

Authority Monitoring Report

2016/17

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Introduction

This is the Council's thirteenth Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) (formerly Annual Monitoring Report). Previous publications are available at www.sefton.gov.uk/AMR. This is the second AMR that has been published following the adoption of the Sefton Local Plan (April 2017) and second AMR that uses the monitoring framework set out at Appendix 3 of the Local Plan.

As this is only the second AMR using the new monitoring framework the trend based information is limited for this year. As the monitoring framework becomes established the trend based information will be built up and progress will be much easier to be determined.

Nevertheless this AMR still provides a substantial overview of the progress with many of the strategic aims of the Local Plan and the policies that seek to secure them. This is despite the fact that many Local Plan policies will not yet have been fully implemented.

The AMR is split into a number of distinct sections.

Section A looks at direct impact indicators. These are those indicators that the implementation of planning policies will have a direct impact on.

Section B covers indirect indicators. These are indicators that the implementation of planning policy may influence, but which have a much wider range of influences.

Section C reports on the progress the Council has made on its duty to cooperate.

Section D reports on the progress with the Local Development Scheme and how we are progressing with our Planning Documents.

Section E reports on progress on Neighbourhood Plans.

Section F reports on progress on Infrastructure Working Group Recommendations

SECTION A

DIRECT IMPACT INDICATORS

1. Meeting Sefton's Needs

Indicator 1

Five Year Housing Supply Position

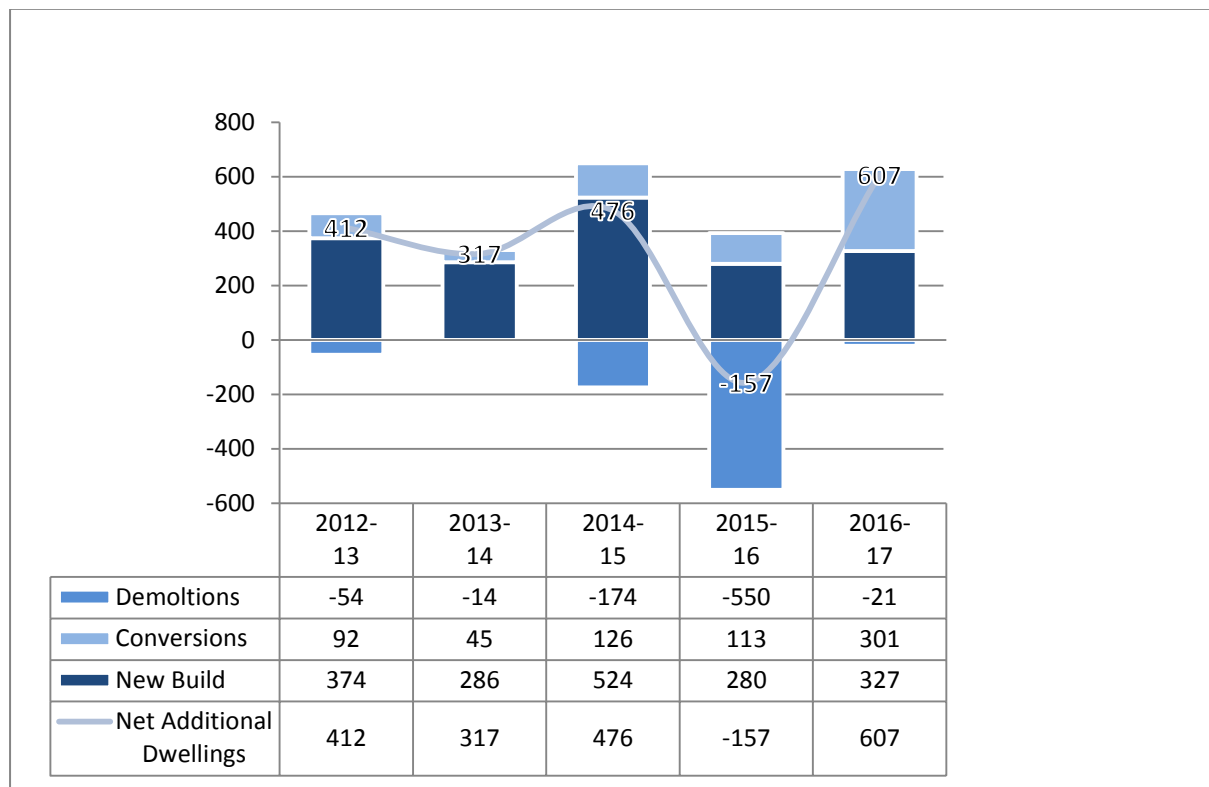
As of 31st March 2017 the Council has a 4.0 years housing supply. Information on this can be found within the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment.

Actions: Continue to contact developers of allocated sites to determine likely delivery rates.

Indicator 2

Net additional dwellings (total/on allocated sites)

During 2016/17 there were 607 net additional dwellings in Sefton. This is a significant improvement on previous years. This is partially due to a large number of conversions and fewer demolitions than previous years.



There were 23 homes completed on the Local Plan housing allocations during 2016/17 (4 on Aintree Curve MN2.35, and 19 on St Joan of Arc School site MN2.45). There were two demolitions on a housing allocation site (on Sandbrook Road MN2.10) to give a net increase of 21 homes on Local Plan allocated sites.

Actions: Continue to contact developers of allocated sites to determine likely delivery rates.

Indicator 3
Land available for (general) employment (ha)

The following table sets out the current land available for employment use in Sefton. The vast majority of land available for employment use in Sefton is on allocated sites.

	B general (ha)	B1 (ha)	B2 (ha)	B8 (ha)	Grand Total (ha)
Allocated sites with no Planning Permission	19.85	-	-	-	19.85
Allocated sites with Planning Permission	19.71	1.00	-	-	20.71
Sites in Primary Industrial Areas with Planning Permission	0.51	0.16	4.29	-	4.96
Totals	40.07	1.16	4.29	-	45.52

Actions: None at the moment. The Local Plan has identified additional sites for employment use and this will be reflected in future AMRs. The required five years supply of employment land is expected to be not less than 22.66ha.

Indicator 4
Employment land lost to non-employment uses

The following planning applications were approved in Sefton during 2016/17, resulting in the loss of employment land/units. The total area of employment use lost was 10.72ha. The largest site (the Powerhouse Site) was an employment site in the residential area.

Land Type	Application	Site Address	Description of Development	Previous Use Class	New Use Class	Area Ha
MN2 Employment Allocation	DC/2015/01158	Switch Car Dunning's Bridge Road, Netherton, Bootle, L30 6YW	Demolition of warehouse to allow extension to car sales premises	B	SUI	3.14
ED3 Existing Employment Area	DC/2016/02477	3 Aintree Road, Bootle, L20 9DL	Change of use of former industrial unit to leisure	B1C	D2	0.04
ED3 Existing Employment Area	S/2013/0130	Rampworks 1-3 Leckwith Road, Netherton, Bootle, L30 6UE	Change of use of former industrial unit to leisure	B2	D2	0.53
ED3 Existing Employment	DC/2016/01473	Unit 7 Leckwith Road,	Change of use of former industrial unit to	B2	D1	0.27

Land Type	Application	Site Address	Description of Development	Previous Use Class	New Use Class	Area Ha
Area		Netherton, Bootle, L30 6UF	training centre			
ED3 Existing Employment Area	DC/2016/02052	Unit 19 Maritime Enterprise Park, Atlas Road Bootle, L20 4DY	Change of use of former industrial unit to training centre	B2	D1	0.04
ED3 Existing Employment Area	DC/2016/00099	Unit 17 The Box Works Annexe, Heysham Road Netherton, L30 6UR	Change of use of former industrial unit to leisure	B8	D2	0.04
ED3 Existing Employment Area	DC/2016/00337	Unit 31 Slaidburn Industrial Estate, Slaidburn Crescent Southport, PR9 9YF	Change of use of former industrial unit to leisure	B8	D2	0.24
ED3 Existing Employment Area	DC/2016/01984	Units 21, 22 And 24 Maritime Enterprise Park Atlas Road Bootle L20 4DY	Change of use of former industrial unit to training centre	B	D1	0.11
ED2 Town, District and Local Centre	DC/2016/01319	33-35 Botanic Road And 23 Manor Road Southport, PR9 7NE	Change of use from shop/office to drinking establishment	B1A	A4	0.02
HC3 Primarily Residential Area	S/2013/0584	Land at Powerhouse Site, Hoggs Hill Lane, Formby	Housing development on former industrial site	B2	C3	5.08
HC3 Primarily Residential Area	DC/2014/00906	45A Everton Road, Southport	Housing development on former industrial site	B2	C3	0.09
HC3 Primarily Residential Area	DC/2014/01270	Land rear of 58-60 Brook Street, Southport	Housing development on former industrial site	B2	C3	0.35
HC3 Primarily Residential Area	S/2010/0400	Land rear of 1 Cambridge Avenue, Crosby	Housing development on former builders yard	B8	C3	0.03
HC3 Primarily Residential Area	DC/2014/01743	6 to 8 Lime Grove, Bootle	Housing development on former industrial site	B8	C3	0.17
HC3 Primarily Residential Area	DC/2014/01022	Ainsdale Car Sales, Mill Road, Southport	Housing development on former vehicle sales site	SUI	C2	0.33
HC3 Primarily Residential Area	DC/2015/00068	3-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR	Change of use from a car showroom to a funeral directors	SUI	A1	0.13

Land Type	Application	Site Address	Description of Development	Previous Use Class	New Use Class	Area Ha
MN7 Greenbelt	S/2013/1076	345 Southport Road, Lydiate	Demolition of warehouse to allow housing development	B8	C3	0.11

Actions: None. The Council retains a 5 year supply of employment land.

Indicator 5

Land available for port related employment

The Liverpool City Region Combined Authority (i.e. Halton, Knowsley, Liverpool, St Helens, Sefton, Wirral) and West Lancashire) has produced a draft Strategic Housing and Employment Land Market Assessment (SHELMA). This also considers the need for land for Port-related employment (i.e. large scale B8 logistics and warehousing development). The draft SHELMA identifies a need of between 308 and 397ha of land required to 2037 for large scale B8 warehousing. This figure is for the City Region as a whole and has not been disaggregated.

A supporting study to the SHELMA looked at available large scale employment sites in the study area. This identified that Sefton had two sites that potentially could accommodate strategic B8 development. These sites were Land East of Maghull and the Dunnings Bridge Corridor. Combined these could potentially provide 37.6ha of strategic B8 Port related development. However, the study acknowledges these sites may accommodate other forms of employment uses and other development.

Actions: Continue to contribute to the final SHELMA and any subsequent additional work.

Indicator 6

Floorspace (m²) developed for employment (by type (B1, B2, B8) and location)

During 2016/17 there was a total of 13,078m² of floorspace developed for employment use. This was higher than the previous year and the second highest since 2010/11.

	B1A	B1C	B2	B8	B gen	Sui Generis	Total
2010/11	598	978		525	8070		10171
2011/12			1740				1740
2012/13	212	372		500		418	1502
2013/14	4323					1200	5523
2014/15	270			24234	2158		26662
2015/16	506		2531	726		2605	6368
2016/17	2625		3308	6425		720	13078

The 13,078m² of employment floorspace during 2016/17 was distributed across Sefton as follows: Southport 2,625m², Bootle/Netherton 4,028m², Formby 6,425m².

Actions: None at the moment. The allocation of further sites for employment in the Local Plan will help improve the delivery of employment development in Sefton.

Indicator 7
Number of jobs (full-time equivalent) created on employment sites

The table below shows the number of jobs created on employment sites due to development. This is based on the information supplied by the applicant. During 2016/17 the information provided shows that 110 full time posts were created (and 4 part time posts).

ADDRESS	PROPOSAL	Site area	Full time jobs equivalent	Part time jobs
Spotmix, Bootle L20 6QA	Erection of a single storey extension to the existing waste transfer station building and use of the surrounding area for storage of recovered products	0.027	3	
Spotmix, Bootle L20 6QA	Erection of an extension to the existing steel frame building, installation of conveyor and screener plant and relocation of covered storage area	0.432	(no jobs info provided for this second development on spotmix)	
Land Adjoining 25A Moss Side Formby Liverpool L37 OAE	Change of use of the site from a horticultural nursery (an agricultural use) to a storage use (Class B8)	1.1883		2
Southport Magistrates Court Albert Road Southport PR9 0LJ	Change of use from D1 [magistrates court] to B1 [offices] including the formation of new windows and door to the rear elevation and a terrace on the rear flat roof area	0.2166	33	2
11 Bridle Way Netherton Bootle L30 4UA	Change of use of the premises from timber warehouse to cutting of steel reinforcement processing and manufacture - B2 use	0.3684	10	
Switch Car Dunnings Bridge Road Netherton Bootle L30 6YW	Refurbishment and extension to existing building involving alterations to the elevations and a valeting bay and paint shop building to the rear after demolition of existing warehouse building	3.1439	64	

Actions: Continue to monitor job outputs from completed employment development. Through the pre-application process advise that the Council's preference for employment development is those that maximise job outputs.

Indicator 8**Approvals in the Green Belt and % inappropriate**

During 2016/17 there were 34 approvals in the Green Belt. All but three of these were considered 'appropriate' in accordance with paragraphs 89 and 90 of the NPPF. The relevant sections of paragraphs 89 or 90 that have been used to justify the approval is provided in the table below. The other three approvals were considered to demonstrate 'very special circumstances' that outweighed any harm to the Green Belt.

Application	Address	Proposal	Appropriate?
DC/2015/00513	Barnes Farm, Tithebarn Lane, Melling, Liverpool, L31 1EQ	Erection of 4 dwellinghouses with associated car parking, landscaping and boundary treatments after demolition of existing barns and outbuildings and conversion of building to form 2 dwellinghouses	Yes Paragraph 89(6) & 90(4)
DC/2015/01265	Land At Tip Field South Of North Moss Lane, North Moss Lane, Formby	Installation of ground mounted photovoltaic (PV) solar arrays to provide 5.62 MWp generation capacity together with transformer stations; internal access track; electricity sub-station; landscaping; fencing; security measures; access gate; and ancillary	No Very Special Circumstances demonstrated
DC/2015/01266	Land At Jemmy Carr Field North Of Downholland Brook, North Moss Lane, Formby	Installation of ground mounted photovoltaic (PV) solar arrays to provide 5 MWp generation capacity together with transformer stations; internal access track; electricity sub-station; landscaping; fencing; security measures; access gate; and ancillary in	No Very Special Circumstances demonstrated
DC/2015/01595	Barton Mere, Southport Old Road, Formby, L37 0AW	Conversion of stable to dwelling and associated store to include home office, garage, store and stables involving alterations to the elevations	Yes Paragraph 90(4)
DC/2015/02079	Oak Lea Racing Stables, Southport Road, Lydiate, L31 4HH	Erection of five detached dwellinghouses after demolition of existing buildings	Yes Paragraph 89(6)
DC/2016/00006	Land Adjacent The Paddock North Of Church House, Mairscough Lane, Lydiate	Erection of six detached dwellinghouses after demolition of the existing buildings on site	Yes Paragraph 89(6)
DC/2016/00298	158 Spencers Lane, Melling, Liverpool, L31 1HD	Erection of a conservatory at the rear of the dwellinghouse.	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/00401	Ravens Bank, Moss Side, Formby, Liverpool, L37 0AE	Erection of one detached two storey dwellinghouse following demolition of the existing dwellinghouse.	Yes Paragraph 89(4)
DC/2016/00555	Spurriers Lane, Melling, Liverpool, L31 1BA	Erection of a control kiosk, including a revised site access and permanent hardstanding area	No Very Special Circumstances demonstrated
DC/2016/00683	Scotch Piper Inn, Southport Road, Lydiate, Liverpool, L31 4HD	Erection of a single storey extension at the rear after demolition of existing rear extension and detached shed	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/00983	6 Back O The Town Lane, Ince Blundell, Liverpool, L38 6JJ	Alterations to the existing garage roof to raise the height and pitch to form a habitable space	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/01066	Lunt Farm, 201 Lunt Lane, Sefton, L29 7WL	Alterations and extension of vacant Old Lunt Farm Cottage to form dwelling, conversion and extension of vacant Old Lunt Farm Barn to form dwelling and subdivision of site into three plots. (Alternative to DC/2015/00129 refused 12/02/2016)	Yes Paragraph 89(3)

