough are likely to change over the plan period.	No	Yes	None
Development briefs should be used to set density limits for specific sites and parts of larger sites.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Development briefs could be used for setting density standards and also to deal with other more detailed matters related to bringing forward a larger site.	No	Yes	None
The issue needs to be addressed of how best to deal with phasing over the period of the Core Strategy in the absence of any site specific housing allocations.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Phasing new development is an appropriate issue for the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None



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There is a need to protect existing employment areas from housing development.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	It is agreed that there is a need to protect existing employment areas that have a reasonable likelihood of coming forward for employment use. However, Draft PPS 4 instructs local authorities to assess existing employment land. If it is identified through this assessment (Employment Land Review) that the employment land has been exposed to the market for an extended period and there are not justifiable reasons for protecting it, then other uses should be considered including housing. Existing employment sites are considered in the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None



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Potential redevelopment of the Church Hill industrial area should be explored for mixed uses.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Church Hill industrial area is assumed to be North Moons Moat industrial area. The Employment Land Review will identify any underused land in existing employment areas. Such identified parcels of land will then be considered for future appropriate uses which could include employment or other uses.	Yes	Yes	None
The value of the location should be recognised before delivering housing, which should be prioritised accordingly.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	Broad locations for development are included in the Core Strategy. The value of sites will be assessed though both the Core Strategy process and the Housing Land Availability Assessment. Furthermore, there will be an additional assessment at the planning application stage.	Yes	Yes	None







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Webheath is deemed suitable for residential development, although its roads limit capacity. Fine grain employment and facilities should also be considered for the area.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Webheath ADR is essentially only suitable for housing because of access issues. It may be possible to incorporate some very minor employment use into an essentially residential area but this would need to be considered at a more detailed planning stage.	No	Yes	None
All green areas in Local Plan No.3 must be maintained for ecological reasons.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	The Open Space Needs Assessment needs to be reviewed. It may not be necessary to maintain all areas identified as primarily open space in Local Plan No.3. Open space is an issue in the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None
Wildlife needs to be considered on greenfield sites that get developed.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	Wildlife is protected through National and Regional planning policy. There are designated SSSIs, SWs and LNRs within the Borough. At the planning application stage, appropriate mitigation measures will be considered.	No	Yes	None



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Winyates Green Triangle should be considered as a Greenfield Urban Area.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	Winyates Green Triangle is in the District of Stratford-on-Avon. The land use designation of the Winyates Green Triangle will be an issue for the Stratford-on-Avon LDF.	No	No	None
Developments should be limited to locations close to the Town Centre.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	It is agreed that locations in or close to the Town Centre should be the predominant location for development. However the RSS target for development is too great to be satisfied at this general location.	No – but this is an option.	Yes	None



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<p>Consideration should be given to development between Redditch and Studley. The administrative boundary should be extended to incorporate Studley into Redditch's administrative area in order that residents may use the facilities on offer in Redditch such as the tip. It should follow that income from properties in Studley should come to Redditch Borough Council rather than Stratford-on-Avon District Council, whilst Stratford DC will get income from the 6600 dwellings at Long Marston.</p>	<p>Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08</p>	<p>The land between Redditch and Studley is in the District of Stratford-on-Avon. The issue of meeting Redditch related growth cross boundary is not an issue to be dealt with in the Redditch Core Strategy. The land use designation of the land between Redditch and Studley will be an issue for the Stratford-on-Avon LDF.</p> <p>Administrative boundary changes are not an issue for the Core Strategy.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>None</p>
<p><b>Affordable Housing:</b> Housing should be provided that is purpose built and affordable for families, single people and the elderly.</p>	<p>State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07</p>	<p>The South Housing Market Assessment and Strategic Housing Needs Assessment determine the appropriate type of affordable housing.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>None</p>

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Affordable housing in Redditch should be available to both buy and rent.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The South Housing Market Assessment and Strategic Housing Needs Assessment determine the appropriate type of affordable housing.	No	No	None
<b>Type and Size of Housing:</b>					
There is a desire for more character in residential estates in Redditch.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy. However it could be a future matter for an LDD.	No	Yes	None
It should be ensured that new developments are built above building regulations, ideally level 6 of the Code for Sustainable Homes.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The Issues and Options document will explore various options regarding the Code for Sustainable Homes.	Yes	Yes	None
Social and private housing should be integrated.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	National Planning policy states that social and private housing should be integrated.	No	No	None



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Use should be made of the SHA Housing Market Assessment in order to gauge the housing market in Redditch.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The South Housing Market Assessment is a background document to the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
Houses should fit in with their local environment.	Local Democracy Week 15/10/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy. However this may be explored in a future LDD.	No	Yes	None
<b>Location of Growth:</b>					
There is an issue with how much brownfield land is required for employment. Allocation must be realistic if overall development is to be sustainable.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Although the RSS states that it is important to make best use of brownfield land, there is no specific target for employment development on brownfield land, whereas there is a specific target for housing development. There is limited scope for employment development within the Borough; it is anticipated that brownfield opportunities will be limited. The location of employment growth is presented as an issue in the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None



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<p>Given the differential in land values between employment and residential uses, existing businesses occupying employment sites may want to cash in by converting to residential uses. Such practices must be monitored as they would prove detrimental to the local economy.</p>	<p>Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08</p>	<p>Draft PPS 4 instructs local authorities to assess existing employment land. If it is identified through this assessment (Employment Land Review) that the employment land has been exposed to the market for an extended period and there are not justifiable reasons for protecting it, then other uses should be considered including housing. On the other hand, land that has a prospect of coming forward for employment uses will be protected for employment purposes. The protection of employment land is explored in the Issues and Options Document.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Redditch related growth in neighbouring districts is not sustainable.</p>	<p>Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08</p>	<p>This is a requirement of the RSS Phase Two Revision; this document has been subject to a Sustainability Appraisal.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>

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Infrastructure depends on forward funding and building.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The Core Strategy delivery framework will set out all infrastructure issues. It is anticipated that some infrastructure will need to be provided upfront, but other infrastructure will be provided in tandem with new development.	No	Yes	None
A joint working DPD is needed between Worcestershire, Warwickshire, Bromsgrove, Stratford on Avon and Redditch which is committed to providing necessary infrastructure.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	A joint officer group exists between Bromsgrove, Stratford-on-Avon and Redditch districts. Officers from Worcestershire County Council and Warwickshire County Council attend the group when required. Currently the group is considering infrastructure matters. A joint DPD may be considered in the future, however a decision has not yet been made.	No	Yes	None





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<p><b>Nature Conservation:</b> There needs to be a wider focus on nature conservation rather than being site-specific. Wildlife corridors should be connected in order to help economic development.</p>	<p>Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07</p>	<p>The approach of a wider focus on nature conservation is advocated in national planning policy (PPS 9). In relation to economic development, tourism and leisure could be potentially linked to wildlife corridors; however this is not an issue for the Core Strategy.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>With the exception of Arrow Valley, most nature conserves in the area are under-used. Such sites should therefore be promoted, however it should be ensured that they are used sensitively.</p>	<p>Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07</p>	<p>Promotion of nature conserves is not a spatial planning matter.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>With the exception of Arrow Valley, most nature conserves in the area are under-used. Such sites should therefore be promoted, however it should be ensured that they are used sensitively.</p>



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More trees should be planted in order to improve air quality including in new developments.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	Trees are a matter in the Distinctiveness section of the Issues and Options Document.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None
Existing trees and wooded areas in the Borough need to be protected, with an emphasis on addressing the impact on woodlands of climate change and associated changes to the water table.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	<p>Trees are a matter in the Distinctiveness section of the Issues and Options Document.</p> <p>The mitigation of the effects of climate change on the whole Borough is considered in the Better Environment section of the Issues and Options Document.</p>	<p>No – but it is an option</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p>	None
Planning should be sensitive and respectful of the natural environment.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	This is a requirement of national planning policy.	No	Yes	None



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New developments should not adversely affect trees or soil because of changes to water flow.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	The Water Cycle Strategy will identify any major constraints relating to water flow and location of development. When this information is available, this could be a future matter for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
Consideration should be given to subsidence when planting new trees.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
There should be a policy to ensure that bird-boxes and wildlife corridors are provided within developments, as such conservational tools may be lost during development.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	Increasing biodiversity is a statutory national requirement. The techniques (e.g. bird-boxes) for increasing biodiversity are too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None



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Driveways and block paving remove front gardens and reduce green areas. Permeable car-parking should be considered. The preservation of green land or the provision of other soft surfaces needs to be addressed.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
It should be a priority to retain soft landscaped areas and hedgerows.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	Increasing biodiversity is a statutory national requirement. This does not present any issues for the Issues and Options Document.	No	Yes	None
Large trees need to be reviewed in terms of their potentially negative impacts on new developments as a result of far-reaching and mature roots.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	This does not present any issues for the Issues and Options Document. This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None



