

Allocations – Carried Forward Note

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Introduction

This note has been produced to clarify how the Council has treated land allocations carried forward from the existing adopted Telford and Wrekin Local Plan (2011-31) (“the Adopted Plan”) to the Telford and Wrekin Local Plan (2020 – 2040) (“the Examination Plan”). The carried forward allocations are (“the Carried Forward Allocations”):

Ref	Address	Size (ha)	Housing Yield
H13	Lawley West	13.82ha	250
E7	Hortonwood 35	0.86	
E8	Hortonwood 50	1.39	
E9	Hortonwood 60	3.32	
E14	Land at Telford International Rail Freight	2.48	
E17	Telford Way	3.13	
E23	Halesfield 24	1.97	
E25	Halesfield 15	1.46	

The only carried forward housing allocation is housing site H13 Lawley West which now has a live planning application (TWC/2025/0022) for outline consent and has a resolution to grant subject to completion of a s.106 agreement.

All existing employment allocations to be carried forward into the new Local Plan benefit from Section 7 (1) consent under the New Towns Act 1981 and section 6(1) of the New Towns Act 1965. This was confirmed within the Inspectors report from the adopted Local Plan (paragraph 105, page 25)¹, a copy of which can be made available. A Section 7 (1) permission was granted by the Secretary of State in perpetuity.

The Employment Land Delivery Paper (TW03, page 17) at 6.12 lists “*employment allocations carried forward to the emerging Local Plan*”, for clarity that list is actually made up of the Carried Forward Allocations and employment sites which were allocated in the Adopted Plan and now benefit from an express grant of planning permission under the 1990 Act which contribute to the supply of employment land for the purposes of the Examination Plan.

All of the Carried Forward Allocations are included in the Policies Map of the Examination Plan (CD02) and are therefore already part of the Examination Plan as allocated sites. The Council does not consider that any amendments are required as

¹ [report on the examination of the twlp 2011 2031 and mm appendix.pdf](#)

these sites have always been proposed as part of the Examination Plan and have been appropriately assessed.

How the carried forward allocations have been treated in the plan making process

It has been clear throughout the Examination Plan preparation process that allocations (in this case employment allocations) that had not yet been developed would be carried forward into the Examination Plan. These sites had already been subject to consultation, supported by appropriate evidence as part of the Adopted Plan, confirmed by the Inspector and adopted by Full Council.

Integrated Impact Appraisal Report

The carrying forward of the existing allocations (the Carried Forward Allocations) was assessed as part of the IIA process.

In terms of spatial options

The most relevant paragraph to note is **5.3.4 (Page 55) of CD06**, which sets out the assumptions that underpin the strategic options appraisals. 5.3.4 (Page 52) of the Interim Report (PD10) includes the exact same assumptions.

“Committed growth (current permissions) is presumed to form a part of the ‘baseline position’ (i.e. likely to come forward regardless of the Plan review. Therefore, the focus of the appraisal will be on additional / residual growth (though account will be taken of the impact this growth will have alongside committed growth).”

There are examples throughout the detailed appraisals in Appendix B that pertain to this.

In terms of the full plan appraisal undertaken at Reg 19

Further examples of how committed growth (including the carried forward site allocations) have been considered in the full plan appraisal at Reg 19 stage are set out below **(all taken from CD06, Appendix F)**.

"Whilst sites are unlikely to have any significant effects individually, cumulatively, growth at committed and allocated sites has the potential to affect the nearby protected Midland Meres & Mosses/Aqualate Mere (Ramsar, National Nature Reserve and SSSI)." Page 303

"However, 712 is a committed site and site 701 is adjacent to a recent housing development. It is assumed that the potential impacts on groundwater were explored

*and resolved through these schemes, and that further impacts are unlikely to be significant as a result of site 701." **Page 308***

*Site 320 is a greenfield site located on the periphery of the Telford urban area. It is not constrained by any designated heritage assets or local features of interest. There is a listed farmhouse 800m to the east, but a large area of open space would remain between the development and so effects on setting are considered unlikely (besides, this site is already committed). **Page 317***

Policies Map

The existing allocations to be carried forward were included on the **policies map** for each stage of consultation draft plan (Reg 18) (PD11 and PD12) and publication plan (Reg 19)(CD02 and CD03). In addition to this they have also been included on the submission version of the policies map. For ease of reference we have attached to this document an annotated version of the submission version of the policies map (CD02 and CD03) which highlights which sites are existing allocations being carried forward.

Local Plan iterations

Further to the above, the inclusion of the carried forward allocations was made clear at each iteration of the policies map as illustrated by the following references. These were included within Examination Plan preparation documents that have been subject to consultation:

Issues & Options (PD13), paragraph 6.2.1 states that; *these will be carried forward as part of the Council's land supply.*

Draft Plan (PD09), paragraph 3.31, page 31 refers to existing employment land supply which includes the carried forward allocations.

Policy EC1 part 1.a page 57 states; *Development proposals for industrial, storage and distribution uses will be supported in SEAs, including existing allocations carried forward.*

Publication Plan (CD01), Policy EC1 part 1.a page 69 states; *Development proposals for industrial, storage and distribution uses will be supported in SEAs, including existing allocations carried forward.*

Paragraph 8.10, page 70 states; *Existing employment allocations adopted in the Telford and Wrekin Local Plan (2018) that have not yet been built out will be carried forward as part of the Councils employment land supply.*

The above points in the publication version remain the same in the **submission version** of the Examination Plan, the only change being paragraph 8.10 becomes paragraph 8.9 due to consequential re-numbering.

Consideration of carried forward allocations under the new Local Plan

Following adoption of the Examination Plan the Carried Forward Allocations would be considered under the appropriate development management policies. The Council do not consider it necessary to include any site-specific criteria for these sites.

Conclusion

The carrying forward of existing allocations has always been part of the Examination Plan proposal. This was made clear at each stage of the process and has been subject to consultation. The sustainability implications of this approach have been appropriately considered through the IIA. The Carried Forward Allocations are included in the submission version of the Policies Map and would be treated as allocations under the Examination Plan and any applications on those sites would be assessed against the relevant development management policies in the Examination Plan. The Council do not consider it necessary to include any site-specific criteria for these sites.

Accordingly, the Council is content that existing allocations are included in the Examination Plan and the basis for their inclusion is sound.