Application	Address	Proposal	Appropriate?
DC/2016/01121	Land To The Rear Of, 22-26 Moor Lane, Ince Blundell, Liverpool, L38 6JQ	Retrospective use of the land to the rear of 22-26 Moor Lane for ancillary purposes in connection with 24 Moor Lane and erection of a detached outbuilding.	Yes Paragraph 89(3) & 89(6)
DC/2016/01177	Hartleys Nurseries, Old Lane, Lydiate	Erection of a single storey extension to the existing garden centre building	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/01190	East Lodge Farm, East Lane, Ince Blundell, Liverpool, L29 3EA	Use of building as a veterinary facility to be used in conjunction with the existing rescue centre	Yes Paragraph 90(4)
DC/2016/01249	8 Bedford Avenue, Melling, Liverpool, L31 1ES	Retention of a single storey extension to the side of the dwellinghouse	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/01278	8 Alexandra Road, Formby, Liverpool, L37 2ED	Erection of a part single part two storey extension to the rear of the dwelling, incorporating a juliette balcony	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/01279	Brooklands Farm, Brewery Lane, Melling	Continuation of use of buildings for DIY livery and riding school and for a base for grounds maintenance business	Yes Paragraph 90(4)
DC/2016/01308	Moss Side Farm Workshop, Moss Side, Formby, Liverpool, L37 0AF	Siting of a detached building to be used for lambing and hay storage after demolition of existing lamb and hay store building	Yes Paragraph 89(1)
DC/2016/01337	Formby Hall Golf Club, Southport Old Road, Formby, Liverpool, L37 0AB	Retrospective application submitted under Section 73A(2)(a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the change of use of the residential block of the Formby Hall Golf Resort and Spa from a PGA Residential Academy (Use Class C2) to a hotel with anc	Yes Paragraph 90(4)
DC/2016/01344	White House Farm, 27A Little Crosby Road, Little Crosby	Conversion of the existing vacant farm building to form two residential units	Yes Paragraph 90(4)
DC/2016/01457	124 Carr House Lane, Ince Blundell, Liverpool, L38 1QQ	Erection of a detached garage after removal of existing shed	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/01520	Pear Tree Inn, Prescott Road, Melling, Liverpool, L31 1AP	Construction of a new entrance porch and layout of an external seating area to the rear after demolition of the existing garage, including new fencing to roadside elevation and erection of play equipment	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/01596	8 Shireburn Road, Formby, L37 1LR	Construction of 2.25 metre high gates/piers in conjunction with additional vehicular entrance access/driveway, installation of a rear access door to garage and erection of an open porch/canopy to the utility room on the north elevation	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/01748	St Marys College Sports Ground, Little Crosby Road, Little Crosby	Continuation of the siting of two steel storage containers for storage of maintenance machinery	Yes Paragraph 89(2)
DC/2016/01891	18 Delph Road, Little Crosby, Liverpool, L23 4TU	Erection of a two storey detached dwelling on land adjacent to 18 Delph Lane	Yes Paragraph 89(6)
DC/2016/01922	Brooklands Farm, Brewery Lane, Melling, Liverpool, L31 1EZ	Erection of 11 detached two storey dwellinghouses after demolition of existing buildings	Yes Paragraph 89(6)
DC/2016/02010	66 Brewery Lane, Melling, Liverpool, L31 1EU	Layout of a horse riding arena (Menage) on land to the rear of 66 Brewery Lane, Melling	Yes Paragraph 89(2)
DC/2016/02168	End Cottage, 4 Mount Cottages, Prescott Road, Melling, Liverpool, L31 1AR	Retention of the raising of the rear garden area by 450mm	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2016/02221	Rose Farm, Lunt Lane, Sefton, Liverpool, L29 7WL	Conversion of existing two barns to form two residential dwellings involving single storey extensions and alterations to the elevations after demolition of existing agricultural outbuildings	Yes Paragraph 90(4)

Application	Address	Proposal	Appropriate?
DC/2016/02298	Hove To , Sandy Lane, Hightown, L38 3RD	Erection of one dwellinghouse after demolition of the existing dwelling	Yes Paragraph 89(4)
DC/2016/02384	Formby Hall Golf Club, Southport Old Road, Formby, Liverpool, L37 0AB	Extension and alterations to existing swimming pool hall, formation of new staff entrance door and enclosure of existing driving range bay to form teaching bay	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2017/00025	The Pheasant Inn, 16 Moss Lane, Hightown, L38 3RA	Installation of a glazed screen to customer patio area and box screen to flat roof to hide existing duct work	Yes Paragraph 89(3)
DC/2017/00026	Royal Birkdale Golf Club, Waterloo Road, Birkdale, Southport, PR8 2LX	Construction of a golf buggy store and automated trolley dispenser to the north and west elevations of the club house	Yes Paragraph 89(2)

Actions: Nothing at this stage as development is largely appropriate. Policy Team will continue to advise on applications in the Green Belt to ensure inappropriate development is avoided unless there are very special circumstances that would indicate otherwise.

Indicator 9 Approvals in Safeguarded Land and % inappropriate

The emerging Local Plan has allocated two areas of safeguarded land (Lambshear Lane, Lydiat and Land adjacent to Ashworth Hospital, Maghull). These are sites between the edge of the Green Belt and the urban area that have been removed from the Green Belt to meet longer term development needs. There were no approvals in the Safeguarded Land during 2016/17.

Actions: Nothing at this stage. Continue to monitor.

2. Economic development and regeneration

Indicator 10 Approvals in Port and Maritime Zone and % inappropriate

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Appropriate?
DP/2016/00025	ADM Milling Ltd, Royal Seaforth Dock, Seaforth, Liverpool, L21 4PG	Erection of a single storey extension to the Mill building; widening of the road within the site; installation of an additional weighbridge at the site entrance and reconfiguration of the site entrance	YES
DP/2017/00028	256 Derby Road, Bootle, L20 8LJ	Change of use from a bar (Class A4 - Drinking Establishments) to a hot food takeaway (Class A5 - Hot Food Takeaways) with alterations to frontage	YES

Both applications were appropriate development in the Port area.

Actions: Nothing at this stage. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 11

Improved access to the port consulted on/approved/implemented

Public consultation on the preferred port access option was undertaken between January and February 2017. This was led by Highways England.

Progress as at January 2018:

Consulted on	✓
Approved	✗
Implemented	✗

Actions: This is being led by Highways England.

Indicator 12

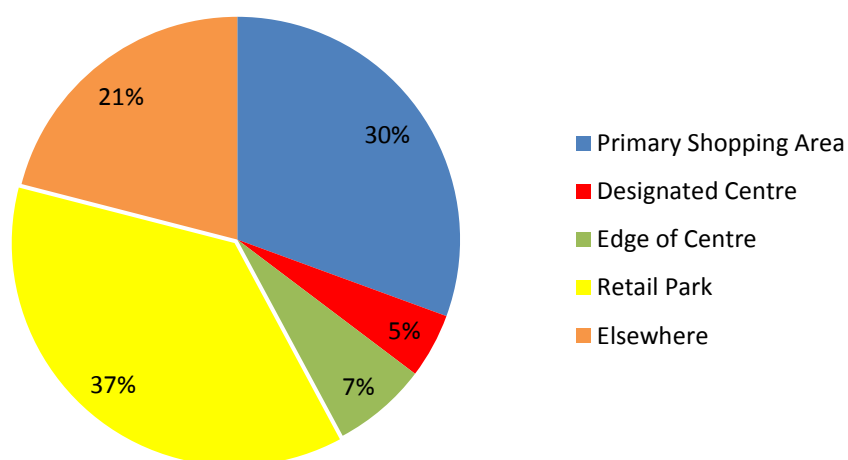
Number and % of approved retail/leisure/other town centre uses development in

- designated centres (Primary Shopping Areas)
- edge of centre
- retail parks
- elsewhere

During 2016/17 there were 40 approvals for town centre uses in Sefton. Twelve of these were outside either a designated centre or edge of centre site.

Use Classes	Primary Shopping Areas	Designated Centres	Edge of Centre	Retail Park	Elsewhere	Total
	Count (Floor space)	Count (Floor space)	Count (Floor space)	Count (Floor space)	Count (Floor space)	
A use Retail	9 3,580m ² (30.6% of retail floorspace in PSA)	5 551m ² (4.7%)	7 803m ² (6.9%)	3 4,314m ² (36.9%)	6 2,457m ² (21.0%)	30 11,705m ²
B1 use Office	0	1 104m ² (100%)	0	0	0	1 104m ²
D use Leisure	0	1 465m ² (8.3%)	6 4,493m ² (80.2%)	0	2 642m ² (11.7%)	9 5,600m ²

Whilst the majority of schemes for retail uses were in or within the edge of a designated centre, in terms of floorspace the majority of retail development (58%) was out of centre (or edge of centre). The graph below shows the locations of retail development approvals during 2016/17.



Actions: The majority of retail uses were approved in out-of-centre locations. The Council are updating in Town and District Health checks in 2018. These will determine the impact out-of-centre retail development (and other issues) on Sefton’s key centres and set out options for their protection/improvement.

Indicator 13 Approvals by type in locations listed in Policy ED5 ‘Tourism’

Policy ED5 of the Local Plan lists four locations that are strategic tourism locations in the borough. These are:

- Southport Seafront and Southport Central Area
- Crosby Coastal Park
- Aintree Racecourse
- Adjacent to the Leeds and Liverpool canal

During 2016/17 there were **23** approvals within the Southport Seafront and Southport Central Area. One application was for a 96 bedroom hotel. Another was for the retention of a Ferris wheel at Pleasureland amusement park. The other approvals were not directly related to tourism but two were for restaurants which support tourism.

During 2016/17 there was **one** approval within Crosby Coastal Park which was not related to tourism. There were no approvals at Aintree Racecourse. There were **two** applications approved adjacent to the Leeds and Liverpool canal, neither which were related to tourism.

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment
DC/2015/01954	Former Sunnymede School 4 Westcliffe Road Birkdale Southport PR8 2BN	Conversion and refurbishment of existing listed building to create six self-contained apartments, erection of seven new build dwelling houses in two terraces, access works, layout of	Adjacent to ED8 Southport Seafront

		car and cycle parking and hard and soft landscaping works after demolition of the former headmaster's house, temporary school buildings, elements of the listed building and outbuildings	
DC/2016/00424	153 Eastbank Street Southport PR8 1EE	Change of use of part of the existing ground floor from retail to C4 residential use and use of the upper floors as C4 residential plus alterations to the elevations and a dormer extension to the rear	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/00485	7 Albert Road Southport PR9 0LP	Change of use to a children's care home	Adjacent to ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/00492	20 Derby Road Southport PR9 0TY	Change of use to 5 self-contained flats involving a ground floor extension at the rear and alterations to the elevations	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/00556	509-515 Lord Street Southport PR9 0AY	Conversion of the first, second and third floors into nine self-contained residential apartments including; installation of a new residents' access door to the side (Bold Street) elevation and alterations to the elevations	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/00661	Unit 2 Ribble Buildings Garrick Parade Lord Street Southport PR8 1RN	Change of use from A1 (retail) to D2 Use (assembly and leisure) on the ground floor	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/00666	581A Lord Street Southport PR9 0BB	Conversion of existing storeroom/showroom to residential bungalow involving the erection of single storey extensions to the existing building	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/00734	31 Bold Street Southport PR9 0ED	Conversion of existing premises to create five self-contained flats, including a single storey extension to the side/rear	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/00908	The Greenhouses Rotten Row Southport PR8 2BZ	Conversion of part of existing building to a cafe	Within ED8 Southport Seafront

DC/2016/00940	13 Promenade Southport PR8 1QY	Change of use to six self-contained flats involving alterations to the elevations	Adjacent to ED8 Southport Seafront
DC/2016/01120	Southport Pleasureland	Retention of a 40m high observation (ferris) wheel	Within ED8 Southport Seafront
DC/2016/01138	Vincent Hotel 98 Lord Street Southport PR8 1JR	Change of use from a cocktail bar to a restaurant involving the installation of extraction flue and fans to the rear of the premises	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/01225	605 Lord Street Southport PR9 0AN	Prior notification procedure for change of use from office to four residential flats	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/01453	32 Hoghton Street Southport PR9 0PA	Change of use of first floor from a flat to provide additional office accommodation and construction of an enclosed stairwell to the rear	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/01460	Linacre Lane Service Station 58 Linacre Lane Bootle	Redevelopment of the existing petrol filling station comprising: erection of a single storey convenience store with ATM, erection of a new forecourt canopy and pump island and replacement of existing underground storage tanks after demolition of existing kiosk and car wash	Adjacent to Leeds and Liverpool Canal
DC/2016/01538	Bryant House Liverpool Road North Maghull Liverpool L31 2PA	Change of use from Office (B1) to create four self-contained apartments (C3), Café (A3) and Fitness Studio (D2) with material amendments and new openings to external elevations.	Adjacent to Leeds and Liverpool Canal
DC/2016/01671	The Waterfront Promenade Southport	Proposed use of vacant floor space at both plaza (ground floor) and mezzanine level (first floor) for use as class B1A (offices), A2 (financial and professional) and/or class D2 (Leisure) and the creation of a new entrance.	Within ED8 Southport Seafront
DC/2016/01746	16 Nevill Street Southport PR9 0BX	Change of use of retail shop to a hot food takeaway at ground floor only and construction of an extraction flue on the rear elevation	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/01779	Land At Warren Court Birkdale	Erection of 10 semi-detached dwelling houses	Adjacent to ED8 Southport Seafront

	Southport PR8 2DF		
DC/2016/01844	26A Virginia Street Southport PR8 6RZ	Change of use of warehouse to personal training studio to be used in conjunction with the existing gym at 30a Virginia Street Southport	Adjacent to ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/01977	1 And 1A Seabank Road 589 And First Floor Of 591,593, 595, 597 And 599 Lord Street Southport PR9 0AN	Change of use from an existing A1 (retail, sale of cold food for consumption) to A4 (Drinking Establishment) at 1 and 1a Seabank Road on the ground floor only to be used in conjunction with existing property at 589 Lord Street along with external alterations and change of use of first floor of 1 Seabank Road, 591, 593, 595, 597 and 599 Lord Street to a C1 use as a hotel	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/02036	365 Lord Street Southport PR8 1NH	Change of use of the second and third floor from offices to 2 self-contained flats involving the erection of railings to the rear second floor balcony and internal and external alterations	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/02348	1B Castle Street Southport PR9 0NR	Change of use from light industrial premises to two dwellings and the erection of a single storey extension to the side	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/02438	Marble Place Southport PR8 1DF	Erection of a 96 bedroomed hotel and replacement retail unit on the ground floor after partial demolition and remodelling of the existing shopping centre	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2016/02459	Sundene Lodge The Esplanade Waterloo	Conversion of existing basement area into a one bedroom flat	Adjacent to ED5 Crosby Coastal Park
DC/2017/00043	3 Chapel Street Southport PR8 1AE	Conversion of single apartment on upper floors to create two self-contained apartments	Within ED7 Southport Central Area
DC/2017/00058	377-385 Lord Street Southport PR9 0AG	Change of use from A1 (Retail) to A3 (Food and Drink) comprising: restaurant at ground floor with pavement seating on Lord Street & Nevill Street, additional dining area and kitchen at first floor with storage and staff facilities at second floor. Replacement glazing at ground floor,	Within ED7 Southport Central Area

		removal and replacement of first floor UPVC glazing, refurbishment of second floor glazing and installation of rooftop ventilation systems including extract duct within lightwell	
DC/2017/00071	525 Lord Street Southport PR9 0BB	Alterations to the shop front and change of use of the first and second floors to 3 apartments	Within ED7 Southport Central Area

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 14 ✓

Approvals by in locations listed in Policy ED6 'Regeneration Areas' by type

During 2016/17 the regeneration areas listed in Policy ED6 of the Local Plan the following planning applications were approved:

Use Type	Application	Site Address	Proposal
1.a Regeneration in Bootle – Bootle Central Area			
A1	DC/2016/00905	Land Bounded By St Albans Road And Trinity Road Daniel House Trinity Road Bootle	Erection of a single storey building for mixed use retail (Class A1) and gym (Class D2) with associated service yard, reconfigured car park and minor external works
A1	DC/2016/01745	Lidl 290 Marsh Lane Bootle L20 5BQ	Erection of a single storey extension to the front and external refurbishment of the store involving re-arrangement of the car parking layout, the trolley bays and associated boundary treatments
A5	DC/2016/00750	309-311 Stanley Road Bootle, L20 3LQ	Change of Use from Class A1 Use to Class A3/A5 Use
C3	DC/2016/00505	Daniel House Trinity Road Bootle	Erection of a three storey extension to Daniel House building and alterations to existing building to create additional 27 one bed apartments
C3	DC/2016/00619	Stella Nova Washington Parade	Conversion of retail unit into 8 apartments including alterations to the elevations and

		Bootle, L20 4TQ	increased resident's garden space
1.b (i) Regeneration in Bootle – Regeneration Opportunity Sites – 501- 509 Hawthorne Road			
	None		
1.b (ii) Regeneration in Bootle – Regeneration Opportunity Sites – Former Gasworks Site			
	None		
2.a Regeneration of Centres – Central Southport			
A3	DC/2016/01138	Vincent Hotel 98 Lord Street Southport PR8 1JR	Change of use from a cocktail bar to a restaurant involving the installation of extraction flue and fans to the rear of the premises
A3	DC/2016/00908	The Greenhouses Rotten Row, Southport, PR8 2BZ	Conversion of part of existing building to a cafe
A3	DC/2017/00058	377-385 Lord Street Southport PR9 0AG	Change of use from A1 (Retail) to A3 (Food and Drink) comprising: restaurant at ground floor with pavement seating on Lord Street & Nevill Street, additional dining area and kitchen at first floor with storage and staff facilities at second floor. Replace
A4	DC/2016/01977	1 And 1A Seabank Road 589 And First Floor Of 591,593, 595, 597 And 599 Lord Street Southport PR9 0AN	Change of use from an existing A1 (retail, sale of cold food for consumption) to A4 (Drinking Establishment) at 1 and 1a Seabank Road on the ground floor only to be used in conjunction with existing property at 589 Lord Street along with external alterations
A5	DC/2016/01746	16 Nevill Street Southport PR9 0BX	Change of use of retail shop to a hot food takeaway at ground floor only and construction of an extraction flue on the rear elevation
B1	DC/2016/01453	32 Hoghton Street Southport PR9 0PA	Change of use of first floor from a flat to provide additional office accommodation and construction of an enclosed stairwell to the rear
B1A	DC/2016/01671	The Waterfront Promenade Southport	Proposed use of vacant floor space at both plaza (ground floor) and mezzanine level (first floor) for use as class B1A (offices), A2 (financial and professional) and/or class D2 (Leisure) and the creation of a new entrance.