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The planting of trees with shallow roots could be considered as a means of reducing any negative impacts on neighbouring buildings.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	This does not present any issues for the Issues and Options Document. This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
The location of wildlife corridors needs to be considered in relation to attracting unwelcome wildlife to a given area.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	This does not present any issues for the Issues and Options Document. This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
Developers should pay towards the on-going maintenance of soft landscaping in order to achieve wider sustainability.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	This is covered by Planning Obligations where appropriate. This does not present any issues for the Issues and Options Document.	No	Yes	None
Consideration should be given to the benefits offered by the Green Belt.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	The benefits of the Green Belt are outlined in PPG 2. The contents of PPG 2 have been considered as part of the preparation of the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None



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The use of open spaces in urban areas needs to be addressed.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	How open spaces are actually used is a matter for Leisure Services. However, in relation to the amount and location of open space, this will be dealt with as part of The Open Space Needs Assessment Refresh.	No	Yes	How open spaces are actually used is a matter for Leisure Services.
Private garden space (amenity space) should be reviewed in terms of the proximity of different amenity spaces.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	The size of private garden space is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
There is a need to reduce the air pollution of developments, with a particular emphasis on addressing the negative impacts of shopping and employment areas.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	Herefordshire and Worcestershire are producing an Air Quality Strategy. Any recommendations from this study that are relevant to spatial planning will be addressed through the LDF process.	No	Yes	None
The economic repercussions of the requirements placed on businesses need to be addressed.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	Any requirements are likely to be reasonable and flexible. This is a matter for the Core Strategy to deal with in due course.	No	Yes	None



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Measurable targets for assessing the environment are required, including measures for air quality and carbon footprints.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	This is taken to mean a target similar to the Merton rule applied on all new developments. Options relating to this are presented as part of the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None
The contribution of planning to the Cleaner, Greener, Safer agenda needs to be addressed.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	The Scoping Report for the LDF has regard for the Cleaner, Greener, Safer agenda.	No	Yes	None



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There is the possibility for additions to be made to the Borough's list of natural areas and assets to supplement the LNRs and SWS.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	The possibility for additional LNRs to be designated is dealt with under the relevant act by local authorities. With regard to additional SWSs, if applicable, these can be designated by the Worcestershire Special Wildlife Site Partnership. As there is the possibility for additions to the Borough's list of LNRs and SWS outside of the planning system, this is not a matter for the Core Strategy. However, all such designations will be shown on the Proposals Map DPD.	No	Yes	None
Revisions of the SWS should be considered.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	It is anticipated that a review of the Special Wildlife Sites will be undertaken as part of the Core Strategy process. However, this does not present any issues for the Issues and Options Document.	No	Yes	None





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Green spaces are needed for children to play and explore, as exemplified by the Forest Schools project which offers an educational approach to outdoor play and learning.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The Open Space Provision SPD provides formula for calculating appropriate open space provision from new developments, this includes informal open space, play areas and play pitches. It is possible for educational facilities to be incorporated within the provision. However this is not an issue for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	Green spaces are needed for children to play and explore, as exemplified by the Forest Schools project which offers an educational approach to outdoor play and learning.



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All waste spaces in the Borough should be developed into nature reserves or equivalent.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	It is an objective of the Core Strategy to ensure efficient use and re-use of land. 'Waste space' is taken to mean undeveloped land. It is anticipated that any greenfield waste spaces would be small. If 'waste spaces' are small in size then whether they should be used for development or preserved will not be a matter for the Core Strategy because the Core Strategy is concerned with strategic areas for development and strategic areas of open space.	No	Yes	None
There is a need for more trees, shrubs and flowers throughout the Borough.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Trees are a matter in the Distinctiveness section of the Issues and Options Document. Appropriate landscaping is required at the planning application stage.	No - but it is an option	Yes	None



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Existing local natural resources must be protected.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is covered by national legislation.	No	No	None
Winyates Green Triangle is a very good wildlife park.	Housing and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Winyates Green Triangle is not within the administrative boundaries of Redditch.	No	No	None
Some brownfield sites may be more important than the Green Belt as wildlife areas and sources of open space.	Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	Biodiversity issues on Brownfield sites are taken into account for any application. However, National and Regional planning policy encourages the reuse of Brownfield sites in preference to other sites.	No	Yes	None
<b>Waste and Recycling:</b> Separate waste and recycling containers are needed with clearer guidelines for use.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Separate waste and recycling containers are needed with clearer guidelines for use.

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New developments should provide space for the green and grey recycling bins.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes.	None
Different sized bins should be provided depending on a home's occupancy rate.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Different sized bins should be provided depending on a home's occupancy rate.
Education on recycling and composting is needed for older people as well as for children.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Education on recycling and composting is needed for older people as well as for children.



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The use of waste compactors to compress waste and make it more manageable should be considered.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
It should be made a planning requirement that a compost facility be provided with new developments.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
Provision needs to be in line with waste collection services.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None



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There is the possibility for waste disposal units to be provided in new homes, but concerns over safety, maintenance, energy consumption and food wastage must first be addressed.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
Wormeries and composting may offer a better alternative to waste disposal units.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
The Core Strategy for Redditch Borough should expect changes in waste collection and recycling trends as a result of changes in technology.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None



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Easily accessible recycling centres should be located in new developments and district centres. There is a need for more recycling sites in the Borough.	Better Environment Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 11/12/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	There are no reasons why recycling centres can not be located appropriately within the Borough.  With regard to new developments, waste management and recycling matters will be considered as part of the Core Strategy process.	No  No	No  Yes	There is a need for more recycling sites in the borough
There is a need for the general expansion of the recycling industry.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	There is a need for the general expansion of the recycling industry.
More bins are required, particularly in the Town Centre and the Borough's parks.	Local Democracy Week 15/10/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	More bins are required, particularly in the Town Centre and the borough's parks.



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<b>Built Environment:</b> A full review of all B class use land is required to determine usage and viability.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	The Employment Land Review will determine this.	No	No	None
The separation of roads and footpaths is considered to be beneficial. Alternatively, it has been stated that there should be a concerted effort to ensure that pavements or footpaths run alongside roads to facilitate pedestrian safety.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07	Distinctive features of Redditch Borough are considered in the Distinctiveness section of the Issues and Options.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None





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There is a desire to keep the infrastructure that provides for children i.e. parks.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	Provision of play areas and leisure equipment is already achieved through the adopted Open Space Provision SPD for new residential developments. Provision of leisure equipment in existing areas could be achieved through either the SPD or as a park management issue.	No	Yes	Provision of leisure equipment in existing areas could be achieved through either the SPD or as a park management issue.
The issue of connecting Redditch with its cultural heritage needs to be addressed, through such means as promoting the use of the River Arrow.	Planning Advisory Panel 08/11/07	Some new development may be able to contribute towards promotion of Redditch's cultural heritage (via Section 106 Contributions). However, a Cultural Strategy should identify aspects of cultural heritage that needs to be addressed through Planning Services and other services.	No	Yes	However a Cultural Strategy should identify aspects of cultural heritage that needs to be addressed through Planning Services and other services.



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Recreational uses of the former rail track should be promoted.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The former rail track is now largely developed, with the exception of the former tunnel and some small pockets of land. It does not seem realistic to promote recreational uses on the former rail track.	No	No	None
<b>Other:</b>					
Green land needs to be reviewed, and the potential for a small build.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	An Open Space Needs Assessment refresh will determine different designations of open space, some of which could be considered for development through the Core Strategy process. A Housing Land Availability Assessment is currently being undertaken. This will identify potential housing sites across the Borough. Public and stakeholder consultation is used to identify sites and to categorise them in to sites that are suitable for development or not.	No – but this is an option	Yes	None



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Footpaths and safety need to be prioritised in greenfield urban areas.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	Accessibility is a matter for the Core Strategy but this is not an issue for the Issues and Options Document	No	Yes	None
Certain sites need to be reviewed including land on Hewell Road, south of the Oaklands and the remainder of the Sillins Avenue allotments.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08	An Open Space Needs Assessment refresh will determine different designations of open space, some of which could be considered for development through the Core Strategy process. A Housing Land Availability Assessment is currently being undertaken. This will identify potential housing sites across the Borough. Public and stakeholder consultation is used to identify sites and to categorise them in to sites that are suitable for development or not.	No – but this is an option	Yes	None



