

Matter 12: Implementation and Monitoring		
Issue 12 : Is the monitoring framework of the Plan effective and consistent with national policy?		
<b>Implementation and Monitoring</b>	1. Is the proposed Monitoring Framework set out in document HO14 appropriate and robust?	<p>Yes. The Council considers that the Monitoring Framework set out in document H014 is appropriate and robust and complies with the legal requirements of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (section 35: Authority Monitoring Reports).</p> <p>The monitoring framework (H014) sets out a range of indicators to monitor performance. These are identified on a policy-by-policy basis, with those policies linking to the objectives set out in the Local Plan. The monitoring framework identifies targets for all indicators and the data source to assess them, demonstrating a robust monitoring framework.</p> <p>The Council also consider that the proposed monitoring is proportionate and pragmatic to the Councils ability to monitor for the purposes of the Annual Monitoring Report with the resources available to the Council.</p> <p>The performance against the relevant indicators and targets will be reported annually through the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR). Where evidence indicates policies are not performing as well as intended, the Council will consider if changes to policy or strategy are required and then pursue that as appropriate.</p>
	2. Are the proposed indicators and targets appropriate and measurable? Are any others necessary for monitoring to ensure the soundness of the Plan?	<p>Yes, the Council believe that the targets are appropriate and measurable. The Council has set a range of indicators which have been informed by the IIA and other evidence base studies. They have been designed to be ‘SMART’ (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Timely), and, where possible, tie into existing data collection to reduce the burden of monitoring and achieve a consistent approach.</p>

		No other key indicators have been identified as necessary, but there is flexibility to add new indicators into the AMR at any time should reporting requirements, circumstances or targets change.
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