C1	DC/2016/02438	Marble Place Southport PR8 1DF	Erection of a 96 bedroomed hotel and replacement retail unit on the ground floor after partial demolition and remodelling of the existing shopping centre
C3	DC/2017/00043	3 Chapel Street Southport PR8 1AE	Conversion of single apartment on upper floors to create two self-contained apartments
C3	DC/2016/02348	1B Castle Street Southport PR9 0NR	Change of use from light industrial premises to two dwellings and the erection of a single storey extension to the side
C3	DC/2016/00492	20 Derby Road Southport PR9 0TY	Change of use to 5 self contained flats involving a ground floor extension at the rear and alterations to the elevations
C3	DC/2016/00424	153 Eastbank Street Southport PR8 1EE	Change of use of part of the existing ground floor from retail to C4 residential use and use of the upper floors as C4 residential plus alterations to the elevations and a dormer extension to the rear
C3	DC/2016/02036	365 Lord Street Southport PR8 1NH	Change of use of the second and third floor from offices to 2 self-contained flats involving the erection of railings to the rear second floor balcony and internal and external alterations
C3	DC/2016/00556	509-515 Lord Street Southport PR9 0AY	Conversion of the first, second and third floors into nine self-contained residential apartments including; installation of a new residents' access door to the side (Bold Street) elevation and alterations to the elevations
C3	DC/2017/00071	525 Lord Street Southport PR9 0BB	Alterations to the shop front and change of use of the first and second floors to 3 apartments
C3	DC/2016/00666	581A Lord Street Southport PR9 0BB	Conversion of existing storeroom/showroom to residential bungalow involving the erection of single storey extensions to the existing building
C3	DC/2016/01225	605 Lord Street Southport PR9 0AN	Prior notification procedure for change of use from office to four residential flats
C3	DC/2016/00940	13 Promenade Southport PR8 1QY	Change of use to six self-contained flats involving alterations to the elevations

C3	DC/2016/00734	31 Bold Street Southport PR9 0ED	Conversion of existing premises to create five self-contained flats, including a single storey extension to the side/rear
D2	DC/2016/00661	Unit 2 Ribble Buildings Garrick Parade Lord Street Southport PR8 1RN	Change of use from A1 (retail) to D2 Use (assembly and leisure) on the ground floor
2.b Regeneration of Centres – Crosby Centre			
A3	DC/2016/01266	32 Liverpool Road Crosby Liverpool L23 5SF	Change of use the ground and first floor from retail shop to A3 use (Food and Drink) with outside seating area to the front and air conditioning units to the rear of the premises and a new shop front
C3	DC/2016/01848	First And Second Floor 60-64 Liverpool Road Crosby Liverpool L23 5SJ	Retrospective application to change the use of the first and second floors to eight self-contained flats (Use Class C3) and alterations to the external elevations.
2.c Regeneration of Centres – Maghull Centre			
A1	DC/2016/00268	Central Square Maghull Liverpool L31 0AE	Erection of single storey rear extensions and external alterations to units 12-14 and 15-17, reconfiguration of existing customer car park creating an additional 23 spaces, alterations to service yard layout and associated works
C3	DC/2016/01538	Bryant House Liverpool Road North Maghull Liverpool L31 2PA	Change of use from Office (B1) to create four self-contained apartments (C3), Café (A3) and Fitness Studio (D2) with material amendments and new openings to external elevations.
2.d Regeneration of Centres – Seaforth Centre			
	None		
3 Regeneration of the Dunning's Bridge Road Corridor			
B	DC/2016/00009	Senate Business Park Bridle Road Netherton	Erection of a new B1/B2/B8 facility with associated external works and layout of car parking with access from Farrier's Way
B	DC/2016/00639	Land Corner Of Heysham Road/Leckwith Road Netherton	Erection of a salt barn, a single storey workshop and office building and recycling

		L30 6TU	area
D1	DC/2016/01473	Unit 7 Leckwith Road Netherton Bootle L30 6UF	Change of use from Recycling of Plasterboard (B2) to Training Centre (D1) including internal and external alterations and construction of a training pool and enclosure
D2	DC/2016/00099	Unit 17 The Box Works Annexe Heysham Road Netherton L30 6UR	Change of use from Warehouse (B8) to Assembly and Leisure (D2)
SUI	DC/2017/00197	Unit 4 Challenger House Wakefield Road Netherton Bootle L30 6TZ	Change of use of the premises from storage (Use Class B8) to car sales, motor vehicle repairs and MOT testing station (Sui Generis) including installation of new openings to front elevation

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 15

Approvals in Southport Central Area by type

During 2016/17 there were **19** approvals in Southport Central Area. These were for the following uses:

Restaurant - 2
Hot food takeaway - 1
Offices - 1
Residential – 10
Home in Multiple Occupation – 1
Hotel - 1
Public House – 1
Gym – 1
Mixed use - 1

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A3	DC/2017/00058	377-385 Lord Street Southport PR9 0AG	Change of use from A1 (Retail) to A3 (Food and Drink) comprising: restaurant at ground floor with pavement seating on Lord Street

			& Nevill Street, additional dining area and kitchen at first floor with storage and staff facilities at second floor. Replace
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C4	DC/2016/00424	153 Eastbank Street Southport PR8 1EE	Change of use of part of the existing ground floor from retail to C4 residential use and use of the upper floors as C4 residential plus alterations to the elevations and a dormer extension to the rear
D2	DC/2016/00661	Unit 2 Ribble Buildings Garrick Parade Lord Street Southport PR8 1RN	Change of use from A1 (retail) to D2 Use (assembly and leisure) on the ground floor
Mixed	DC/2016/01671	The Waterfront Promenade Southport	Proposed use of vacant floor space at both plaza (ground floor) and mezzanine level (first floor) for use as class B1A (offices), A2 (financial and professional) and/or class D2 (Leisure) and the creation of a new entrance.

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 16 Approval in Southport Seafront by Type

Application	Site Address	Proposal
DC/2015/01954	Former Sunnymede School 4 Westcliffe Road	Conversion and refurbishment of existing listed building to create six self-contained apartments, erection of seven new

	Birkdale Southport PR8 2BN	build dwelling houses in two terraces, access works, layout of car and cycle parking and hard and soft landscaping works after demolition of the former headmaster's house, temporary school buildings, elements of the listed building and outbuildings
DC/2016/00908	The Greenhouses Rotten Row Southport PR8 2BZ	Conversion of part of existing building to a cafe
DC/2016/00940	13 Promenade Southport PR8 1QY	Change of use to six self-contained flats involving alterations to the elevations
DC/2016/01120	Southport Pleasureland	Retention of a 40m high observation (ferris) wheel
DC/2016/01671	The Waterfront Promenade Southport	Proposed use of vacant floor space at both plaza (ground floor) and mezzanine level (first floor) for use as class B1A (offices), A2 (financial and professional) and/or class D2 (Leisure) and the creation of a new entrance.
DC/2016/01779	Land At Warren Court Birkdale Southport PR8 2DF	Erection of 10 semi-detached dwelling houses

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 17
Approvals in Aintree Racecourse (in the Green Belt Area) by Type

No approvals during 2016/17

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 18
Approvals in Aintree Racecourse (outside the Green Belt Area) by Type

No approvals during 2016/17

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 19
Approvals in Crosby Centre by Type

During 2016/17 there were two approvals within Crosby Town Centre.

Use Type	Application	Site Address	Proposal
A3	DC/2016/01266	32 Liverpool Road Crosby Liverpool L23 5SF	Change of use the ground and first floor from retail shop to A3 use (Food and Drink) with outside seating area to the front and air conditioning units to the rear of the premises and a new shop front
C3	DC/2016/01848	First And Second Floor 60-64 Liverpool Road Crosby Liverpool L23 5SJ	Retrospective application to change the use of the first and second floors to eight self-contained flats (Use Class C3) and alterations to the external elevations.

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 20-23

Total units in Crosby Centre

Total floorspace in Crosby Centre

Reduction in vacancies in Crosby Centre

Number of National Retailers in Crosby Centre

The Crosby District Centre Health Check was last completed in 31st July 2015.

117 Total units in Crosby District Centre as at 31 July 2015

18,593m² total floorspace in Crosby District Centre as at 31 July 2015

10.3% vacant units in Crosby District Centre as at 31 July 2015

29 National Retailers in Crosby District Centre as at 31 July 2015

Actions: The Council will update the Town and District Health Checks in 2018. This will include Crosby centre which will enable a comparison to 2015 to be taken.

3. Housing and Communities

Indicator 24

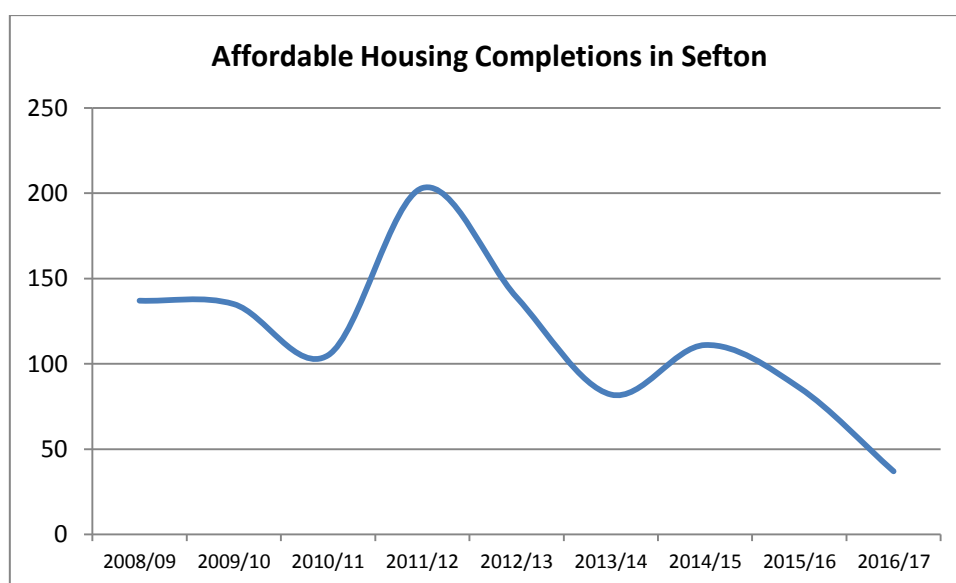
Number of affordable housing completions by type (social rented, affordable rented, intermediate, through section 106) and location.

The following table sets out the completions of affordable housing during 2016/17.

Application	Site Name	Total Capacity	Affordable Type	Affordable Number by Type	Section 106
DC/2014/01743	6 – 8 Lime Grove	14	Social Rent	14	N
DC/2015/01426	64 Sefton Road	19	Affordable Rent	19	N
DC/2015/01458	Vacant Land at Glover Place	4	Social Rent	4	N
				37	

During this period there were 37 affordable housing completions. Of the 37 affordable units that have been completed during 2016/17 none were secured through the section 106 process.

The number of affordable housing completions during 2016/17 was much lower than that completed in previous years. This can partially explained by the change in government funding regimes for affordable housing in the preceding years and uncertainty on the approach to starter homes. This period also predates the adoption of the Sefton Local Plan (April 2017) which should significantly boost the provision of affordable homes, including through the section 106 process.



Actions: Robustly apply the affordable housing policy, particularly to Local Plan allocation sites.

Indicator 25 ✓**% of bedspaces that are affordable in approvals for new homes in qualifying schemes (15 homes or more) (total and by settlement)**

Policy HC1 of the Local Plan sets out a requirement that developments of 15 homes of more should provide affordable housing. In Bootle and Netherton the requirement is for 15% of the total scheme (measured by bedspaces) to be provided in affordable homes. Outside Bootle and Netherton the requirement is for 30% of the total scheme (measured by bedspaces) to be provided in affordable homes. During 2016/17 there were 8 approvals on schemes in which the Council's affordable housing requirement is triggered. These are listed below.

Application	Site Name	Total Dwellings	Affordable Dwellings	Total Bedspaces	Total Affordable Bedspaces	Affordable Bedspaces (Social Rent)	Affordable Bedspaces (Affordable Rent)	Intermediate Bedspaces	Affordable Bedspaces (details pending)	Market Bedspaces
Bootle and Netherton										
DC/2015/02160	Land at Orrell Lane, Netherton	28	0	153	0 (0%)	0	0	0	0	153
DC/2016/01092	Z Blocks Site B, Buckley Hill Land, Netherton	26	26	65	65 (100%)	65	0	0	0	0
DC/2016/02302	Z Blocks Site C, Buckley Hill Land, Netherton	31	31	94	94 (100%)	94	0	0	0	0
DC/2016/00255	Ruthven Road TC/Former Beach Rd School, Bootle	35	35	112	112 (100%)	0	112	0	0	0
Total Bootle and Netherton		120	92	424	271 (63.91%)	159	112	0	0	153
Outside Bootle and Netherton										
DC/2015/02194	Land at Leonard Cheshire Home, Formby	34	11	195	55 (28.21%)	0	0	0	55	140
DC/2016/01935	Land at Elizabeth Avenue, Southport	18	18	66	66 (100%)	66	0	0	0	0
DC/2016/01102	Town Lane - David Wilson Homes sch, Southport	89	16	387	71 (18.34%)	0	0	0	71	316
DC/2015/02186	Town Lane - David Wilson Homes sch, Southport	116	21	683	85 (12.44%)	0	0	0	85	598
Total Outside Bootle and Netherton		257	56	1331	277 (20.81%)	66	0	0	211	1054

Actions: Robustly apply the affordable housing policy, particularly to Local Plan allocation sites.

Indicator 26

In developments of 25 homes of more the number and % of homes with:

- 1 or 2 bedrooms
- 3 bedrooms
- 4 bedrooms or more

During 2016/17 there were four schemes approved that included 25 or more houses (excluding wholly affordable housing schemes to which the policy does not apply). This are listed below. This policy does not apply to affordable housing, wholly flatted development or sheltered housing.