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The greenfield urban area is often a community facility, therefore existing urban space standards and provision should be maintained. Developable greenfield sites in the urban area must be a rarity.	House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08 and Housing and Climate Change Citizen Panel Meeting 15/01/08	An Open Space Needs Assessment refresh will determine different designations of open space, some of which could be considered for development through the Core Strategy process. The issue of maintaining the higher levels of open space standards currently available in the Borough is included in the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None



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<p>A large proportion of previous residential development has occurred in gardens, which are classified neither as brownfield or greenfield sites. A strategy for these sites must be created as there is a lot of potential for development although amenity and biodiversity issues would need addressing. Furthermore, it would be difficult to provide genuinely sustainable developments or affordable housing on these kinds of numerous small sites.</p>	<p>House and Climate Change Stakeholder Panel Meeting 17/01/08</p>	<p>PPS3 defines land within the curtilage of a dwelling as 'brownfield'. A Distinctive feature of Redditch Borough as a former new town is the existence of older, well-established residential areas. Protecting the character of these areas is included in the Distinctiveness section in the Issues and Options Document.</p> <p>The development of such sites can be sustainable. It is recognised that small developments are unlikely to meet the threshold for affordable housing provision.</p>	<p>No – but it is an option</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>No</p>	<p>None</p> <p>None</p>



## Economic success that is shared by all

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The redevelopment of Brownfield Land should be the first location for allocating and/or developing employment land. Therefore a sequential approach to the location of future employment land should be applied.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	It is appropriate for the Core Strategy DPD to address the issue because there is a need on the one hand to bring forward Brownfield sites for employment development, and at the same time to ensure the steady release of land for employment purposes. Applying a sequential approach would be a tool for managing these issues.	Yes	Yes	None
Areas 6 and 18 (of WYG map) are ideal for Employment Land, as well as further mixed use development (including housing); (specific comment from Planning consultant acting for the landowner);	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07 (specific comment from Planning consultant acting for the landowner).	The issue for the DPD is to be able to indicate strategic locations for growth and identify areas of constraint.	Yes	Yes	None



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What is the right site for the location of future employment development? When considering future employment locations the most appropriate site should be chosen, and if this includes allocating sites which cross administrative boundaries this should not be a constraint.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	The issue for the DPD is to be able to indicate strategic locations for growth and identify areas of constraint.	Yes	Yes	None
Consideration should also be given to the type of industries to be located on employment land and, as a result, due regard should be given to the geographical context of the site and its surrounding area in terms of the wider implications of locating employment uses on a given site.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	Suitable employment land uses are B1, B2 and B8 uses and in some cases sui generis can be considered (RSS policy PA6, PA6A, PA6B). When considering planning applications for employment uses, all material considerations are taken into account.	No	No	None



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When allocating employment land there are infrastructure and environmental impacts – for example where will the employees be travelling from to access employment land?	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	<p><u>Infrastructure Issue</u> National Planning policy states that there is a requirement to ensure that infrastructure is provided to support development. As part of the preparation of the Core Strategy, infrastructure requirements will have to be determined. When this information is obtained a decision will be made about whether or not infrastructure provision is a Core Strategy issue.</p>	No	Yes	None
		<p><u>Environmental Issue</u> The environmental impact of any development is considered under the theme Better Environment for Today and Tomorrow.</p>	Yes	Yes	None





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<p>The location of Employment Land should be considered in relation to the motorway and existing road network to enable good commuting links access.</p> <p>Signage is not maintained and as a consequence drivers often get lost, therefore this may result in a lack of desire to be based in the Borough; Forge Mill needs to be better signposted and more easily accessible.</p>	<p>Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08</p>	<p>The location of employment land is considered in the issues and options document, locating employment in close proximity to motorway links is developed as an option.</p> <p>In relation to the maintenance of signage this is not a planning issue. However, if legibility is a problem in the town then Section 106 monies could be secured to improve signage. This matter will be considered in the preparation of the Community Infrastructure Levy.</p>	<p>No – but this is an option.</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>Signage on the highways is not maintained and as a consequence drivers often get lost, therefore this may result in a lack of desire to be based in the Borough. Planning will aim to negotiate in relation to the maintenance of signage but is restricted in what it can achieve.</p>



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
Consideration should be given to promoting mixed uses adjacent/within Employment Land.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	National Planning policy states that there is a requirement to promote mixed uses.	No	No	None
Consideration should be given to the design of units to encourage industries to develop in the Borough.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	This issue is too detailed for the Core Strategy and may be dealt with through a future DPD or SPD.	No	Yes	None
The most appropriate approach to meeting the employment target could be to create a Major Employment site, or to allocate land adjacent to other employment growth in small areas around the Borough, including possible cross – boundary growth.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07 Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07	There is insufficient land within the administrative area of the Borough to meet the designation of a major Employment site as defined by the RSS (policy PA6).  It is considered appropriate to include the option of extensions to employment areas within the Borough boundaries.	No  No – but this is an option	No  Yes	None





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Create greater links with the High Technology Corridor, however such links do not comply with the further education courses that exist in Redditch, therefore there is a need to increase further education opportunities within the Borough.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	This is a local issue because Redditch is currently in the sphere of influence and not specifically within the High Technology Corridor. Diversification of the Borough's economy is an issue within the Issues and Options document.  However the issue of developing further education links in the Borough is an option.	Yes  No – but this is an option	Yes  Yes	There is a need to increase further education opportunities within the Borough.
Redditch needs to get connected/adopt links with a University or high technology organisation.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	Establishing links with higher and further education institutions is an option in the Issues and Options Document.	No – but it is an option	Yes	Redditch needs to get connected/adopt links with a University or high technology organisation.
The Borough needs to have a sufficient supply of employment land.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	The Employment Land Review will identify suitable sites for employment development.	No	Yes	None.



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
High skilled workers are not being attracted to Redditch.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	This is not a spatial planning issue.	No	No	High skilled workers are not being attracted to Redditch.
There is a need to encourage creative thinking e.g. creative architecture	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	This is not an issue for the Core Strategy. Creative architecture may be dealt with in a future SPD.	No	Yes	None
The speed with which planning applications are processed is an issue.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	This is not a spatial planning issue. The speed of processing a planning application is regulated by National Planning policy.	No	No	None
Possibilities for developing a Student village need to be considered.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	This is not a spatial planning issue.	No	No	Possibilities for developing a Student village.



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Allocation of employment land needs to be achieved in line with a balanced housing portfolio.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	The Regional Spatial Strategy sets housing and employment land targets for the Borough. The targets aim to provide a balance. As a Local Planning Authority, it is only possible to ensure there is sufficient land available to meet the requirements. However, in relation to the indicative long term target for employment land, it is up to Local Authorities to test the target. This is explored in the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None
There are vacant offices in the Borough; therefore oversupply could be an issue.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	The Employment Land Review will provide information on the level of future Office development, as well as the Regional targets set.	No	Yes	None
Offices in the Town Centre would be better used for retail, although they can add to the viability of the Town Centre.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	The current and future location of offices will be explored in the Employment Land Review; once the study has been completed this can be explored further.	No	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
Identifying appropriate location for offices should be needs-driven, not-plan driven	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	The location of offices is established in the RSS (45,000m <sup>2</sup> ), within, or on the edge of, Redditch Town Centre. This is in addition to the employment target of 51Ha (B1, B2 and B8 use).	No	No	None
Consideration should be given to the impact of car parking when providing land for offices, particularly in the Town Centre.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	This issue is too detailed for the Core Strategy and may be dealt with through a future DPD or SPD.	No	Yes	None
Car parking for office users can be expensive.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	This is not a spatial planning issue.	No	No	Car parking for office users can be expensive.
The issue of the demand for start up units needs to be addressed.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	The Employment Land Review will identify current demand, if there is demand for start up units it will be explored following the study.	No	Yes	None
There is currently a mismatch between the demand for offices and the supply of offices.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/10/07 and 18/09/07	This will be explored in the Employment Land Review.	No	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
The design of the Kingfisher Shopping Centre poses an issue.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	It is assumed that this issue relates to the dislike of the current design of the Kingfisher Centre. As this building is already established, the Core Strategy is unable to change its design. In the future good design principles could be covered by a specific LDD. At present good design principles are covered by National Planning Policy (PPS1 and PPS6).	No	Yes	None
The issue of the ownership of the Kingfisher Shopping Centre needs to be addressed, as the single owner wants to retain rents and not reduce them.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	This is not a spatial planning issue.	No	No	Ownership of Kingfisher. The single owner wants to retain rents and not reduce them.





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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
More retail is needed outside of the Kingfisher Shopping Centre in the Town Centre.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	PPS 6 encourages retail expansion of the Town Centre if the need is demonstrated and capacity is available. A Retail Needs Assessment is being commissioned to determine the retail needs and capacity within Redditch Town Centre. When this information is obtained a decision will be made about whether or not retail provision is a Core Strategy matter.	No	Yes	None
There is a lack of variety in the Town Centre e.g. hotels, eating facilities, hobby shops, ladies clothes shops, leisure facilities, entertainment, financial services.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	A health check of the Town Centre will determine the extent of variety in Redditch Town Centre. This is part of the Retail Needs Assessment. When this information is obtained a decision will be made about whether or not variety in the Town Centre is a Core Strategy matter.	No	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
Consideration needs to be given to the provision of low cost retail units.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	PPS 6 encourages retail expansion of the Town Centre if the need is demonstrated and capacity is available. A Retail Needs Assessment is being commissioned to determine the need for the right types of retail units in Redditch Town Centre. When this information is obtained a decision will be made about whether or not provision of low cost retail is a Core Strategy matter.	No	Yes	None
The night time economy in the Borough needs to be addressed – there is a lack of alternative entertainment opportunities e.g. family orientated. There is, however, a good provision of bars.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	There is evidence to suggest that the night time economy is an issue in Redditch.	Yes	Yes	None



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Pedestrianisation throughout the Borough needs to be addressed. If areas such as Church Green become pedestrian zones this could have negative implications for the evening economy.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	Pedestrianisation is not a spatial planning issue, however night time economy is considered to be an issue (see response to the comment above).	No	No	Pedestrian areas – if areas such as Church Green become pedestrian zones this could have negative implications for the evening economy.
There are parking/public transport issues at night. Car parks are closed during the evening and there is a lack of public transport into/out of the Town Centre.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	Car parking issues are too detailed for the Core Strategy and may be dealt with in a future LDD.  Public transport comments are considered under the Key theme of 'Stronger communities' - Transport.	No  Yes	Yes  Yes	Car parks are closed during the evening.



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<p>There is a lack of car parking generally in the Town Centre. Free/low cost parking is not readily available and there is the potential of being clamped in retail units parking. Therefore the issue is a lack of short stay car parking (including 30 minutes stay etc).</p>	<p>Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07</p>	<p>Car parking issues are too detailed for the Core Strategy and may be dealt with in a future LDD.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>There is a lack of car parking generally in the Town Centre. Free/low cost parking is not readily available and there is the potential of being clamped in retail units parking. Therefore the issue is a lack of short stay car parking (including 30 minutes stay etc).</p>
<p>There are large car parking areas in the Town Centre during the evening that are not being utilised e.g. Staples.</p>	<p>Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07</p>	<p>Car parking issues are too detailed for the Core Strategy and may be dealt with in a future LDD.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Large car parking areas in the Town Centre during the evening that are not being utilised e.g. Staples.</p>



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A facility needs to be provided for coach parking (drop off/collection point).	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07, 18/10/07, 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	Coach parking issues are considered under the Key theme of 'Stronger communities' - Transport.	Yes	Yes	A facility needs to be provided for coach parking (drop off/collection point).
There are park and ride issues – individuals park at Tesco and catch bus into the Town Centre.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	The matter of out-of-town car parking is too detailed for the Core Strategy and may be dealt with in a future LDD.	No	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
Questions are being raised over the capacity of New Town District Centres to sustain expansion.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	PPS 6 encourages retail expansion of District Centres where appropriate and if a need for expansion is demonstrated. A Retail Needs Assessment has been commissioned to determine the need and capacity of Redditch's District Centres, and possible sites for expansion will be highlighted in the assessment.	Yes	Yes	None
Consideration needs to be given to potential impacts on other local centres – for example possible Brockhill Centre/retail unit – how will this impact on the Batchley local centre?	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	A Retail Needs Assessment has been commissioned to determine the need and capacity in Redditch Town Centre and District Centres. There will be a retail hierarchy developed to ensure that each centre's function is maintained therefore impact on existing District Centres is not an issue but a hierarchy of centre is presented in the Issues and Options Document.	No	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
It should be ensured that facilities are available in District Centres to support forthcoming development.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	The Retail Needs Assessment will make assumptions related to the population growth anticipated for Redditch Borough up until 2026. The need for additional retail facilities is determined based on population growth. Once the Retail Needs Assessment is complete the location of new retail development could be an issue for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
The character of District Centres, for example Astwood Bank, should be retained.	Economy Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 15/11/07	Retaining character comments are considered under the Key theme of Stronger Communities - Distinctiveness	Yes	Yes	None



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
District centres are located in the wrong places; opportunities should be explored to locate smaller shops in close proximity to supermarkets.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	The need for additional District Centres will be determined through a Retail Needs Assessment and possible areas for expansion for retail facilities will also be considered in the assessment. Retail should be allocated in the most sustainable locations in accordance with PPS 6. At this stage this is not considered to be an Issue.	No	Yes	None
The possibility of introducing the live-work concept to Redditch should be explored. Having retail and offices based on the lower levels in buildings and residential units above would lower travelling distances.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	The live-work concept is supported in national planning policy and it is considered appropriate as a possible option to help maintain the vitality and viability of Redditch Town Centre.	Yes	Yes	None
There is insufficient car parking within the Town Centre.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	Car parking issues are too detailed for the Core Strategy and may be dealt with in a future LDD.	No	Yes	None





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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
A better supply of transport (funded) into the Town Centre is required.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	Funding is not a matter for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	Better supply of transport (funded) into Town Centre.
Consideration should be given to the distinctiveness of Redditch Town Centre – what is our niche in addition to disability access?	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	Distinctiveness comments are considered under the issue of 'Stronger Communities' - Redditch Distinctiveness	Yes	Yes	Distinctiveness of Redditch Town Centre – what is our niche in addition to disability access?
There is a need to encourage further evening economy, in terms of retail opportunities (later opening – café culture).	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	There is evidence to suggest that the night time economy is an issue in Redditch and this has been documented in Community Strategies.	Yes	Yes	None
There is a concern that living above shops does not always work.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	Living above shops continues to be supported as a national planning policy concept in PPS 6. Officers consider that the concept should remain as an option to help with the issue of maintaining the vitality and viability of Redditch Town Centre.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None



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District Centres should be sustainable in terms of access.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	One of the key concepts of the preparation of the LDF is to ensure ongoing sustainability. At all stages of preparation of the Core Strategy, Sustainability Appraisal will be applied to ensure that the most sustainable decisions are made. In terms of the location of additional facilities, if a need is proven through the Retail Needs Assessment, retail opportunities would be provided in the most sustainable locations in accordance with a retail hierarchy which is included in the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None
There is a need for improved liaison with owners/operators and shopkeepers of the Kingfisher Centre.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	Informal pre-consultation on issues has taken place with the owners of the Kingfisher Shopping Centre and other interested stakeholders.	No	No	Need for improved liaison with owners/operators and shopkeepers of the Kingfisher Centre.



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non- planning issues
Attracting retail tourism into the Town Centre should be a priority.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	An objective of the Core Strategy is "To enhance the visitor economy and Redditch's cultural and leisure opportunities". It could be that attracting retail tourism is a way of achieving this. Consequently, this matter is being considered as an option.	No – but this is an option	Yes	None
The issue of attracting tourism in the Borough needs to be addressed.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	An objective of the Core Strategy is "To enhance the visitor economy and Redditch's cultural and leisure opportunities". This is therefore an issue for the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None
Redditch does not benefit from passing trade because of the ring road.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	Having no passing trade is unusual in Town Centres. If the ring road is a constraint to the expansion of Redditch Town Centre, this will be identified in the Retail Needs Assessment.	No	Yes	None



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There is a need to identify what individuals want/need in the Town (overall).	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	Pre-consultation on issues has been a useful exercise to determine the public/stakeholder issues for the Town Centre. Further consultation is also planned in line with the Borough Council's Statement of Community Involvement. The Retail Needs Assessment will undertake a household survey to determine the needs of residents.	No	Yes	None



## Improving health and well-being

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-Planning issues
<b>Health and Well-Being:</b>					
<p>Although there is a wide range of health facilities across Redditch Borough, more facilities are needed to cater for the growing and future populations, in particular health provision which is within walking distance of residences should be encouraged.</p>	<p>Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07, Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07</p>	<p>National Planning policy states that there is a requirement to ensure facilities are provided to support development. As part of the preparation of the Core Strategy, health facility infrastructure requirements will have to be determined. When this information is obtained a decision will be made about the delivery of health infrastructure. Until this information is available, preliminary questions about the location of health facilities is asked in the Issues and Options Document.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>



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Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-Planning issues
There is a need to extend services at local centres including the provision of primary care mental health, blood testing and x-ray facilities.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The option of expanding the boundaries of District Centres to enhance the local retail offer and other services and facilities is included in the Issues and Options Document under the issue of 'District Centres'.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None
Health services should be encouraged to extend their opening hours to include weekend and/or evening services.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	This is not a spatial planning issue.	No	No	Health services should be encouraged to extend their opening hours to include weekend and/or evening services.