Application		1 or2 Bedrooms		3 Bedrooms		4+ Bedrooms		Totals
		No.	%age	No.	%age	No.	%age	No.
DC/2015/02160	Land at Orrell Ln, Netherton	0	0	27	96.4%	1	3.7%	28
DC/2016/00255	Ruthven Rd, Bootle	35	100%	-	-	-	-	35
S/2012/0400	Ph1 Town Ln, Southport	57	64%	32	36%	-	-	89
S/2012/0400	Ph2 Town Ln, Southport	19	16.4%	49	42.2%	48	41.4%	116
Totals		111	41.4%	108	40.3%	49	18.3%	268

The emerging planning policy on housing mix (HC2) requires on schemes of 25 new homes or more that a minimum of 25% of market homes should be 1 or 2 bedrooms and a minimum of 40% should be 3 bedrooms.

The policy was not applied during the period of 2016/17. Whilst overall the total number of homes met the housing mix requirement, none of the individual schemes did. This policy is being applied from the Local Plan adoption in April 2017.

Actions: Nothing at this stage. The policy will be applied and monitored from April 2017.

Indicator 27 ✓

Approvals of older persons housing by type, tenure and settlement (including extra care, sheltered accommodation, nursing homes etc.)

During 2016/17 the following schemes for older people were approved. The total number of units that are within these schemes is 473. This is large increase from the previous year when 132 units were approved in schemes for older people.

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Settlement	Type	Units
DC/2015/01601	Sunshine House 2 Oxford Road Birkdale	Erection of a part three, part four storey building to be used as a specialist care facility comprising 74 bedrooms and 30 supervised apartments with ancillary facilities, associated car parking and landscaping and demolition of the existing building	Southport	Care home	104
DC/2016/00230	Mayflower Industrial Estate Liverpool Road Formby Liverpool L37 6BU	Erection of a part single, part two, part three storey 75 bed care home building, erection of a part single, part three storey block of 22 apartments (for the over 55's), erection of a single storey garage block and associated works following the demolition existing buildings	Formby	Care home	97
DC/2016/00345	105-107 Church Road Formby Liverpool L37 3ND	Erection of a part two and half, part two and part single storey 40-bed residential care home with associated external works and landscaping after demolition of existing car dealership and workshop buildings	Formby	Care home	40
DC/2016/01188	Land To The East Of Damfield Lane Maghull	Erection of a two storey building with mansard roof to be used as a 65 bedroom residential care home with associated car parking and store and sub-station	Maghull & Aintree	Care home	65
DC/2016/01570	Parkhaven Trust Liverpool Road South Maghull	Outline planning application for the erection of a 45 bedroom nursing home after demolition of existing building	Maghull & Aintree	Nursing home	45
DC/2016/01588	1 Pilkington Road Southport PR8 6PD	Change of Use of 1 Pilkington Road to a residential care home, involving the erection of a two storey link extension to the existing care home at 3/5/7 Pilkington Road	Southport	Care home	1
DC/2016/01743	Site Of Former 8 Oxford Road	Erection of a care home comprising of one to five storey's, including the	Southport	Care home	66

	Birkdale	layout of car parking, vehicular access and landscaping (Alternative to DC/2015/01645 withdrawn 5 May 2016)			
DC/2016/02175	Land Off Alexandra Road Southport PR9 9HD	Development of Use Class C2 Residential Accommodation with Care, comprising of apartments for the elderly along with associated landscaping, access roads, car parking, bin stores and services	Southport	Extra care apartments	55

Actions: Nothing at this stage. Sufficient numbers of schemes are currently being approved.

Indicator 28 ✓

In approved schemes of 50 or more dwellings, the % of market homes designed to meet Building Regulation Requirement M4 (2) 'accessible and adaptable dwellings'.

This is a new requirement that has been introduced through the emerging Local Plan and one that has not previously been implemented. This indicator will be monitored from 2017/18.

Actions: Nothing at this stage. Will be monitored in the future.

Indicator 29 ✓

Number of approved custom or self-build homes

The Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 requires that the Council secure sufficient planning permissions to meet the number of requests on the custom and self-build register (see Indicator 30). Whilst the Council currently does not specifically monitor the number of approvals for custom or self-build homes, an analysis of approvals for single dwellings has shown that the following number of approvals can be considered custom or self-build:

1 November 2015 – 31 October 2016	8 homes
1 November 2016 – 31 October 2017	6 homes

Actions: Put in place system to monitor approvals for custom and self-build homes in the future. Identify sites for potential custom or self-build homes.

Indicator 30 ✓

Number of people registered on Sefton's Custom and Self-Build Register

The Sefton Self-Build register was established in April 2016. During the period 1 November 2016 to 31 October 2017 39 individuals added their details to Sefton’s Custom and Self-Build Register. There are now a total of 94 individuals on the Sefton Self Build register.

The Council is currently working to identify sites that may be suitable for self or custom build homes.

Actions: Continue to make available and market the self-build register.

Indicator 31 ✓

Approvals in Primary Residential Area (PRA) that are not residential and inappropriate

During 2016/17 the following non-residential approvals were granted in the PRA. All of these are considered appropriate.

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment
DC/2016/01708	21 Upper Aughton Road Birkdale Southport PR8 5NA	Change of use of the ground floor retail unit to mixed A3 [Restaurant and Cafe] and A5 [Hot Food Takeaway] use; retention of extraction flue at the rear; erection of a single storey rear extension; installation of a new shop front and layout of outside seating area to the front of the premises; use of first floor as a self-contained flat with external staircase to the first floor entrance at rear;	Proposal is on a shopping parade in the residential area so the proposal is considered appropriate.
DC/2016/02210	27 Hesketh Drive Southport PR9 7JG	Retention of use as A1 (shop/retail), A4 (drinking establishment) and A5 (hot food takeaway) on the ground floor only and layout of outdoor seating area	Proposal is on a shopping parade in the residential area so the proposal is considered appropriate.
DC/2016/00485	7 Albert Road Southport PR9 0LP	Change of use to a children's care home	A children’s care home is an appropriate use in the residential area.
DC/2016/01588	1 Pilkington Road Southport PR8 6PD	Change of Use of 1 Pilkington Road to a residential care home, involving the erection of a two storey link extension to the existing care home at 3/5/7 Pilkington Road	A residential care home is an appropriate use in the residential area.

Actions: Nothing at this stage. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 32

Densities in approvals for residential development

Policy HC3 of the Local Plan requires that new residential development should achieve a minimum density of 30dph. During 2016/17 over 70% of residential approvals were at 30 dwellings/hectare or more.

Densities (dwellings/hectare)	0 to 30	30 to 50	over 50
Number of dwellings	179 (29.9%)	290 (48.5%)	129 (21.6%)

Of the approvals that had a density lower than 30 dph, six of these schemes were for 10 homes or more. Five of these were in existing urban areas on constrained sites. The layout of these schemes (and therefore density) was largely dictated by the site shape and prevailing area characteristics. The other scheme, at Brewery Farm, Melling, is in a rural area and a lower density is appropriate.

Actions: Nothing at this stage. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 33

Applications for conversions to Homes in Multiple Occupation (HMO) and the proportions refused/approved

During 2016/17 there were 11 applications for HMOs that were determined. 4 were approved and would result in a total additional supply of 40 bedsits (21 in Southport and 19 in Bootle/Seaforth). A further two were allowed on appeal (both in Bootle) that would result in an additional supply of 43 bedsit units in HMOs.

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Decision
DC/2017/00120	29 Oriel Road Bootle L20 7AA	Change of use from a dwellinghouse into a house in multiple occupation (HMO)	Approved with conditions 7 bedsits/units
DC/2016/00121	Chaucer Vaults Seaview Road Bootle L20 4DS	Change of use from Public House to House in Multiple Occupation (Use Class C4) including alterations and refurbishment to the elevations	Refused
DC/2016/00200	Balliol Lodge Nursing Home 58 - 60 Balliol Road Bootle L20 7EJ	Change of use from a nursing home to house in multiple occupation (HMO)	Refused – but allowed on appeal 31 units bedsits/units

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Decision
DC/2016/01310	Balliol Lodge Nursing Home 58 - 60 Balliol Road Bootle L20 7EJ	Change of use from a nursing home to house in multiple occupation (HMO). (Alternative to DC/2016/00200 refused 09.06.2016)	Refused
DC/2016/00092	245 Strand Road Bootle L20 3HJ	Change of use to a House in Multiple Occupation (HMO) involving an extension and the layout of a roof terrace/garden area to the second floor and alterations to the elevations	Refused – but allowed on appeal 12 bedsits/units
DC/2015/01944	17 Alexandra Road Southport PR9 0NB	Continuation of use as a House in Multiple Occupation (13 Units)	Approved with conditions 13 bedsits/units
DC/2016/01247	11 Bath Street Southport PR9 0DP	Change of use from a hotel/guest house to a House in Multiple Occupation (HMO)	Refused
DC/2016/01136	44 Part Street Southport PR8 1HY	Retrospective change of use of the property to increase the units of HMO accommodation to 8 and include a self-contained basement flat.	Approved with conditions 8 bedsits/units 1 flat
DC/2016/01148	28 Gordon Road Seaforth Liverpool L21 1DW	Conversion and refurbishment of derelict property to create a 13 bed House in Multiple Occupation including, reconstruction of a two storey outrigger to the rear, dormer roofs to the front and side and erection of a detached outbuilding to the rear to provide secure storage and laundry facilities	Refused
DC/2016/01699	28 Gordon Road Seaforth Liverpool L21 1DW	Conversion and refurbishment of derelict property to create a 12 bed house in multiple occupation including reconstruction of a two storey outrigger to the rear, dormer roofs to the front and side and erection of a detached outbuilding to the rear to provide storage and laundry facilities. (Alternative to DC/2016/01148 refused 02.08.2016)	Approved with conditions 12 bedsits/units

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Decision
DC/2016/01090	24 Lathom Road Southport PR9 0JH	Change of Use of existing flats to a House in Multiple Occupation	Refused

Actions: The Council are seeking to implement a non-immediate article 4 direction to require all conversions to HMOs in parts of the borough to require planning permission. It is also updating its supplementary guidance to set out more clearly what standards HMOs must adhere to be acceptable.

Indicator 34

Total number of HMOs in Sefton and by ward

The following table sets out the number of licensed Homes in Multiple Occupation by ward. There are likely to be additional smaller HMOs that do not require a HMO licence. Derby and Linacre wards in Bootle had the largest increase in the number of licensed HMOs during 2017.

	2016	2017	% change
Birkdale	1	1	n/c
Blundellsands	3	3	n/c
Cambridge	24	23	-4%
Church	16	16	n/c
Derby	5	8	+60%
Dukes	31	30	-3%
Kew	5	5	n/c
Linacre	9	10	+11%
Netherton & Orrell	2	2	n/c
Norwood	1	1	n/c
TOTAL	97	99	+2%

The Council recently consulted on selective and additional licensing for private sector housing in the borough and will be implemented 1 March 2018. In most of the Bootle area all private rented homes will have to be licensed, including small HMOs. In parts of Southport, Waterloo, Brighton-le-Sands and Seaforth all HMOs will have to be licensed. Following the implementation of the licensing scheme the Council will have a much more complete idea of the number of HMOs in these areas.

Actions: See actions to indicator 33 above.

Indicator 35

Five year traveller pitch supply

Based on the Traveller Accommodation Need Assessment for Sefton there is a requirement during the period 2017-22 for 4 permanent traveller pitches in the borough. The Local Plan identified sufficient land for up to 19 permanent traveller pitches.

Whilst none of the allocated traveller sites have planning permission, the owners of two of the proposed traveller sites (HC5.1 and HC5.3) have indicated a strong wish to develop the sites in the short term for traveller pitches. These two pitches have a combined capacity of up to 16 pitches. Therefore the Council considers that it has a five year traveller pitch supply.

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 36

Provision of traveller pitches (permanent/transit)

None during 2016/17

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

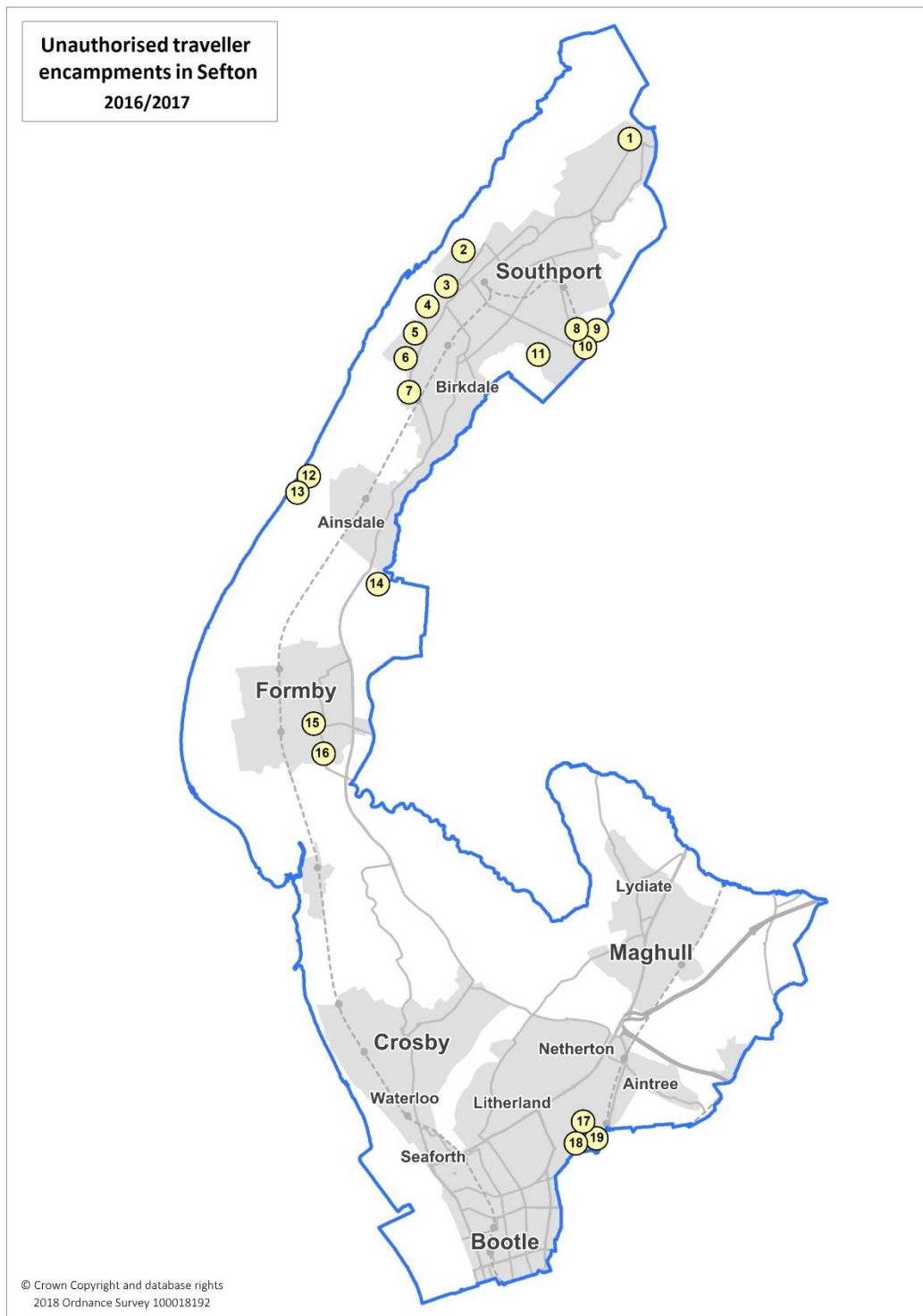
Indicator 37

Number, size and duration of unauthorised traveller encampments

During 2016-7 there were 19 unauthorised traveller encampments in the following locations.

Address (no. on map)	Size (caravan numbers)	Duration (days)
Sumner Road car park, Formby (15)	2	1
Esplanade, Southport (4)	2	2
Ainsdale Promenade PR8 2QB (13)	3	1
Ferryside Park, Ferryside Lane, Southport (1)	2	5
Kew Park & Ride, Foul Lane, Southport (9)	27	6
Bills Lane, Formby (16)	4	6
Dunes Splashworld, Southport (3)	20	3
Waterside Lodge, Marine Dr, Southport (2)	3	1
2 Oxford Rd, Birkdale (6)	25	10
Birkdale Common, Waterloo Rd Southport (7)	7	1
85 Town Lane, Southport (11)	7	8
40 Lancaster Rd, Southport (5)	25	11
Vesty Business Park L30 1RD (17)	2	1
Vesty Business Park L30 1RD (18)	3	1
Ainsdale Promenade PR8 2QB (12)	1	1
Kew Park & Ride, Foul Lane, Southport (8)	4	6
Vesty Business Park L30 1RD (19)	4	4
Sparrowhawk, Southport Old Rd (14)	1	1
Kew Park & Ride, Foul Lane, Southport (10)	3	3

The longest an unauthorised camp stayed on-site was for 11 days. The map below shows the locations of the unauthorised encampments.