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Facilities should be encouraged to merge together at a central location (i.e. the Town Centre) where appropriate in order to provide a higher quality and more thorough service.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	Current planning policy does not prohibit the merging of health facilities in a Town Centre location, subject to Development Control criteria.	No	No	Facilities should be encouraged to merge together at a central location (i.e. the Town Centre) where appropriate in order to provide a higher quality and more thorough service.
Drop-in centres should be introduced across the Borough.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	Current planning policy does not prohibit the development of Drop-in centres, subject to Development Control criteria.	No	No	Drop-in centres should be introduced across the Borough



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An agreement should be made which ensures that the land surrounding the Alexandra Hospital is protected for health-related purposes. The Alexandra Hospital Curtilage Policy should be respected and extended where necessary.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	This is a spatial planning matter essential to the delivery of the spatial vision. The Land to the Rear of Alexandra Hospital is considered to be a strategic site in the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None
Preventative health measures and early intervention in health issues need to be ensured.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning issue.	No	No	Preventative health measures and early intervention in health issues need to be ensured.
There should be more funding and resourcing for health-related issues.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Section 106 monies could be secured to fund health-related infrastructure. This matter will be considered in the preparation of the Community Infrastructure Levy.	No	Yes	None





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Green Travel Plans should be used as a means of fostering healthy living and address all transport issues within the community.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	Green Travel Plans achieve a number of objectives. As a means of delivering the spatial vision, Green Travel Plans are likely to feature in the Core Strategy delivery framework.	No	Yes	None
Better transport services and networks to health centres and hospitals need to be provided.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Transport is covered in the Issues and Options Document, however access to specific locations is too detailed.	No	Yes	Better transport services and networks to health centres and hospitals need to be provided.
Tuition should be provided for first time parents prior to becoming parents.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a matter that the Core Strategy can deal with.	No	No	Tuition should be provided for first time parents prior to becoming parents.
More citizenship training should be offered.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a matter that the Core Strategy can deal with.	No	No	More citizenship training should be offered.



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<p>The needs of disabled people must be met within society, with an emphasis on guaranteeing accessibility to all buildings and ensuring that all members of the community can play a full role in society.</p>	<p>State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07</p>	<p>The Sustainability Appraisal has two objectives that deal with these matters. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “To provide opportunities for communities to participate in and contribute to decisions that affect their neighbourhood and quality of life, encouraging pride and social responsibility in the local community.”</li> <li>• “To improve the vitality and viability of town and district centres and the quality of, and equitable access to, local services and facilities, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, disability, socio-economic status or educational attainment.”</li> </ul>	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>



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The implementation of the Government initiative 'Every Child Matters' with one of its aims 'Be Healthy' should encourage a focus on child health.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The health priorities for Redditch Borough are derived from the Worcestershire Local Area Agreement; this includes a focus on meeting the needs of children and young people.	No	No	None
Houses should be designed for lifelong occupancy.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	If there is enough evidence to support the policy provision of Lifetime homes, then this could be included in the Core Strategy in due course.	No – but this is an option	Yes	None
An older persons' housing strategy should be implemented which would review existing accommodation provision for older people and assess its suitability and quality.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Existing older person's accommodation is not an issue for the Core Strategy.	No	No	An older persons' housing strategy should be implemented which would review existing accommodation provision for older people and assess its suitability and quality.



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There is a need for houses to be built which have a high thermal capacity.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This issue is covered by Policy SR3 'Sustainable design and construction' in the RSS Preferred Option Document (Dec 2007) and therefore is not an issue in the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
Taxes should be placed on food in order to reduce waste and discourage over-eating.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	None
There should be a local provision of services for people with higher level mental health problems.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	None
Pollution needs to be addressed.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Pollution is dealt with through National (PPS 24) and Regional Policy (RSS Preferred Option Document, Dec 2007).  The Sustainability Appraisal for the LDF has the following objective: 'To protect and improve the quality of water, soil and air'.	No	Yes	None



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<b>Leisure, Recreation and Tourism:</b>					
Bordesley Abbey and Forge Mill are good assets for the Borough and should be preserved.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	The site is designated as a Scheduled Ancient Monument. This is therefore a nationally protected site.	No	Yes	None
The possibility of allocating land for the development of hotel (possibly by the Arrow Valley Lake) and built leisure facilities should be considered (including cheaper and more expensive visitor accommodation). A study may be required to support such development.  Hotel accommodation should be marketed to promote Redditch's good location.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08 and Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	The Retail Needs Assessment will establish whether there is a need for visitor accommodation and other leisure facilities in the Borough. If there is enough evidence that identifies a need for visitor accommodation or other leisure facilities, then this could be included in the Core Strategy in due course. Marketing is not a spatial planning matter.	No	Yes	Hotel accommodation should be marketed to promote Redditch's good location.



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Brown highway signs should be introduced on surrounding transport networks in order to signpost attractions in the Borough.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	This is a matter that is being considered by the planning department. However, it is too detailed to feature in the Core Strategy.	No	No	Brown highway signs should be introduced on surrounding transport networks in order to signpost attractions in the Borough.
Blue plaques which identify sites associated with an area's cultural and historical heritage should be introduced across the Borough.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Blue plaques which identify sites associated with an area's cultural and historical heritage should be introduced across the Borough.



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Facilities available at N.E.W college should be used more productively and readily.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Facilities available at N.E.W college should be used more productively and readily.
Leisure and tourism opportunities within the Borough should be advertised at the Town Centre cinema complex.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Leisure and tourism opportunities within the Borough should be advertised at the Town Centre cinema complex.
Current amenities and activities on offer in the Borough should be expanded upon in order to boost local tourism.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	The provision of amenities and activities in the Borough is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Current amenities and activities on offer in the Borough should be expanded upon.



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There is a need to raise the profile of Redditch at a national level. Individual facilities that are scattered around the Borough including Moons Moat, Bordesley Abbey, and The Palace Theatre etc should be packaged as a whole and advertised as such.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	There is a need to raise the profile of Redditch at a national level.
The lack of sites in the Town Centre which are suitable for holding events needs to be addressed.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	There are a lot of public/Civic areas in Redditch Town Centre, how these are used is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The lack of sites in the Town Centre which are suitable for holding events needs to be addressed.





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There are areas around the Kingfisher Centre that could be promoted for tourism, retail and leisure purposes, including the Church Road site.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	It is agreed that there are likely to be sites around the Kingfisher Centre that could be promoted for tourism, retail and leisure purposes, including the Church Road site. The Retail Needs Assessment will identify sites within the Town Centre suitable for use, including the Church Road site. The Core Strategy should facilitate the redevelopment of suitable sites in the Town Centre for appropriate uses. However, identifying specific sites is not an issue for the Issues and Options document.	No	Yes	None



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Following the regeneration of Arrow Valley, Morton Stanley Park should be enhanced and promoted in a similar vein. Improvements are required and facilities such as shelters and cafes should be introduced including the provision of cycle lanes.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Following the regeneration of Arrow Valley, Morton Stanley Park should be enhanced and promoted in a similar vein. Improvements are required and facilities such as shelters and cafes should be introduced including the provision of cycle lanes.



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<p>There is a need to address the lack of public leisure facilities in the Borough. More facilities, like that of the Dolphin Centre in neighbouring Bromsgrove, should be developed. This could be a single large complex in a central and convenient location or by protecting and improving local leisure facilities.</p>	<p>Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07</p>	<p>The Borough Council has already identified the need to address shortfalls in built leisure provision. The Abbey Stadium scheme is a proposal that is intended to address this issue. There may be a need to protect existing built leisure facilities and at the same time expand facilities in the period up to 2026. These matters could be explored during the preparation of the Core Strategy.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>There is a need to address the lack of public leisure facilities in the Borough. More facilities, like that of the Dolphin Centre in neighbouring Bromsgrove, should be developed.</p>
<p>The Abbey Stadium could be used much like the other open spaces in the area and marketed as such. Other open spaces could also be better marketed and advertised.</p>	<p>Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07 and Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08</p>	<p>The marketing of open space is not a spatial planning matter.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>The Abbey Stadium could be used much like the other open spaces in the area and marketed as such.</p>



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The green fields located at the Abbey Stadium must be protected.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The Abbey Stadium proposal for built leisure is a specific allocation in Local Plan No.3 and consequently is not protected by 'Open Space' designation. The Council is committed to the Abbey Stadium proposal.	No	Yes	The green fields located at the Abbey Stadium must be protected.
Accessibility to leisure facilities for all members of the community should be improved.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The pricing structure of leisure facilities is not a spatial planning matter. Accessibility to leisure buildings for disabled people is dealt with by Building Regulations. Accessibility to the Abbey Stadium by all modes of transport will be dealt with through the planning application process.	No	No	Accessibility to leisure facilities for all members of the community should be improved.