The provision of a transit site in accordance with the Local Plan policy should help to minimise such incidents occurring.

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 38

No. of applications that affect an Asset of Community Value and the proportions refused/approved (with some explanatory text)

During 2016/17 there was one application that affected an asset of community value. The proposal was to add a small café that would complement the existing use of the site as a garden centre. It is considered that this proposal was compatible with the status of Asset of Community Value and helps secure its future.

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Decision
DC/2016/00908	The Greenhouses Rotten Row Southport PR8 2BZ	Conversion of part of existing building to a cafe	Approved with conditions

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 39

Approvals in Sites of Education and Care Institutions and % inappropriate

There were 17 approvals during 2016/17 within sites designated as Education or Care Institution. Most of these were considered appropriate in line with Policy HC7 (part 1) of the Local Plan. Those that could not be considered appropriate were considered suitable alternative uses were the land was accepted to be surplus to requirements.

App Ref	Address	Proposal	Appropriate?
DC/2015/02194	Land Off , Lenton Avenue, Formby	Outline planning application for the erection of 34 dwellinghouses	No but alternative used deemed acceptable
DC/2016/00231	Deyes High School, Deyes Lane, Maghull, Liverpool, L31 6DE	Alterations to the elevations of the ROSLA building	YES
DC/2016/00630	Peterhouse School, Preston New Road, Southport, PR9 8PA	Replacement of the exterior PVCu glazed curtain walling with brick work and uPVC windows, single storey courtyard extension and new entrance vestibule to the front and increased car parking area to the north of the site	YES
DC/2016/00696	Norwood Primary School, Norwood Crescent, Southport, PR9 7DU	Erection of a two storey external lift shaft to the rear of the school	YES
DC/2016/00918	Merchant Taylors School For Boys, Liverpool Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 0QP	Re-roofing of slated areas to Main Building and recovering of felted flat roofs and associated works	YES
DC/2016/01032	Larkfield Primary School , Preston New Road, Southport, PR9 8PA	Alterations to the existing car parking area to the rear of the school to create an additional 23 parking spaces	YES

App Ref	Address	Proposal	Appropriate?
DC/2016/01045	St Benedicts Catholic Primary School , Copy Lane, Netherton, L30 7PG	Replacement of existing 1.8m high boundary fence and access gates along the Copy Lane elevation, with a new 2.4m high weldmesh security fence and 2.4m high access gates infilled with weldmesh panels	YES
DC/2016/01188	Land To The East Of, Damfield Lane, Maghull	Erection of a two storey building with mansard roof to be used as a 65 bedroom residential care home with associated car parking and store and sub-station	No but alternative used deemed acceptable
DC/2016/01283	Norwood Primary School, Norwood Crescent, Southport, PR9 7DU	Erection of a two storey extension to the rear of the school and the layout of car parking spaces and a cycle compound (alternative to DC/2016/00016 withdrawn 10.03.16)	YES
DC/2016/01570	Parkhaven Trust, Liverpool Road South, Maghull	Outline planning application for the erection of a 45 bedroom nursing home after demolition of existing building	No but alternative used deemed acceptable
DC/2016/01631	Meols Cop High School, Meols Cop Road, Southport, PR8 6JU	Erection of a new sub-station to the front of the school	YES
DC/2016/01682	Merchant Taylors School For Boys, Liverpool Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 0QP	Re-roofing of School House and The Lodge buildings	YES
DC/2016/01835	Summerhill Primary School, Poverty Lane, Maghull, Liverpool, L31 3DT	Installation of a polytunnel	YES
DC/2016/01954	Land Bounded By Villas Road, Parkbourn, Maghull, Liverpool, L31 1HW	Full planning application for the development of a medium secure mental health inpatient facility with associated access arrangements, car parking and landscaping works	YES
DC/2016/02333	Maricourt Catholic High School, Hall Lane, Maghull, L31 3DZ	Replacement windows, doors and fascias to the Science and Technology Block building	YES
DC/2016/02401	Farnborough Road Primary School, Farnborough Road, Birkdale, Southport, PR8 3DF	Siting of two storage containers and demolition of temporary classrooms at the rear of the school	YES
DC/2017/00081	Great Crosby Catholic Primary School, The Northern Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 2RQ	Erection of a single storey extension	YES

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

4. Infrastructure

Indicator 40 ✓

The amount of Community Infrastructure Levy secured (total/by area)

The Council currently does not have an adopted Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). It consulted on a Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule during May – July 2016. A decision on whether to proceed with CIL is expected to be taken in 2018.

Actions: Await decision on whether to progress CIL.

Indicator 41 ✓

Number of schemes in part 1 of Policy IN2 implemented

Improved access to the Port of Liverpool by a range of transport types

Network Rail is bringing forward three improvement schemes over 2017-2019 to enhance rail capacity to the port. Consultation on the options for a major road improvement scheme was undertaken by Highways England early in 2017.

A new train station and park and ride facilities at Maghull North

Planning application approved. Works commenced and station and parking facilities expected to be open during 2018.

Development or extension of park and ride facilities at Hall Road, Seaforth & Litherland and Waterloo rail stations. Complete/no progress/no progress respectively

The provision of interchange facilities in Southport, Crosby and Maghull centres

No progress – awaiting further work on the strategies for these town centres.

Improved parking facilities in Bootle, Southport, Crosby and Maghull centres

No progress – awaiting further work on the strategies for these town centres.

Upgrading of the motorway access at Junction 1 on the M58

Scheme and funding approved by the Combined Authority in 2016. The contractor has been appointed and planning application was submitted and approved in 2017. The scheme is due to start construction in 2018.

Traffic management improvements to the A565 and A5036

Three schemes on the A565, in Seaforth, Waterloo and Thornton have received funding allocation from the City Region Sustainable Transport Enhancement Package for delivery in 2017/18 – 2019/20. The Seaforth scheme is planned for delivery in 2018.

Improved access to Southport from the east (A570 corridor)

The Southport traffic model has been updated. Modelling and feasibility work is continuing in advance of the preparation of a Strategic Outline Case for submission to the Combined Authority.

Safeguarding the rail link between Bootle New Strand and Aintree rail station (i.e. the North Mersey Branch line). Link safeguarded in the Local Plan.

Actions: Continue to monitor and liaise with Merseytravel

5. Design and Environmental Quality

Indicator 42

% of new build housing within appropriate (SPD) distance to bus stop; rail station; GP; Primary School

The vast majority of new homes built during 2016/17 were within easy reach of a bus stop and a primary school. The bus network in Sefton is extensive and most areas have reasonably good bus services. Fewer homes built were within easy reach of other key services. This reflects the fact that there are fewer of these facilities in Sefton. Nevertheless, as there is a good bus network, these facilities (which are largely located in are towns and larger villages) are accessible by public transport.

	% of Dwellings		% of Sites	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Within 400m of a bus stop	97%	3%	94%	6%
Within 800m of a rail station	29%	71%	42%	58%
Within 800m of a GP surgery	57%	43%	63%	37%
Within 800m of a primary school	76%	24%	74%	26%

Actions: Nothing. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 43*

Contaminated land remediated as part of development

To follow - need to check queries and analysis with KC – we do not monitor this, need to find an appropriate source or system for collecting. Kate

The following approvals were granted during 2016/17 that required remediation work to be carried out prior to development. Only major developments (i.e. 10 or more homes or non-residential development of 1000m² or more) are monitored for this indicator.

APPLICATION	ADDRESS	PROPOSAL	DATE/DECISS	TOTAL AREA

The total area of land that has been agreed to be remediated through the above approval is xxha.

Actions: Continue to implement policy.

Indicator 44 ✓

Number of applications refused on flood risk grounds

During 2016/17 there was 1 application refused (partly) on flood risk grounds. This was a major application at Andrews Lane, Formby. This site is allocated for homes in the Sefton Local Plan. Since the application the decision to refuse was appealed and the appeal upheld. However, the reasons for refusal on flood risk grounds were satisfactorily addressed during the appeal process.

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment	Decision Date
DC/2016/01740	Land To The South Of Andrews Lane, Formby	Outline planning application (with details of access) for residential development comprising of up to 95 dwellings and public open space	It has not been demonstrated how the existing flood risk on the adjoining residents can be mitigated due to the lack of capacity on the existing Andrew's Lane watercourse, which is contrary to paragraph 103 of National Planning Policy Framework and Policy EQ8 'Managing Flood Risk and Surface Water' in the emerging Local Plan.	22/12/2016

Actions: Continue to implement policy.

Indicator 45

Number of major applications approved with conditions and/or legal agreements related to SuDs

There were 40 major applications that were relevant to this indicator. Of these 31 were approved with conditions related to SuDs. All but two of these had non-standard conditions applied.

Note: The text in the comment field below is a very short summary indicating the requirements stated in the conditions, the full text can be found in the decision notice for each application.

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment	Decision Date
DC/2014/00148	Land Adjacent To Maghull Railway Station Melling Lane Maghull	Layout of new access road from Melling Lane for the erection of 14 semi-detached dwellings, change of use of former station master's house to A2 (financial & professional services) or B1a (office) including a two storey extension and external alterations,	Condition 9: a surface water drainage scheme must be submitted and approved before development commences.	11-Aug-16
DC/2014/00887	Units 5B-6 And Homebase Unit 7 Meols Cop Centre Foul Lane Southport PR9 7RG	Construction of an elevated (First Floor) food supermarket with new car parking at ground floor level, petrol filling station, public recycling facility, alterations to the vehicular access via Meols Cop Road and Foul Lane, re-configuration of the existing	Condition 10: No development shall take place until a surface water drainage scheme for the site, based on sustainable drainage principles, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the LPA	08-Dec-16
DC/2015/01442	50 Sandy Road Seaforth Liverpool L21 3TW	Outline Planning Permission with all matters reserved for residential development	Condition 19: a surface water drainage scheme must be submitted and approved before development commences.	10-Jun-16
DC/2015/01852	Fireguard UK 28-30 Hall Street Southport PR9 0SE	Conversion of existing building to create 35 studio apartments, including alterations to the elevations	None specified, but this is an outline applications with all matters reserved.	30-Sep-16
DC/2015/01954	Former Sunnymede School 4 Westcliffe Road Birkdale Southport PR8 2BN	Conversion and refurbishment of existing listed building to create six self-contained apartments, erection of seven new build dwellinghouses in two terraces, access works, layout of car and cycle parking and hard and soft landscaping works after demolitio	Condition 26: foul and surface water shall be drained on separate systems	06-Oct-16
DC/2015/02116	129 Sterrix Lane Litherland Bootle L30 2PW	Outline planning application for the erection of 14 dwellinghouses fronting onto Sterrix Lane and St Georges Grove after demolition of the existing building.	Condition 7: a scheme for the disposal of foul and surface water drainage must be approved by the LPA, and constructed before scheme brought into use. 8: Management scheme must be approved by LPA before development starts.	28-Apr-16
DC/2015/02160	Land Adjacent To Asda Orrell Lane Bootle	Residential development of 28 dwellings and new vehicular access off Orrell Lane along with	Conditions 24: a surface water drainage scheme must be approved before development	05-Apr-16

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment	Decision Date
	L20 6HX	internal access road and landscaping	commences. 25: Foul and surface water shall be drained on separate systems and 26: the scheme must cope with a 1 in 100 year plus 30% chance of flooding.	
DC/2015/02168	Former Aintree Library Altway Aintree	Construction of a residential development of 13 dwellings comprising of one block containing 8 one bed roomed flats, a terrace of 3 two bed roomed houses and one pair of two bed roomed semi-detached houses, including all associated landscaping and access roa	Condition 15: a surface water drainage scheme must be submitted and approved before development commences	31-Aug-16
DC/2015/02194	Land Off Lenton Avenue Formby	Outline planning application for the erection of 34 dwellinghouses	Condition 7: A scheme for the disposal of foul and surface water drainage must be approved by the LPA, and constructed before scheme brought into use.	22-Nov-16
DC/2015/02196	Unit 2 Racecourse Retail Park Aintree Liverpool L9 5AN	External alterations and erection of a mezzanine floor	No SuDs conditions.	09-Jun-16
DC/2016/00009	Senate Business Park Bridle Road Netherton	Erection of a new B1/B2/B8 facility with associated external works and layout of car parking with access from Farrier's Way	No SuDs conditions.	05-Apr-16
DC/2016/00230	Mayflower Industrial Estate Liverpool Road Formby Liverpool L37 6BU	Erection of a part single, part two, part three storey 75 bed care home building, erection of a part single, part three storey block of 22 apartments (for the over 55's), erection of a single storey garage block and associated works following the demolition	Conditions 10: Foul and surface water shall be drained on separate systems. 11: A surface water drainage scheme must be approved by the LPA. 12: Management scheme must be approved by LPA before development starts.	24-Jan-17
DC/2016/00255	Land Bounded By Walker Road And Ruthven Road Beach Road Litherland	Construction of a residential development of 35 dwellings comprising: 19 houses, 12 flats and 4 bungalows, layout of a vehicular access from Beach Road including hard and soft landscaping	Condition 21: Prior to devt, the following must be submitted and approved by the LPA: ground investigation report into drainage, drainage simulation, construction details of the proposed drainage system, management and maintenance plan.	06-May-16
DC/2016/00337	Unit 31 Slaidburn Industrial Estate	Change of use of existing warehouse building to Indoor	No SuDs conditions.	16-Jun-16

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment	Decision Date
	Slaidburn Crescent Southport PR9 9YF	Trampoline Park and ancillary cafeteria.		
DC/2016/00345	105-107 Church Road Formby Liverpool L37 3ND	Erection of a part two and half, part two and part single storey 40-bed residential care home with associated external works and landscaping after demolition of existing car dealership and workshop buildings	Conditions 23: Foul and surface water shall be drained on separate systems. 24: A scheme for a sustainable drainage system to serve the site, method of implementation and maintenance plan must be approved by LPA and Local Floor Authority.	14-Jul-16
DC/2016/00482	Slaidburn Industrial Estate Slaidburn Crescent Southport	Erection of 7 industrial units on vacant land	Condition 13: A SuDS management and maintenance plan must be agreed by the LPA, including a) arrangements for adoption of the system, and b) arrangements for funding for ongoing maintenance.	15-Dec-16
DC/2016/00505	Daniel House Trinity Road Bootle	Erection of a three storey extension to Daniel House building and alterations to existing building to create additional 27 one bed apartments	No SuDs conditions.	14-Jul-16
DC/2016/00534	Southport Skip Hire 55 Crowland Street Southport PR9 7ZA	Hybrid application comprising 1) Application for full planning permission for the development of an energy recovery park comprising a reconfigured waste transfer station including the erection of a waste transfer building; an anaerobic digester facility i	Condition 25: Within 3 months of devt commencing a scheme for the disposal of foul and surface water drainage must be approved by the LPA showing how rate of run off is to be managed. Scheme to be implemented in full for the lifetime of the devt.	04-Oct-16
DC/2016/00639	Land Corner Of Heysham Road/Leckwith Road Netherton L30 6TU	Erection of a salt barn, a single storey workshop and office building and recycling area	Conditions 12: a surface water drainage scheme must be approved before development commences. 13: Management scheme must be agreed by LPA including arrangements for adoption and funding of ongoing maintenance.	14-Jul-16
DC/2016/01024	Kirkstone Hotel Moss Lane Litherland Liverpool L21 7NJ	Erection of a part three, part four storey block containing 14 two bedroom apartments with car parking and associated garden areas after demolition of existing public house	Condition 11: foul and surface water shall be drained on separate systems. 12: A surface water drainage scheme must be approved by the LPA. 13: Management scheme must be agreed by LPA including arrangements for adoption and	14-Jul-16