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<b>Open Space:</b> Areas of open space need to be considered in terms of their potential for development (e.g. North East Church Hill). Some areas may not be suitable due to flood risk.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	An Open Space Needs Assessment refresh will determine different designations of open space, some of which could be considered for development through the Core Strategy process. However, identifying specific sites is not an issue for the Issues and Options document. The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment will identify areas not suitable for development or suitable for development with mitigation measures.	No	Yes	None



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Open space is a valuable and distinctive asset that should be preserved, however not all open space is easily accessible.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08 and Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The Open Space Needs Assessment refresh will identify the valuable open space that should be preserved. When this study is completed, establishing the levels of open space provision will be a matter for the Core Strategy. Section 106 monies could be secured to fund improving accessibility of existing open space. However, improving accessibility also falls within the remit of other Council functions. The issue about the maintenance of Redditch's higher than average open space standards is a matter for the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	Not all open space is easily accessible.
The possibility of using S106 contributions to maintain open space should be considered.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	This is already achieved through the adopted Open Space Provision SPD.	No	No	None



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The Borough should seek to maximise its visual amenity by opening up vistas including that towards the Arrow Valley Lake.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	Maximising visual amenity is a principle of good design. Good design should be encouraged through the Core Strategy but this does not mean that the opening up of vistas will be considered appropriate at planning application stage.	No	Yes	The Borough should seek to maximise its visual amenity by opening up vistas including that towards the Arrow Valley Lake.
Improved signage is required to signpost Arrow Valley Lake and its environs.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	This is not a spatial planning matter for the Core Strategy. Section 106 monies could be secured to improve signage. This matter will be considered in the preparation of the Community Infrastructure Levy.	No	Yes	Improved signage is required to signpost Arrow Valley Lake and its environs.



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<p>The use of open space should be maximised through encouraging different uses including water play, nature walks and bbq spots, all of which must be environmentally sensitive. Increasing the uses of open spaces may help to combat problems such as vandalism and anti-social behaviour.</p>	<p>Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08 and Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07</p>	<p>These are park management issues and not spatial planning matters.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>The use of open space should be maximised through encouraging different uses including water play, nature walks and BBQ spots, all of which must be environmentally sensitive. Increasing the uses of open spaces may help to combat problems such as vandalism and anti-social behaviour.</p>





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Better public transport links are required to improve access to the Arrow Valley and Morton Stanley park sites.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08 and Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	Public transport comments are considered under the Key theme of 'Stronger communities' - Transport.	Yes	Yes	Better public transport links are required to improve access to the Arrow Valley and Morton Stanley park sites.
A continuous cycle network is needed across the Borough in order to encourage cycle use.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	Monies can be collected to contribute to the provision of the cycle network established by Worcestershire County Council via S.106 agreements. Cycling facilities are also considered as an option in the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None



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Given that the Green Belt is not as accessible as Redditch town for visitors and walkers, the issue of access to rural areas needs to be addressed.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08	This is not an issue for the Issues and Options Document but will be considered as part of the Core Strategy process.	No	Yes	Given that the Green Belt is not as accessible as Redditch town for visitors and walkers, the issue of access to rural areas needs to be addressed.
The issue of coloured lighting (up lighters) and their effect on behaviour should be addressed. Lighting is an important means of improving the feeling of safety. Bus stops are in particular need of sufficient lighting.	Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08 and Citizen and Stakeholders Panel 30/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The delivery of lighting is not a spatial planning matter. Good design should be encouraged through the Core Strategy. Section 106 monies could be secured to improve lighting.	No	Yes	The issue of coloured lighting (up lighters) and their effect on behaviour should be addressed. Bus stops are in particular need of sufficient lighting.



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<p>Informal play areas are required within the Borough and the introduction of leisure facilities such as goal posts and volleyball courts in the town's parks.</p> <p>The equipment offered in some play areas needs to be improved in order to cater for all age ranges.</p> <p>Outdoor activities and the provision of play areas should be developed as a means of encouraging children and young people to engage in outside play.</p>	<p>Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08 and Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07 and Local Democracy Week 15/10/07</p>	<p>Provision of play areas and leisure equipment is already achieved through the adopted Open Space Provision SPD for new residential developments. Provision of leisure equipment in existing areas could be achieved through either the SPD or as a park management issue.</p>	No	No	<p>Informal play areas are required within the Borough and the introduction of leisure facilities such as goal posts and volleyball courts in the town's parks.</p>
<p>Gateways to open space should be considered e.g. Woodrow Park.</p>	<p>Planning Advisory Panel 13/12/07 and 17/01/08</p>	<p>This is a park management issue and not a spatial planning matter.</p>	No	No	<p>Gateways to open space should be considered e.g. Woodrow Park.</p>



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The open space in rural locations makes Redditch distinctive and separate from Birmingham and thus should be maintained.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	It is understood that open space in this context refers to the countryside. The RSS presents the issue of a strategic development target that will require development on some countryside. Options about strategic locations for growth are presented in the 'Spatial Policies' section of the Issues and Options Document.	No – but this is an option	Yes	None
Issues of safety and security can discourage people from using open spaces and as such these factors must be addressed.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	This is a park management issue and not a spatial planning matter	No	No	Issues of safety and security can discourage people from using open spaces and as such these factors must be addressed.



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Good design is important to play areas in preventing the damage of equipment, defining the character of an area and, enhancing the quality of the site.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	The Open Space Provision SPD states that in relation to design, consideration should be given to 'Secured By Design' and 'Safer Places' along with any other relevant documents. Consultation with the Redditch Police Crime Risk Manager and Redditch Borough Council Urban Designer should also be sought.	No	No	None



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<p>There should be selective development of open spaces, with the Green Belt being preserved wherever possible. The development of different types of open space should be prioritised such that brownfield sites and other open spaces are sacrificed before Green Belt.</p>	<p>Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07</p>	<p>Whether or not there should be selective development of open spaces is an issue for the Issues and Options Document. The Issues and Options Document assumes that Green Belt in Redditch Borough should be preserved wherever possible. National and Regional Planning policy makes it clear that brownfield sites should be fully utilised for development where possible and indeed the RSS has a brownfield target for each district.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>None</p>



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If growth in the Borough extends cross-boundary, open space standards i.e. 7.43ha per 1000 population should be maintained in order to benefit the population of Redditch and society in general.	Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07	The continuation of Redditch Borough's open space standards cross-boundary is not an issue to be dealt with in the Redditch Core Strategy. Bromsgrove, Redditch and Stratford-on-Avon Councils will determine the open space standards for Redditch related growth.	No	No	None



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<p>The possibility of erecting garages in Warrington Close, Greenlands, in place of the lay-by where residents currently park should be reconsidered despite having been previously rejected by the Council on the basis of a potential loss of visual amenity.</p>	<p>Health and Well Being Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 22/11/07</p>	<p>This is not a matter for the Core Strategy.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>The possibility of erecting garages in Warrington Close, Greenlands, in place of the lay-by where residents currently park should be reconsidered despite having been previously rejected by the Council on the basis of a potential loss of visual amenity.</p>





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<p>There should be one building of mixed use that serves the community. It could be used to facilitate all community functions e.g. sport, recreation and education. This means that there needs to be a co-ordinated approach to providing or improving facilities.</p>	<p>Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07</p>	<p>This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>There should be one building of mixed use that serves the community. It could be used to facilitate all community functions e.g. sport, recreation and education. This means that there needs to be a co-ordinated approach to providing or improving facilities.</p>



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Facilities for parents should be encouraged within communities.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Facilities for parents should be encouraged within communities.
As focal points within a community, schools should provide community facilities for children and young people and the wider community.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This does not present an issue for the Issues and Options Document.	No	Yes	As focal points within a community, schools should provide community facilities for children and young people.