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment	Decision Date
			funding of maintenance.	
DC/2016/01092	Former Z Blocks Site B Land Between Buckley Hill Lane And Great Hey Netherton Liverpool	Erection of 26 dwellings comprising bungalows and flats, including all associated infrastructure and landscaping	Condition 22: A SuDS management and maintenance plan must be approved by the LPA.	02-Sep-16
DC/2016/01102	Land East Of Birkdale Cop And South Of Town Lane Phase 3, Units 101-189 Kew Town Lane Southport	Erection of 89 dwellings (including two 4 storey apartment blocks) and all associated works. (Alternative in part to S/2012/0400 approved 03/03/2014)	Before development commences: Conditions 18: A surface water drainage scheme (with specific details) must be approved. 19: A scheme for the management of overland flow from surcharging of the site's surface water drainage system must be approved.	16-Nov-16
DC/2016/01188	Land To The East Of Damfield Lane Maghull	Erection of a two storey building with mansard roof to be used as a 65 bedroom residential care home with associated car parking and store and sub-station	Condition 12: foul and surface water shall be drained on separate systems.	10-Oct-16
DC/2016/01337	Formby Hall Golf Club Southport Old Road Formby Liverpool L37 0AB	Retrospective application submitted under Section 73A(2)(a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the change of use of the residential block of the Formby Hall Golf Resort and Spa from a PGA Residential Academy (Use Class C2) to a hotel with ancil	No SuDs conditions.	21-Oct-16
DC/2016/01415	13 Crosby Road South Waterloo	Conversion of existing building and erection of a four storey extension to the rear after demolition of the existing outrigger, to create 10 self- contained flats	Condition 13: a surface water management scheme must be submitted and approved before development commences.	15-Dec-16
DC/2016/01473	Unit 7 Leckwith Road Netherton Bootle L30 6UF	Change of use from Recycling of Plasterboard (B2) to Training Centre (D1) including internal and external alterations and construction of a training pool and enclosure	No SuDs conditions.	30-Sep-16
DC/2016/01570	Parkhaven Trust Liverpool Road South Maghull	Outline planning application for the erection of a 45 bedroom nursing home after demolition of existing building	Conditions 17: Foul and surface water shall be drained on separate system. 18: A surface water drainage scheme must be approved by the LPA. 19: Management scheme must be	10-Mar-17

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment	Decision Date
			agreed by LPA including arrangements for adoption and funding of maintenance.	
DC/2016/01642	40 Alexandra Road Southport PR9 9HH	Erection of a detached block of 10 self-contained flats. (Alternative to DC/2014/00567 approved 03/06/2015)	No SuDs conditions.	28-Nov-16
DC/2016/01671	The Waterfront Promenade Southport	Proposed use of vacant floor space at both plaza (ground floor) and mezzanine level (first floor) for use as class B1A (offices), A2 (financial and professional) and/or class D2 (Leisure) and the creation of a new entrance.	No SuDs conditions.	22-Nov-16
DC/2016/01743	Site Of Former 8 Oxford Road Birkdale	Erection of a care home comprising of one to five storey's, including the layout of car parking, vehicular access and landscaping (Alternative to DC/2015/01645 withdrawn 5 May 2016)	Condition E1 used. (Number 12 in decision notice).	24-Jan-17
DC/2016/01779	Land At Warren Court Birkdale Southport PR8 2DF	Erection of 10 semi-detached dwellinghouses	Conditions 3: Foul and surface water shall be drained on separate system. 14: A surface water drainage scheme must be approved by the LPA. 5: Management scheme must be agreed by LPA including arrangements for adoption and funding of maintenance.	15-Dec-16
DC/2016/01922	Brooklands Farm Brewery Lane Melling Liverpool L31 1EZ	Erection of 11 detached two storey dwellinghouses after demolition of existing buildings	Conditions 8: Foul and surface water shall be drained on separate system. 9: A surface water drainage scheme must be approved by the LPA. 10: Management scheme must be agreed by LPA including arrangements for adoption and funding of maintenance.	31-Mar-17
DC/2016/01935	Land Adjacent To 5 And Opposite 10-34 George Drive And 19-22 Elizabeth Avenue Birkdale Southport	Erection of 10 dwellings and eight self-contained apartments with associated car parking and landscaping	Conditions 11: Foul and surface water shall be drained on separate system. 12: The approved Drainage Strategy must be implemented. 13: Management scheme must be agreed by LPA including arrangements for adoption and	31-Mar-17

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment	Decision Date
			funding of maintenance.	
DC/2016/01984	Units 21, 22 And 24 Maritime Enterprise Park Atlas Road Bootle L20 4DY	Retrospective Change of Use from B1, B2 and B8 to D1 (Education)	No SuDs conditions.	15-Dec-16
DC/2016/02034	45 Ormskirk Road Aintree Liverpool L9 5AF	Outline planning application with details of access and layout for the erection of A1 (Retail) or A2 (Financial & Professional Services) or A3 (Restaurant & Cafes) units with associated parking following the demolition of existing buildings	Condition 20: A SuDS management and maintenance plan must be approved by the LPA.	10-Mar-17
DC/2016/02117	146 Park Lane Netherton Bootle L30 1RW	Erection of a two and half storey block of 10 apartments with associated car parking	Standard conditions E1 and E2 used. (Numbered 4 and 5 in decision notice).	20-Jan-17
DC/2016/02175	Land Off Alexandra Road Southport PR9 9HD	Development of Use Class C2 Residential Accommodation with Care, comprising of apartments for the elderly along with associated landscaping, access roads, car parking, bin stores and services	Condition 10: a foul and surface water drainage scheme must be approved before devt commences, and completed before devt is brought into use. 11: Details of the implementation, maintenance and management to be approved by the LPA.	10-Feb-17
DC/2016/02302	Former Z Blocks Site C Red Lomes Netherton L29 1YB	Erection of 27 dwellings and four apartments with associated landscaping and infrastructure works	Condition 21: a surface water drainage scheme must be submitted and approved before development commences.	20-Feb-17
DC/2016/02394	101 Liverpool Road Lydiate Liverpool L31 2LX	Outline Planning Application with some matters reserved (appearance, landscaping and scale) for the demolition of an existing dormer bungalow and the erection of 12 no. flats with associated car parking	Condition 10: A SuDS scheme and management, funding and maintenance plan must be approved by the LPA.	10-Mar-17
DC/2016/02438	Marble Place Southport PR8 1DF	Erection of a 96 bedroomed hotel and replacement retail unit on the ground floor after partial demolition and remodelling of the existing shopping centre	Condition 17: foul and surface water shall be drained on separate systems. 18: A surface water drainage scheme must be approved by the LPA prior to commencement (plus additional detailed requirements).	10-Mar-17

Actions: None. Continue to monitor.

Indicator 46

Area of new Public Open Space approved on:

- Schemes of 150 or more dwellings
- Proposals for 11 to 149 dwellings on sites which are more than 2km from a main park or Countryside Recreation Area

During the 2016/17 there were no schemes approved for 150 or more dwellings. There were no schemes for more than 11 homes that were not within 2km from a main park or Countryside Recreation Area. This is a new policy approach that will be implemented from 2017/18.

Actions: Ensure the new policy approach is implemented and Development Management colleagues are fully aware of new policy

Indicator 47

Financial contributions secured through section 106 to approve existing open space

During 2016/17 there was just one section 106 signed that, if implemented, would secure £10,000 towards an existing open space.

Actions: None

Indicator 48

Approvals (and refusals) of A5 uses in designated centres, shopping parades, within 400m of a secondary school or college (including those restricted to opening after 5pm)

During 2016/17 the Council determined the following applications that included a hot food takeaway (A5). There were 7 approvals that included an A5 element and 5 refusals. The recently approved Local Plan (and Supplementary Planning Document) introduced a policy that seeks to restrict new A5 uses in areas that are close to secondary schools or colleges, and in centres and shopping parades where these is already considered an oversupply.

One of the approvals for an A5 use (Hesketh Drive) is within 400m of a secondary school. However, the application was approved prior to the adoption of the Local Plan (April 2017) and the SPD (September 2017).

Application	Site Address	Proposal	In designated centre	In shopping parade	Within 400m of secondary school or college	Decision Date

Application	Site Address	Proposal	In designated centre	In shopping parade	Within 400m of secondary school or college	Decision Date
DC/2016/00750	309-311 Stanley Road, Bootle, L20 3LQ	Change of Use from Class A1 Use to Class A3/A5 Use	Yes	No	No	06/06/2016
DC/2016/01518	58-60 Aintree Road, Bootle, L20 9DN	Change of Use of 58 Aintree Road from (A1) Retail to (A5) Hot Food Takeaway (annexed to existing A5 use at 60 Aintree Road), including the construction of a single storey extension to the rear and a new shop front	No	Yes	No	13/10/2016
DC/2016/01540	52 Aintree Road, Bootle, L20 9DN	Change of use of a beauty parlour into a pizza takeaway (Class A5 Use - Hot Food Takeaways) involving the installation of an external flue and alterations to the elevations at the rear of the premises	No	Yes	No	20/09/2016
DC/2016/01708	21 Upper Aughton Road, Birkdale, Southport, PR8 5NA	Change of use of the ground floor retail unit to mixed A3 [Restaurant and Cafe] and A5 [Hot Food Takeaway] use; retention of extraction flue at the rear; erection of a single storey rear extension; installation of a new shop front and layout of outside seating area to the front of the premises; use of first floor as a self-contained flat with external staircase to the first floor entrance at rear;	No	Yes	No	18/11/2016
DC/2016/01746	16 Nevill Street, Southport, PR9 0BX	Change of use of retail shop to a hot food takeaway at ground floor only and construction of an extraction flue on the rear elevation	Yes	No	No	12/12/2016
DC/2016/02210	27 Hesketh Drive, Southport, PR9 7JG	Retention of use as A1 (shop/retail), A4 (drinking establishment) and A5 (hot food takeaway) on the ground floor only and layout of outdoor seating area	No	No	Yes	22/02/2017

Application	Site Address	Proposal	In designated centre	In shopping parade	Within 400m of secondary school or college	Decision Date
DC/2016/02349	256 Derby Road, Bootle, L20 8LJ	Change of use from a bar (Class A4 - Drinking Establishments) to a hot food takeaway (Class A5 - Hot Food Takeaways) with alterations to frontage	No	Yes	No	26/01/2017

Refusals of A5 uses. One of these was refused (partly) on the grounds that it was within 400m of a secondary school.

Application	Site Address	Proposal	In designated centre	In shopping parade	secondary school or college	Decision Date
DC/2015/01480	39 Weld Road, Birkdale, Southport, PR8 2DS	Continuation of Use of the premises as a Hot Food Takeaway (A5) and installation of a new shop front	Yes	No	No	Refused
DC/2016/00246	72 Moor Lane, Thornton, Liverpool, L23 4TW	Change of use from A1 (retail) to A5 (hot food takeaway) with ancillary first floor existing residential use and erection of extraction flues at the rear of the premises	No	Yes	Yes	Refused
DC/2016/00499	127 Forefield Lane, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 9SL	Change of use to a hot food takeaway	No	Yes	No	Refused
DC/2016/00587	6 The Crescent, Thornton, Liverpool, L23 4TA	Change of use from A1 Retail to A5 Hot Food Takeaway	No	Yes	Yes	Refused
DC/2016/02463	16 Endbutt Lane, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 0TR	Change of use of premises from A1 (sweet shop) to A5 (hot food takeaway) including installation of chimney/flue to the rear	No	Yes	Yes	Refused – partly due to proximity to secondary school.

Actions: Nothing at this stage. Continue to implement SPD.

6. Natural and Heritage Assets

Indicator 49

Approvals in International, National and Local Nature Sites and % Inappropriate

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment
DC/2014/00148	Land Adjacent To Maghull Railway Station, Melling Lane, Maghull	Layout of new access road from Melling Lane for the erection of 14 semi-detached dwellings, change of use of former station master's house to A2 (financial & professional services) or B1a (office) including a two storey extension and external alterations, including a publicly accessible ecological zone with pedestrian access onto Poverty Lane, plus associated parking, hard and soft landscaping and means of enclosure.	Proposal was on area of Local Wildlife Site and included management proposals that will positively benefit other habitats within the LWS and this will compensate for any loss.

Actions: Continue to implement policy to ensure no inappropriate approvals

Indicator 50

Approvals in Nature Improvement Areas and % Inappropriate

During 2016/17 there were no permissions in the Nature Improvement Area.

Actions: Continue to implement policy to ensure no inappropriate approvals

Indicator 51

Approvals in Coastal Change Management Area and % Inappropriate

None in 2016/17

Actions: Continue to implement policy to ensure no inappropriate approvals

Indicator 52

Approvals in Public Open Space and % Inappropriate

Application	Site Address	Proposal	Comment
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DC/2016/00908	The Greenhouses, Rotten Row, Southport, PR8 2BZ	Conversion of part of existing building to a cafe	Proposal is ancillary to use of garden centre and uses existing buildings. No loss of open space.
DC/2016/01125	New Park Farm, Bridge Lane, Netherton, Bootle, L30 3SW	Conversion of existing garages and workshop buildings to form 4 self-contained flats, one pair of semi-detached dwellings and one dormer bungalow involving partial demolition of the existing disused garages and barn	Reuses existing buildings so no loss of open space.

Actions: Continue to implement policy to ensure no inappropriate approvals

Indicator 53
Approvals in Urban Golf Course and % Inappropriate

None in 2016/17

Actions: None

Indicator 54
% of Listed Buildings surveyed as part of Heritage at Risk assessment

From January to December 2017 the Council surveyed 29 of its listed buildings. This is 5% of the total list entries. Of the 29 buildings surveyed, 5 were at risk.

Actions: Continue to survey listed buildings at risk through 2018.

Indicator 55
Conservation Area Appraisals adopted

During 2017 consultation was undertaken on two Conservation Area Appraisals. These were for:

- Lord Street
- Promenade

These were adopted in November 2017.

There are 25 Conservation Areas in Sefton. There are eleven Conservation Areas that are still to have a Conservation Area Appraisal adopted. Work is progressing on two further Conservation Area Appraisals (Green Lane and Hesketh Road).

Actions: Continue with work on the Green Lane and Hesketh Road Conservation Area Appraisals. Determine which of the other Conservation Areas are priorities for Conservation Area Appraisals.

Indicator 56

Conservation Area Management Plans adopted

There are currently no Conservation Area Management Plans adopted in Sefton.

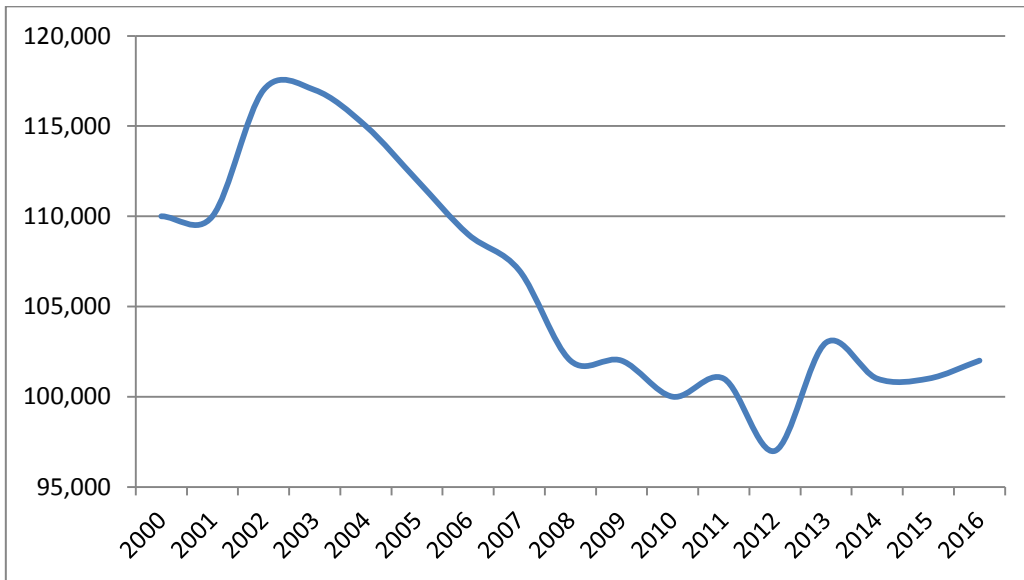
Actions: Determine which of the other Conservation Areas are priorities for having Management Plans.

SECTION B

INDIRECT IMPACT INDICATORS

Indicator 57
Number of jobs in Sefton

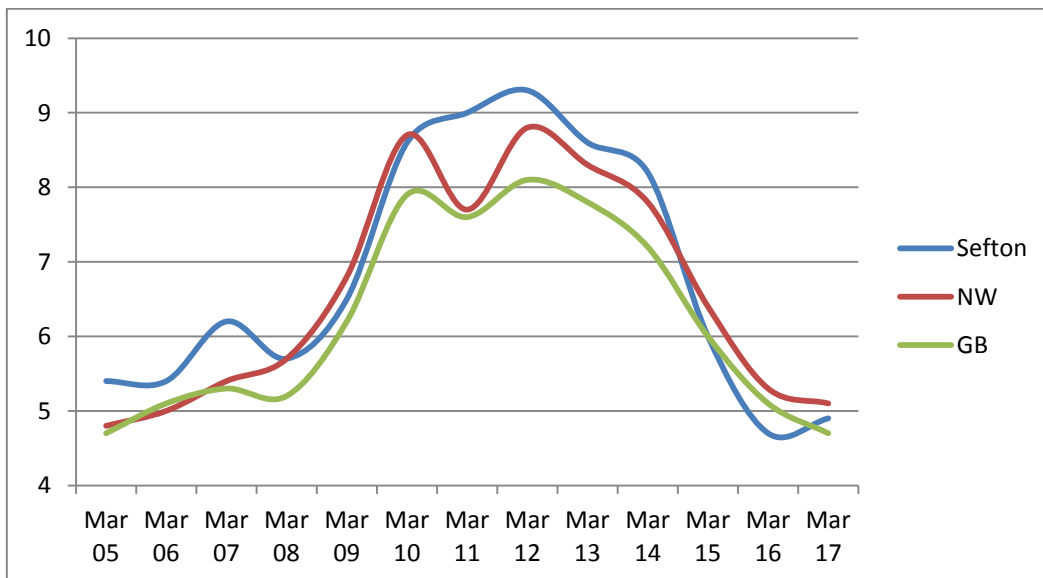
The number of jobs in has fallen quite considerably since 2002, although there has been a slight recovery from a low of 97,000 jobs in 2012. The most recent published data (2016) shows that there are 102,000 jobs in Sefton. The jobs density in Sefton of 0.62 (i.e. the ratio of total jobs to population aged 16-64) remains much lower than both the north-west (0.81) and national average (0.84). These figures reflect the historic role of Sefton as a commuter area.



(Source: Nomis)

Indicator 58
Unemployment rate

The unemployment rate in Sefton has continued to drop in recent years and from April 2016 to March 2017 the rate stood at 4.9%. This is lower than the North West average for the same period which stood at 5.1% but slightly higher than the national average of 4.7%.



(Source: Nomis)

Indicator 59

Retail ranking of Bootle and Southport

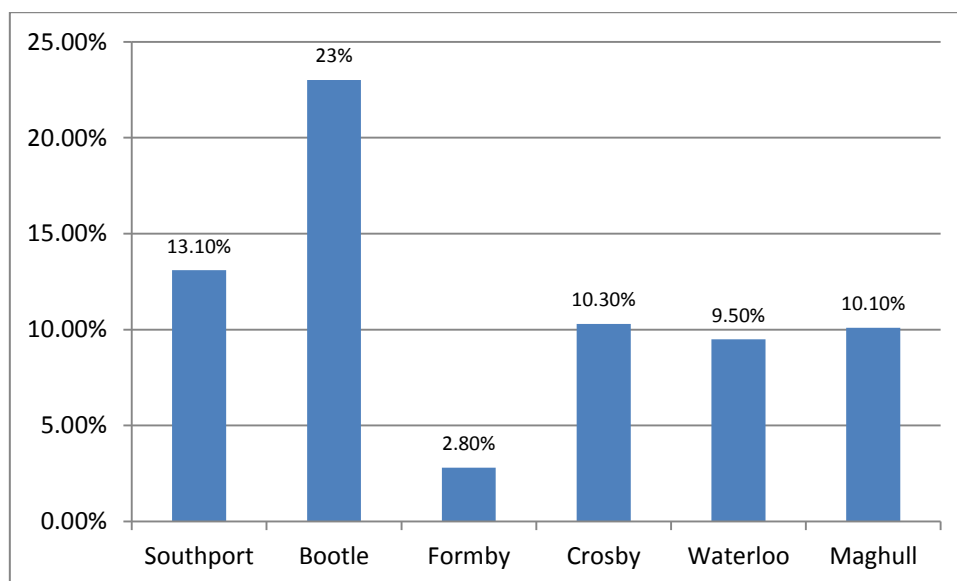
The most recent national retail ranking information available to the Council for Southport and Bootle is from 2014/15. Both centres have slipped down the rankings slightly since 2013/14 but show an improved ranking since 2010. The Council is likely to commission 'Health Checks' for these centres during 2018/19 which will report on the most recent retail rankings.

	Southport	Bootle
2010	107	243
2013/14	93	229
2014/15	96	235

Indicator 60

Vacancy rates (units) in designated centres

The most recent data on vacancy rates in Sefton are from the May 2015 Town and District Health Checks. In Bootle Town Centre there were 47 vacant units from a total of 204 units which is 23%. This is a much higher rate than the other centres in Sefton. Formby had a very low vacancy rate in May 2015 with just 3 units out of 107 vacant (2.8%).



The trend has been for increasing number of vacant units in Bootle Town Centre. In April 2009 there were 36 vacant units from 210 (17.1%). This had increased to 40 vacant units from 210 (19%) in July 2011. There has been a slight decrease in the number of vacant units in Southport from 110 (14.4%) in April 2009, 102 (13.4%) vacant units in July 2011 and 97 (13.1%) vacant units in May 2015.

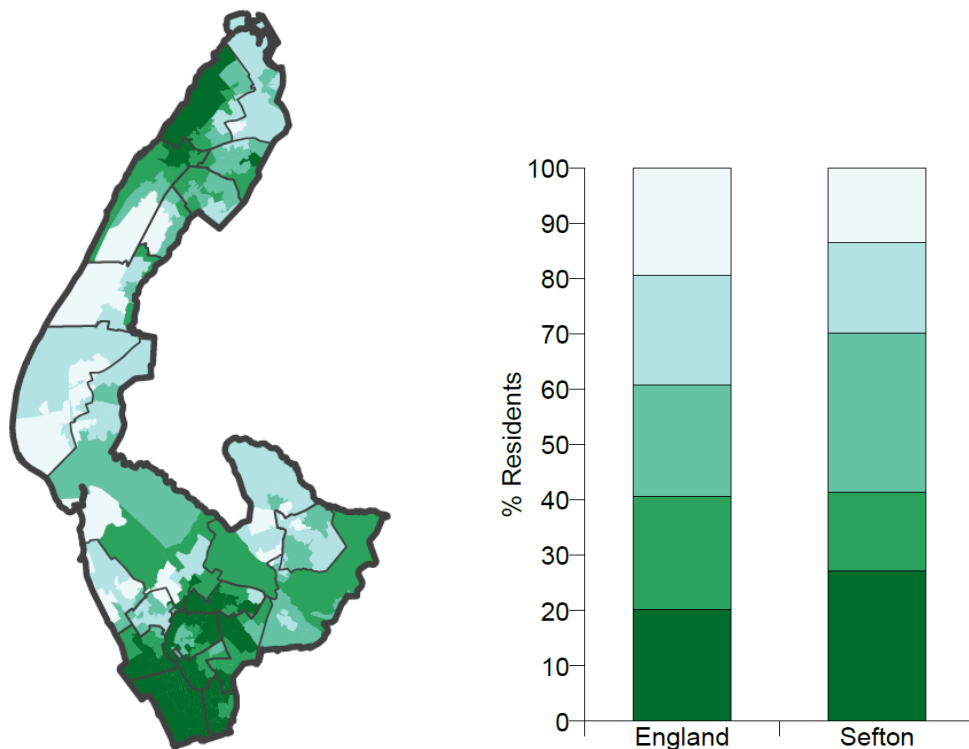
The Council anticipates it will update its Town Centre Health Checks for Bootle and Southport in 2017/18.

Indicator 61

% of Sefton's population living in 20% most deprived areas in England

The 2015 Index of Multiple Deprivation show that 25.7% of Sefton's population lives within the 20% most deprived neighbourhoods in England. This compares to the national figure of 21.8%. The darkest colour in the

map and chart represent the 20% most deprived. The map shows that in Sefton most areas of Bootle and Netherton and parts of central Southport are classed as being within the 20% most deprived neighbourhoods in England.



Indicator 62
Social Housing waiting lists

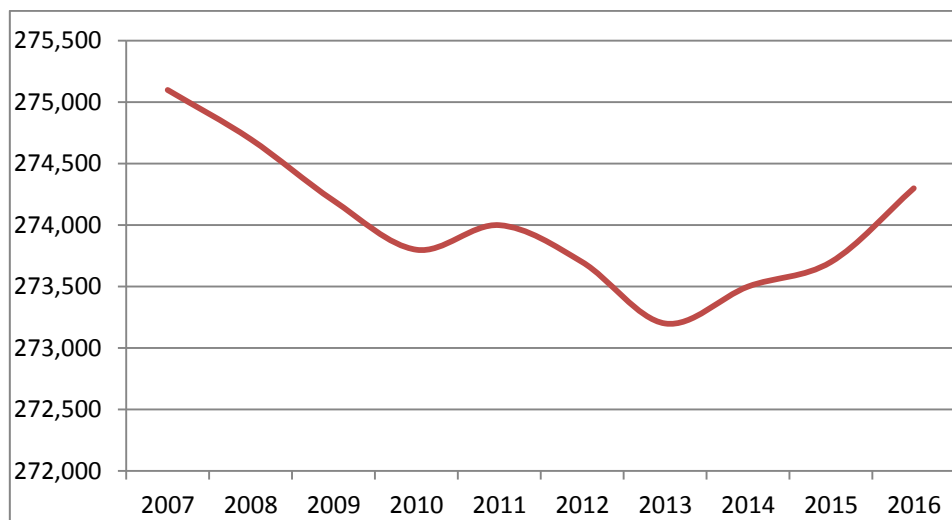
At 31st March 2017 the number of active applicants on the Sefton Housing Register was **3917**.

	No. of active applicants on the Sefton Housing Register
At 31 st March 2017	3,917
At 31 st March 2016	3,190
At 31 st March 2015	4,648

Total housing waiting list numbers have reduced between 2014/15 and 2016/17 primarily due to a change in monitoring methodology. An audit was undertaken to contact each person(s) on the Housing waiting list to assess their existing housing need. Where there was a non-response, that person(s) was removed from the housing waiting list thereby reducing the number of historical housing waiting list applicants. This adopted monitoring methodology is seen as a more accurate mechanism for recording total housing waiting list numbers and will be undertaken on an annual basis.

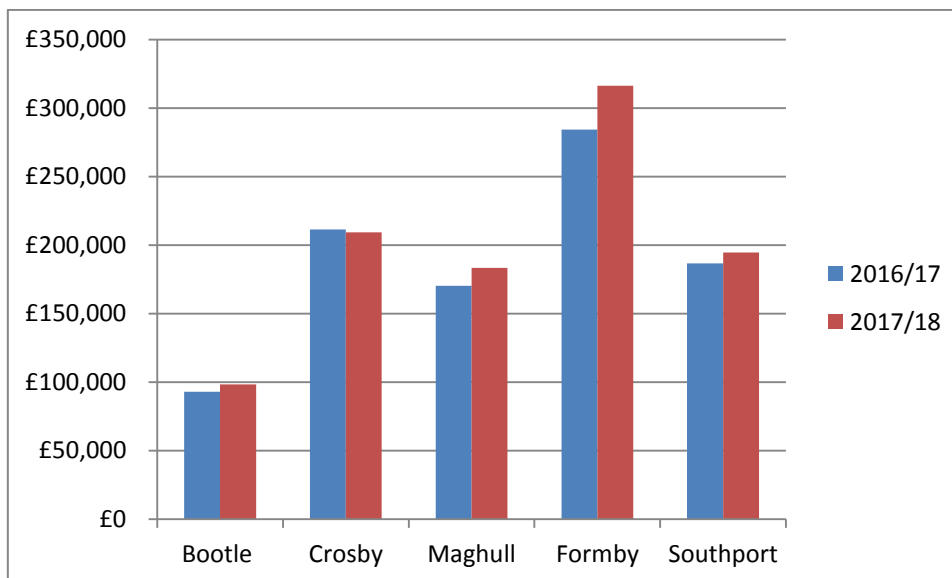
Indicator 63
Population in Sefton

The mid 2016 population estimate for Sefton is 274,300. In the past decade the population continued the trend of decreasing. However, since 2013 the population has begun to rise. By 2030 Sefton’s population is expected to increase to 280,000.



Indicator 64
Average House Prices by Area

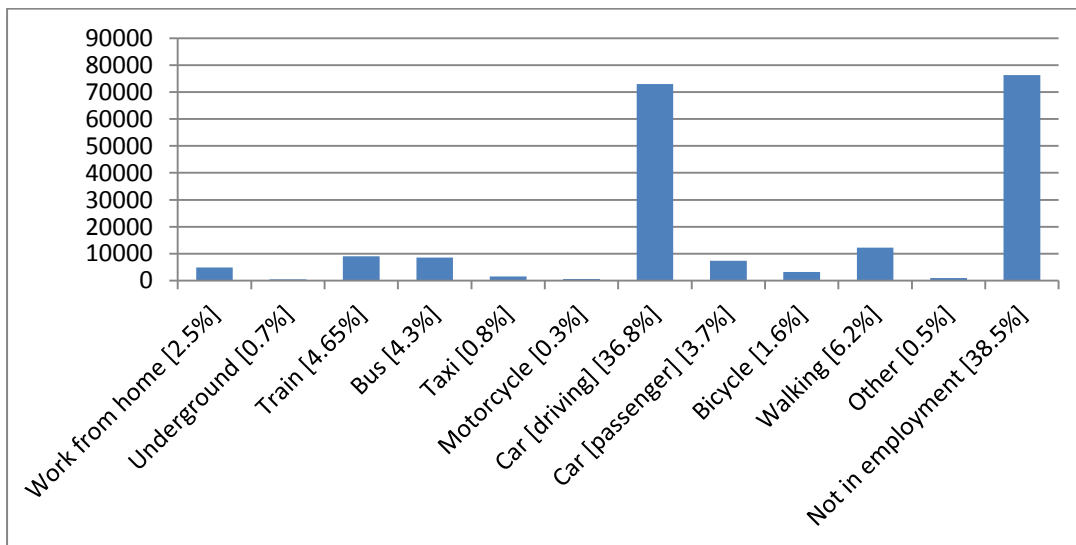
The chart below shows the average property sale price in Sefton’s main towns.



(data accessed March 2018 – Rightmove.com)

In most areas house prices increased over the past twelve months. The only area that a decrease was in the Crosby area, where they decreased marginally.

Indicator 65
Travel to work by transport mode



(source 2011 census)

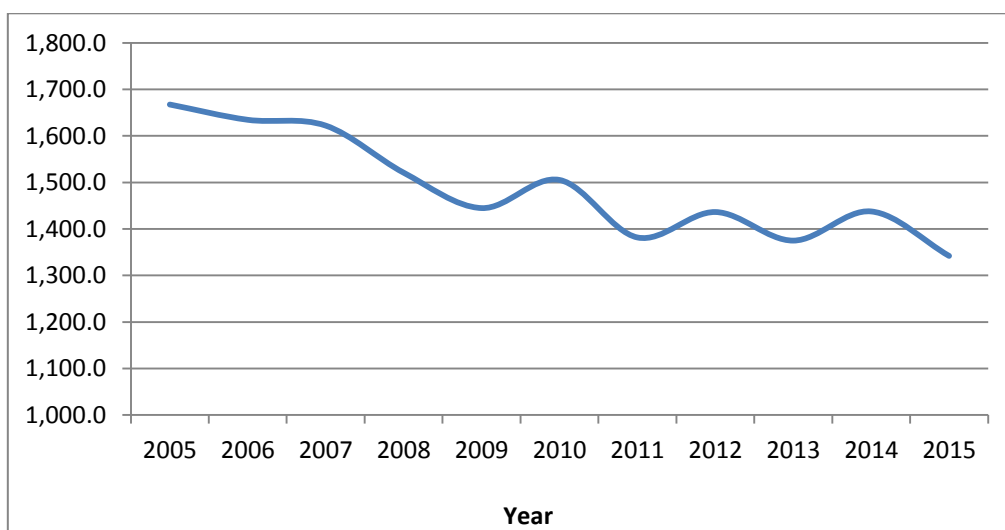
Indicator 66
Obesity rates in adults/children

In 2015/16, the most recent data available, the obesity rates for Year 6 children (i.e. age 10 or 11) was 19.9%. This is an increase from 18.0% in 2014/15. The England average is 19.8%.