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More provision for young people during the school holidays is required. Arrow Valley Park is a good resource that should be used more efficiently by schools in the summer to locate and run activities.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	More provision for young people during the school holidays is required. Arrow Valley Park is a good resource that should be used more efficiently by schools in the summer to locate and run activities.
More facilities for children and young people should be provided in the Town Centre, with the area surrounding St.Stephen's Church as a possible location for regeneration and allocation of such facilities.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007	The Retail Needs Assessment will determine the need for leisure facilities in the Borough. The assessment will also suggest potential sites for these leisure facilities. The Town Centre is the focus for these types of uses, however the issue of specific facilities for young people is too detailed for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None



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Both children and The Skills Council are good sources of information with regard to the needs and requirements of young people within Redditch and therefore should be used more readily.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Baseline information from the Herefordshire and Worcestershire Learning and Skills Council is included in the Scoping Report for the LDF. However, this comment does not present any issues for the Issues and Options Document.	No	No	None
Existing activities and events, such as the Feckenham Film Club, need more promotion to raise the community's awareness of these events and encourage participation amongst young people.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007	The promotion of events is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Existing activities and events, such as the Feckenham Film Club, need more promotion to raise the community's awareness of these events and encourage participation amongst young people.



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The use of empty church halls and community centres should be considered in terms of their potential provision of space for children and young people.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The use of empty church halls and community centres should be considered in terms of their potential provision of space for children and young people.
Redditch Borough Council requires a community development officer whose role should be to co-ordinate activities for children and young people.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Redditch Borough Council requires a community development officer whose role should be to co-ordinate activities for children and young people.



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<p>There needs to be strong communication between N.E.W. College and the industrial sector to ensure that the correct courses are being provided to young people.</p>	<p>Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/2007 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07</p>	<p>Communication between the N.E.W College and the industrial sector is important. Planning Officers will explore existing communication levels and make employers and the College aware of opportunities for funding for courses via the CIL to achieve stronger links between employers and the College.</p> <p>Diversification of the Borough's economy is explored in the Issues and Options Document.</p>	<p>No – but this is an option.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>There needs to be strong communication between N.E.W. College and the industrial sector to ensure that the correct courses are being provided to young people.</p>



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Consideration should be given to S106 contributions for informal education e.g. at N.E.W. College, public play provision, and formal education.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	<p>Informal education is considered to mean evening classes. Section 106 contributions could be used for informal education provision – this could be delivered through the CIL, and/or would need to be justified at individual application stages.</p> <p>In terms of using section 106 contributions for formal education and public play provision, this is covered by current Supplementary Planning Documents.</p>	No	Yes	None
There is a need for an SPD which provides more detail on the allocation of S106 money, including details of what the need is and where it is needed.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	An SPD/ Community Infrastructure Levy regarding obligations is currently being considered. This comment does not present any issues for the Issues and Options Document.	No	Yes	None



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There should be schemes in place for the provision of play facilities in new developments that are made in consultation with Leisure Services.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	This is covered by a current Supplementary Planning Document.	No	Yes	None





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<p>Consideration needs to be given to the location of youth shelters, in particular the need to sensitively locate the shelters to maximise safety and minimise disruption. Furthermore, it should be identified where there is a particular need within a community for a youth shelter.</p>	<p>Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07</p>	<p>This is too detailed for the Core Strategy.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Consideration needs to be given to the location of youth shelters in particular the need to sensitively locate the shelters to maximise safety and minimise disruption. Furthermore, it should be identified where there is a particular need within a community for a youth shelter.</p>



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As a source of information and conduit between adults and young people, there is a need to consult the student council on issues affecting the lives of young people, where appropriate.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	The student council have been consulted during the preparation of the Core Strategy. This comment does not present any issues for the Issues and Options Document.	No	No	None
Consultation with the County Council should be sought with regard to new schools and in particular the impacts of infrastructure, parking and transport.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07	The County Council have been consulted during the preparation of the Community Infrastructure Levy.	No	Yes	None



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There should be sufficient social infrastructure provision for late teenagers.	Planning Advisory Panel 18/09/07 and 18/10/07 and Local Democracy Week 15/10/07	A Leisure and Cultural Strategy should inform infrastructure requirements for older teenagers in order for this to be dealt with through planning. Planning Officers are not aware of specific requirements for older teenagers; however should an identifiable need exist planning policy can contribute to the provision for this demographic.	No	Yes	None.
Encouragement and aid should be given to youth organisations.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Encouragement and aid should be given to youth organisations.
Schools should develop their extra-curricular activity opportunities and provision of before and after-school care.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Schools should develop their extra-curricular activity opportunities and provision of before and after-school care.



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There is a need to stress the importance of a secure, safe and loving environment for children.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	There is a need to stress the importance of a secure, safe and loving environment for children.
Children should be taught the repercussions of bad behaviour and the benefits of good behaviour.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Children should be taught the repercussions of bad behaviour and the benefits of good behaviour.



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Redditch Borough Council should take an active role in the development of lower achievers by conducting training schemes for this target group.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Redditch Borough Council should take an active role in the development of lower achievers by conducting training schemes for this target group.
More support needs to be given to disaffected youngsters in school, particularly those who tend to leave the educational system early.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	More support needs to be given to disaffected youngsters in school, particularly those who tend to leave the educational system early.



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The provision of high quality educational opportunities at all levels should be prioritised.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The provision of high quality educational opportunities at all levels should be prioritised.
The relationship between parents and children should be facilitated, with an emphasis on, and opportunities for, parents spending more time with their children.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The relationship between parents and children should be facilitated, with an emphasis on, and opportunities for, parents spending more time with their children.
A safe and environmentally friendly transport system for children to use for travel to and from school needs to be ensured.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This does not present any issues for the Issues and Options document. However, the promotion of Green Travel plans will be considered as part of the Core Strategy preparation.	No	Yes	None



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Lone parents should be provided with more supportive accommodation options.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Lone parents should be provided with more supportive accommodation options.
Youth homelessness needs to be addressed and the establishment of a north Worcestershire foyer which would provide vital advice and access to training and support facilities for homeless youth would be integral to improving the situation.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Youth homelessness needs to be addressed and the establishment of a north Worcestershire foyer which would provide vital advice and access to training and support facilities for homeless youth would be integral to improving the situation.



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Mentoring programmes for children should be introduced.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Mentoring programmes for children should be introduced.
The delivery of 'extended schools' – schools which work 'with the local authority, local providers and other schools to provide access to a core offer of integrated services' – should be prioritised as a means of achieving the outcomes of the governmental initiative 'Every Child Matters': Be healthy; Stay Safe; Enjoy and Achieve; Make a positive contribution and; Achieve economic well-being.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The delivery of 'extended schools' – schools which work 'with the local authority, local providers and other schools to provide access to a core offer of integrated services' – should be prioritised as a means of achieving the outcomes of the governmental initiative 'Every





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					Child Matters': Be healthy; Stay Safe; Enjoy and Achieve; Make a positive contribution and; Achieve economic well-being.
A facility or forum aimed specifically at under 16's is required in the community.	Local Democracy Week 15/10/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	A facility or forum aimed specifically at under 16's is required in the community.



## Stronger Communities

Issues suggested	Source(s) of suggestion	Officer Response	Is this an issue for the Issues and Options Document?	Could this be an issue for the LDF?	Non-planning issues
<b>Transport:</b>					
There is a desire to maintain current bus services and routes as well as other community transport systems.	Planning Advisory Panel 17/01/08	Public transport is considered in the 'Stronger communities – Transport' section of the Issues and Options Document.	No- but it is an option	Yes	None
Car/bike clubs should be encouraged in new developments.	Planning Advisory Panel 17/01/08	Green Travel Plans achieve a number of objectives. As a means of delivering the spatial vision, Green Travel Plans are likely to feature in the Core Strategy delivery framework. Travel Plans are also considered an Option in the Issues and Options Document.	No –but it is an option	Yes	None



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Narrower main roads should be implemented to allow more productive use of land within developments.	Planning Advisory Panel 17/01/08	The design and layout of main roads can have many positive aspects, for instance it can be used as a tool for 'place shaping' and to address road safety matters. These positive design outcomes would carry more weight in road design than regard for the amount of land used for the road. Good design associated with main roads is addressed through national guidance.	No	Yes	None
Bus shelters with real-time information regarding bus services should be provided by developers at the development stage.	Planning Advisory Panel 17/01/08	Green Travel Plans achieve a number of objectives. As a means of delivering the spatial vision, Green Travel Plans are likely to feature in the Core Strategy delivery framework and within the Issues and Options Document as an option. It is likely that real-time information is not a matter that can be dealt with through planning policy.	No – but it is an option	Yes	None



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Children should be encouraged to use sustainable transport systems to travel to and from school with a particular emphasis on walking and cycling. This should create space outside of schools for those who need to use their cars and prevent congestion at peak school hours.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	<p>For existing schools, Green Travel Plans can be implemented. Some schools in the Borough already have walking buses and cycle proficiency tests. Creating space outside schools as drop-off points would need to be considered on a site by site basis as part of the Development Control process.</p> <p>Should a new school need to be built, accessibility by all modes of transport should be integral to the design.</p>	No	Yes	None
Police need to tackle the issue of illegal parking outside of schools with sufficient enforcement.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Police need to tackle the issue of illegal parking outside of schools with sufficient enforcement.



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Better and safer cycle storage facilities and infrastructure need to be developed.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	Any improvements to cycle storage will need to be related to new developments if S.106 monies are to be secured. The Code for Sustainable Homes indicates that cycling storage should be integral to the design of new residential dwellings. Cycle storage should be integral to the design of new development irrespective of the use.	No	Yes	None
Redditch train station is in need of enhancement in terms of parking facilities, multimodal access, mobility access and quality facilities which should be paid for through Development contributions.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	The Edward Street site is considered to be a strategic site in the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None



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Train travel requires improved marketing and an enhanced provision of transport information.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Train travel requires improved marketing and an enhanced provision of transport information.
Bus lanes are not currently situated in suitable locations, often placed at a distance from homes and the general population. There is a need for mixed-use not just bus only lanes.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	Public transport routes are located in specific locations to enable the creation of a loop between the districts and the Town Centre. The intention behind the routes is that they enable the 'free flow' of buses. The route that buses take is not a planning matter. It is pointed out that the Issues and Options document deals with the matter of whether or not bus routes should be opened up to general traffic in order to improve natural surveillance and improve patronage at District Centres.	Yes	Yes	None



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Better access is required to existing transport services.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	The Accessibility Assessment will ensure that there are good links by all modes of transport from all proposed developments. The matter is given further consideration in the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None
Car parking issues, including the standard and provision of car parking facilities within the Borough, need to be addressed.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	Car Parking is too detailed for the Core Strategy and may be covered by a future LDD.	No	Yes	None
There needs to be a concerted effort to improve transport services in the borough along with good consultation with the aim of improving community cohesion and increasing access to local services.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07 and State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Officers of the Council are working with the transport authority in developing the Core Strategy. Consultation is undertaken throughout the planning process in line with the Statement of Community Involvement.	No	Yes	None



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Developers should be made accountable for the provision of correct infrastructure including appropriate transport networks.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	Infrastructure provision will be dealt with through the Community Infrastructure Levy. It is also a requirement of National and Regional Planning policy to ensure appropriate infrastructure serve new developments.	No	Yes	None
The lack of Sunday public transport services needs to be addressed.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The lack of Sunday public transport services needs to be addressed.
The lack of evening public transport services needs to be addressed.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The lack of evening public transport services needs to be addressed.





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There is a need for good public access to hospital sites and the provision of high quality roads to support hospital traffic.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	There is a proposed interchange at the hospital, which is likely to be retained, which would improve access to the hospital. However, this is too detailed for the Core Strategy. If there is any further land use planning developments at the hospital, any identified and related improvements could be secured.	No	Yes	None
Individuals should be encouraged to use Town Centre facilities which they access via public transport. Out of town shopping centres can detract residents away from the Town Centre increasing car usage to reach less decentralised locations.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	Public transport is considered as an option in the Issues and Options Document. The hierarchy of centres is within the Development Strategy section of the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	Individuals should be encouraged to use Town Centre facilities which they access via public transport.



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An effective scrutiny process should be implemented to monitor development.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	The Delivery Framework will set out monitoring measures for the Core Strategy. Other monitoring processes occur such as the AMR, Housing and Employment monitoring etc.	No	Yes	None
Dial-a-ride services should be on demand rather than pre-planned. The possibility that this could be provided through an S106 should be explored.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	Frequency of Dial-a-ride is not a spatial planning matter. Using S.106 monies to enhance dial a ride services is a feasible option.	No	Yes	Dial-a-ride services should be on demand rather than pre-planned.
Integrated travel networks are required which have a consumer-oriented focus.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Integrated travel networks are required which have a consumer-oriented focus.



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Transport links between the urban and rural areas within the borough should be developed.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	The route that buses take is not a planning matter. Road infrastructure is already in place that links the urban and rural areas of the Borough. If further infrastructure is required as a result of new development this will be achieved through planning obligations.	No	No	Transport links between the urban and rural areas within the borough should be developed.
<b>Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Show People :</b>					
Access to new parks should be planned in order to prevent unlawful use of other sites.	Planning Advisory Panel 17/01/08	This is too detailed for the Core Strategy. This matter may be considered for inclusion in a future LDD.	No	Yes	Access to new parks should be planned in order to prevent unlawful use of other sites.



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Use of legal sites should be encouraged. If the Borough is required to supply sites for travellers, these should be in suitable locations that are near existing facilities and transport networks. This could be in industrial areas.	Planning Advisory Panel 17/01/08 and Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	There are no legal sites for gypsies and travellers within the Borough, however there is a Travelling Show People's quarter. The RSS phase III review will give an allocation for a specific number of pitches, where applicable, for each district in the West Midlands. If Redditch gets an allocation to meet within its administrative boundary, a site will need to be identified in a subsequent LDD. The Core Strategy will have a criterion based policy with regard to site provision and thus the possible criteria will be a matter for the Issues and Options Document.	Yes	Yes	None



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The employers of gypsies and travellers should be responsible for providing pitches.	Communities and Young People Citizen and Stakeholder Discussion Panel 30/11/07	Irrespective of who provides the site(s), whether this is an employer, the Gypsy and Traveller families themselves or the Local authority, the number of pitches to be provided will be established through the RSS process.	No	Yes	None
<b>Distinctiveness:</b>					
The issue of whether variety or homogeneity is encouraged across the Borough needs to be addressed.	Planning Advisory Panel 17/01/08	This is the purpose of the Distinctiveness section of the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None
More time should be given locally to leisure and social events.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	More time should be given locally to leisure and social events.



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The connection between residential and employment zones should be maintained. There should be a concerted effort to ensure appropriate residential and commercial development.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	In relation to access to and from new developments, this will be informed by the 'Accessibility Study' and in due course will be considered in the preparation of the Core Strategy. Accessibility is dealt with in the 'Stronger Communities' transport section.	Yes	Yes	None
		In relation to having a balance in terms of new housing land and new employment land, the RSS target is in theory a balance, however this needs to be clarified through the RSS process and checked through the Employment Land Review.	No	Yes	None



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There is a need to offer more ESOL courses to increase the number of people who can speak English as a means of enabling communication amongst different community groups and ensuring more effective integration of people within society. Employers should be involved in the promotion of ESOL.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	There is a need to offer more ESOL courses to increase the number of people who can speak English as a means of enabling communication amongst different community groups and ensuring more effective integration of people within society. Employers should be involved in the promotion of ESOL.
Services that are integral to the community including post offices, local shops and banks should be protected.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Retail Needs Assessments identifies the need for retail facilities. Until the outcome is known there are no issues to present in the Issues and Options document.	No	Yes	None



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The 'Extended Schools' scheme offers a means of empowering local people by bringing together citizens and partner agencies to find solutions to local problems.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	The 'Extended Schools' scheme offers a means of empowering local people by bringing together citizens and partner agencies to find solutions to local problems.
All groups within the community should accept that they must earn their place in society.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	All groups within the community should accept that they must earn their place in society.
Consideration should be given to developing within existing areas of development.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is considered in the Development Strategy of the Issues and Options document.	No – but this is an option.	Yes	None
Local community identity needs to be encouraged in order to foster an inclusive rather than divisive atmosphere.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Distinctiveness is included in the Issues and Options document.	Yes	Yes	None





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There should be a single building within the Borough that is able to provide office space as well as a base for a range of community groups, similar to that offered by Worcester consolidated offices.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	Mixed uses are advocated in National Planning policy.	No	Yes	None
There is the need for a centre to accommodate local branches of training organisations.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a matter for the Core Strategy.	No	Yes	None
Activities should be put in place for all members of the community. More facilities are required in the Borough.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07 and Local Democracy Week 15/10/07	This is not a spatial planning matter. Leisure facilities will be assessed as part of the Retail Needs Assessment.	No	Yes	None
Community schools projects should be developed.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Community schools projects should be developed.



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Community cohesion projects should be developed in cooperation with local neighbourhood groups, church groups, voluntary services and children's schemes.	State of the Borough Conference 18/06/07	This is not a spatial planning matter.	No	No	Community cohesion projects should be developed in cooperation with local neighbourhood groups, church groups, voluntary services and children's schemes.

## Conclusion

This document has set out the outcome of informal consultation used to inform the Issues and Options paper. The document has been comprised from suggestions made by elected members, relevant stakeholders and members of the public, informing the Issues and Options document. The document provides an officer discussion with regard to the issue raised at panel meetings and recommendation about whether or not the issue were to be dealt with in the Issues and Options paper. The suggestions collated are considered to significantly add to the Issues and Options document, and also highlight other issues that can be dealt with through the LDF process or other by other services of the Borough Council.