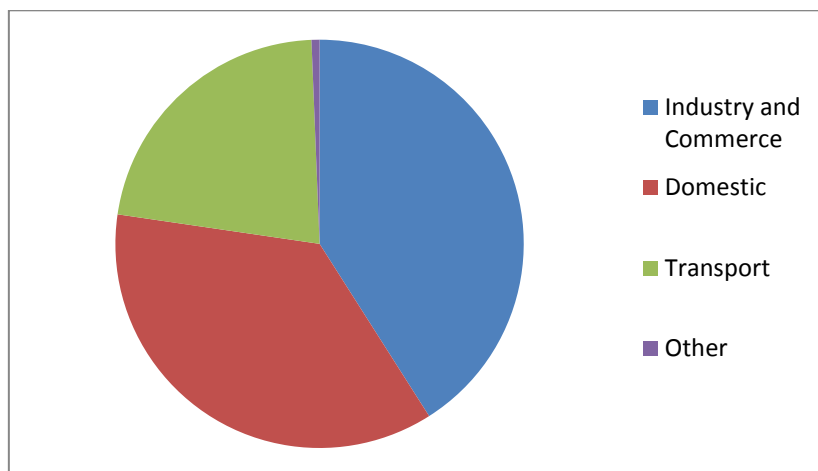
In 2013-15, the most recent data available, the number of adults classed as having excess weight (i.e. being overweight or obese) was 69.7% (was previously 70.3% at 2012-14). The England average 64.8% (previously 64.6%).

Indicator 67
Carbon emissions by source (tCO₂ per person)

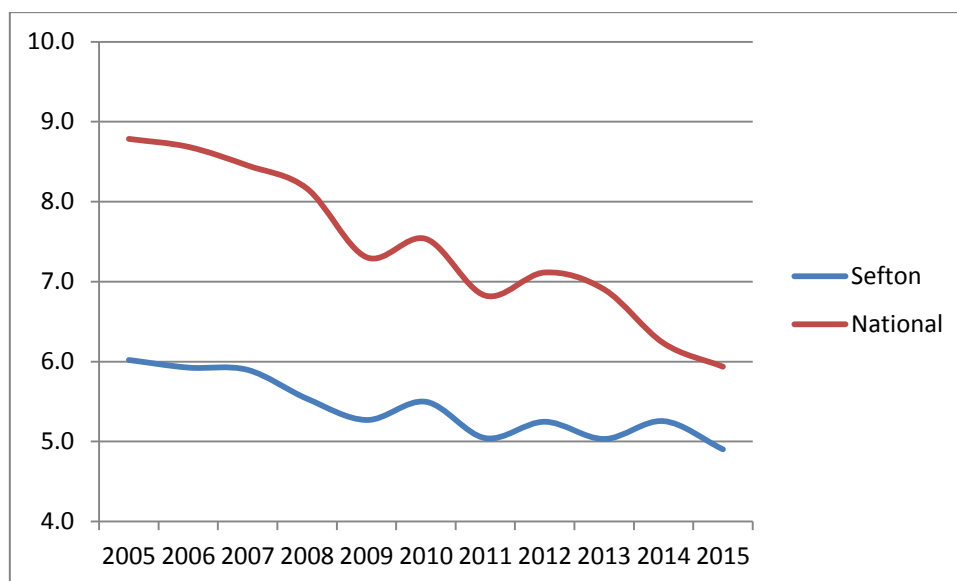
In 2015 (from data published June 2017) the total amount of CO₂ emissions for Sefton was 1342.0kt. This is a decrease from the previous years and continues an overall downward trend.



The major source of Co2 emissions in Sefton is from industry and commerce, with domestic use the second highest contributor. Together these two sources account for almost 80% of Sefton’s CO2 emissions. The other significant contributing factor is transport.



Sefton continues to have lower per capita emissions (4.9 tonnes per person) than the national average (5.9 tonnes per person). However the gap has narrowed considerably in recent years.



Indicator 68
Total number of homes and businesses classed at risk from flooding

The Environment Agency previously published data on the number of homes and businesses that are classed ‘at risk from flooding’. This data is no longer available. As a replacement the Council has identified the number of homes and commercial properties that are within either flood zones 2 or 3 or in any area classed as being at risk (1 in 100years) of surface water flooding. The number properties in these areas the previous year (2017) in provided in red below.

	Residential Properties	Commercial Properties
Flood Zone 2	6,633 (6,631)	620 (592)
Flood Zone 3	5,845 (5,841)	435 (415)
Risk of Surface Water Flooding 1 in 100 yrs	10,027 (15,274)	1,596 (1,985)

The Flood zone extents have not changed since last year and the number of homes and commercial properties in these areas has only marginally changed. However, the Surface Water Risk dataset used last year has been superseded by a new dataset “Risk of Flooding from Surface Water” and this has resulted in a lot more properties being classified as at risk of surface water flooding.

Indicator 69

Air quality at monitoring stations

The table below sets out the average annual readings from four monitoring stations in Sefton last year (2017) for four types of pollutants. The previous year’s (2016) figures are in red. This information is available at the Sefton Breathing Space website (www.breathingspace.sefton.gov.uk)

	Nitric Oxide/ppb	Nitrogen Dioxide/ $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	Oxides of Nitrogen/ppb	PM10 Particles/ $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
Crosby Road South	14.6 (15.3)	30.0 (32.4)	30.3 (32.2)	19.3 (22.4)
Millers Bridge, Bootle	28.0 (33.0)	40.6 (37.6)	48.8 (52.6)	-
Princess Way	43.7 (47.8)	39.7 (41.7)	63.7 (68.9)	23.1 (23.8)
Waterloo Primary School	23.2 (27.8)	34.9 (31.9)	41.2 (44.2)	21.1 (17.0)

As part of our 2030 vision, Sefton Council is committed to maintaining a clean, green and beautiful borough. This pledge encourages everybody to work together to keep Sefton clean and green, with a commitment to recycling, low pollution and better air quality.

The majority of Sefton’s air quality is of a good standard, however a number of small locations have been identified where targeted actions are being implemented to improve air pollution.

Sefton Council recognises that poor air quality has a negative impact on public health, with potentially serious consequences for individuals, families and communities.

Historically, South Sefton has been more poorly affected by air pollution than north of the borough and all four of the air quality management areas (AQMAs) are in South Sefton. However, air quality is measured and regulated across the borough.

Sefton Council is committed to playing a key role in protecting Sefton’s air. In 2017 it established an Air Quality Strategic Group co-chaired by elected members, and with representatives from a range of disciplines in the Council (e.g. environmental health, public health, planning and transport).

A stocktake has been undertaken against best practice documents from Defra and NICE on tackling air quality. This has directed the identification of key work areas for 2018: communication, alternatives to private vehicle use, vehicle fleet efficiency and promoting low emission transport.

A planning advice note on air quality is being developed with an aim of adoption in 2018. The advice note will direct applicants to the comprehensive document from the Institute of Air Quality Management Land-Use Planning and Development Control: Planning for Air Quality (January 2017) (<http://www.iaqm.co.uk/text/guidance/air-quality-planning-guidance.pdf>).

The draft New Housing Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) states that, in accordance with Local Plan policies IN1 and EQ3:

“Every new dwelling built on site with a dedicated parking space should be provided with an outdoor, weatherproof electric vehicle charging point readily accessible from the dedicated parking space. Additional communal electric vehicle recharging points should be provided at a rate of 1 per every 10 communal parking bays. For developments with 1-9 communal parking spaces, 1 electric vehicle charging point will be required. All EV charging points should be clearly marked as such, and their purpose should be explained to new occupants within their new home welcome pack / travel planning advice. Compliance with the above will be secured via a planning condition”.

Sefton Council has requested that sustainable travel options and increased electric car charging points be included as a strategic priority, in support of clean air and pollution reduction, in Local Growth Fund 3.

The inclusion of fleet recognition schemes in procurement documentation is being explored, to encourage successful applicants for contracts to consider their impact on the environment and realise financial savings through improving efficiency and reducing fuel consumption and emissions.

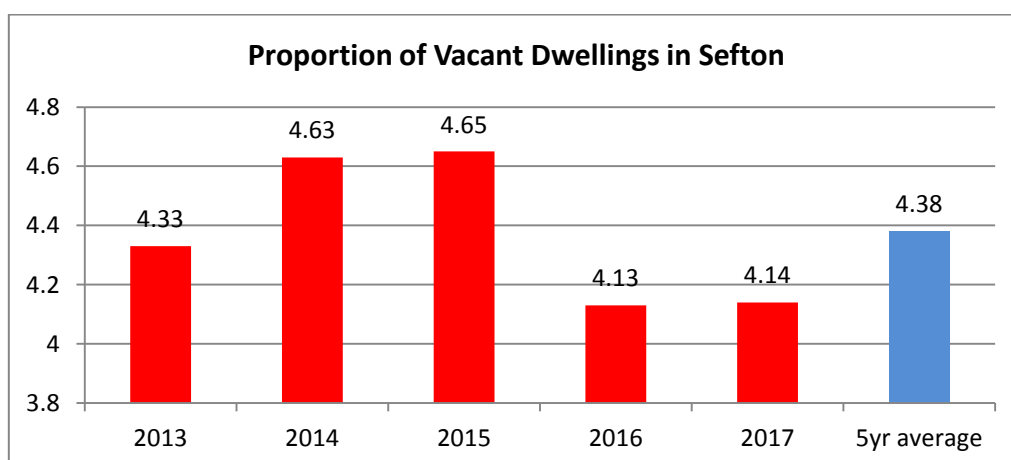
A Clean Air Zone feasibility study for Sefton has been commissioned. It is due to report in the autumn of 2018.

Indicator 70 River Quality

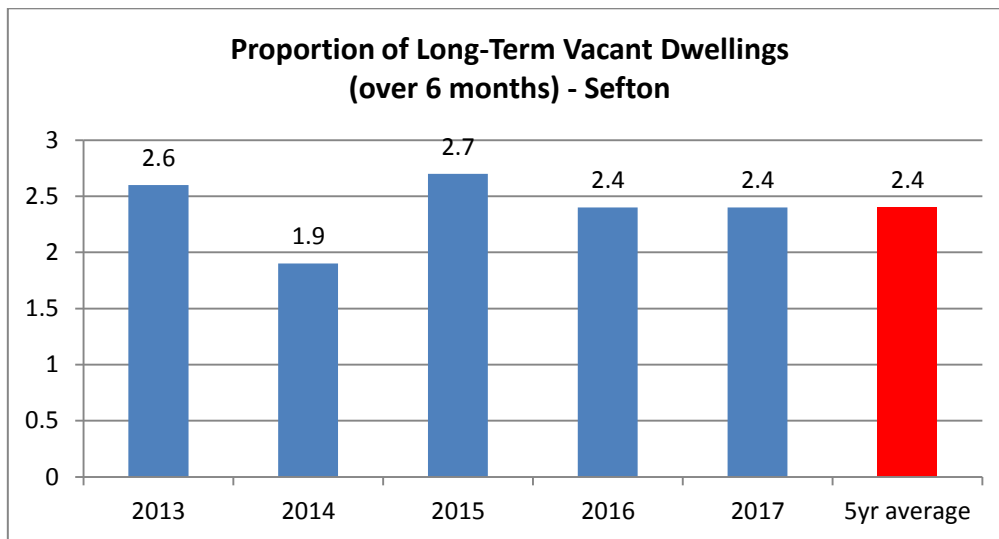
The Environment Agency has not provided data on river quality since 2009. The Council will look at alternative indicators in future monitoring reports.

Indicator 71 Vacant home rate

The vacant home rate in Sefton at April 2017 was 4.14%. This was very similar to the previous year. The chart below shows the vacancy rate over the previous 5 year period.



The chart below shows the proportion of long-term housing vacancies (i.e. those vacant for 6 months or more). This shows that the rate, whilst there has been some movement year on year, the general rate is relatively constant. This is reflective of the difficulties in bringing back longer-term vacant units back into use, as they often require significant renovation.



Indicator 72
Local sites and sites in positive conservation management

The most recent data is from 2014/15. This reported that Sefton had 60 local sites of which 30 (50%) are in positive management. There was data reported for Sefton in 2016/17.

Indicator 73
Number of listed buildings ‘at risk’

The Council List includes 48 listed buildings or structures at risk. Three of these, an increase of one in the past year, are grade II* listed. St Katherine’s Chapel, Lydiate, was added to the list.

Indicator 74
Number of Conservation Areas ‘at risk’

6 Conservation Areas at risk:
 Christchurch, Lord Street, North Meols, Promenade, Waterloo Park and West Birkdale.

This is unchanged since last year.

Indicator 75
Number of Scheduled Ancient Monuments ‘at risk’

1 Scheduled Ancient Monument at risk
 Sefton Old Hall moated site and fishponds

This is unchanged since last year

Indicator 76**Parks with Green Flag status**

There are 12 Green Flag awarded parks in Sefton. This is an increase of 2 since 2015. The parks and gardens with Green Flag status are:

Botanic Gardens, Coronation Park, Derby Park, Duke Street Park, Hatton Hill Park, Hesketh Park, King's Garden, Liverpool Road Cemetery, Lord Street Gardens, North Park, Southport Crematorium, Thornton Chapel of Rest.

Section C

Duty to Cooperate

Duty to Cooperate

The duty to cooperate was created in the Localism Act 2011, and amends the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. It places a legal duty on local planning authorities and public bodies to engage constructively, actively and on an ongoing basis to maximise the effectiveness of Local Plan preparation in the context of strategic cross boundary matters.

Local Authorities must also, through their Authority's Monitoring Report, give details on the actions they have taken during the period covered by the report in co-operating with other local planning authorities and others under the duty.

Sefton Council updated its Duty to Cooperate Statement in July 2015 to accompany submission of the publication Local Plan. During the Local Plan examination representatives from West Lancashire and Liverpool attended the public hearings to support the Local Plan growth strategy. The approach adopted by the Council was found 'sound' by the Local Plan Inspector (Inspector's Report into the Examination of the Sefton Local Plan, March 2017) who stated:

'It is apparent that Sefton Council has actively participated in the long-standing, constructive and on-going co-operation between the six Liverpool City Region (LCR) authorities and West Lancashire Borough Council (WLBC) in plan-making activities.'

Liverpool City Region Statement of Cooperation on Local Planning

On the 6th October 2016 the Council approved a Statement of Cooperation on Local Planning for the Liverpool City Region. The Statement aims to fulfil the duty to cooperate by demonstrating what cooperation is currently being undertaken for the various issues topics affecting the Liverpool City Region. It will also provide an approved mechanism for future and ongoing strategic planning, and identify areas of joint working that will be required in the period 2016 to 2021.

The areas of cooperation are identified as:

- Housing
- Economic Development (including SuperPort)
- Transport (including SuperPort)
- Utilities Infrastructure
- Community Infrastructure
- Environment
- Retail, Leisure and Tourism

The Statement of Cooperation includes an Action Plan for Continued Joint and Strategic working. This identifies the many forms of ongoing liaison, with a key action being the preparation of a LCR Strategic Housing and Employment Market Assessment (SHELMA) to determine future housing and employment need within the City Region, including the impact of SuperPort, beyond the current round of Local Plans being prepared.

The Strategic Housing and Employment Land Market Assessment SHELMA

The six Liverpool City region authorities and West Lancashire agreed to participate in a sub-regional housing and employment study. This will provide the evidence for the need for new housing and employment land across the City Region for the foreseeable future (to 2037).

The Strategic Housing and Employment Land Market Assessment (SHELMA) will use population and household projections, economic forecasts and proposals for economic growth to identify the objectively-assessed housing and employment land need across the City Region as a whole. The Study will indicate options about how each authority could contribute to meeting these needs. It will then form the starting point for discussions between the authorities on the best way to meet those needs across the City Region, taking into account various environmental, infrastructure and planning constraints. Officers from each authority have worked together to draw up a brief for the SHELMA and consultants appointed to carry it out.

The SHELMA will provide key evidence for future strategic planning documents in the Combined Authority and West Lancashire and will be a crucial element of fulfilling the Duty to Co-operate.

The draft SHELMA was published in May 2017 for comment. It is anticipated that the final SHELMA will be published in 2018.

Other Cooperation

During 2016–17, Sefton Council completed a range of activities relating to the Duty to Cooperate with neighbouring authorities and other key stakeholders on strategic planning matters.

Under the Duty to Cooperate, responses were submitted to neighbouring authorities with respect to their Local Plan preparation. This included submitting:

- A response to West Lancashire Borough Council on their scope of their Local Plan
- A response to Liverpool City Council on their draft Local Plan
- A response to St Helens on their Local Plan Preferred Options

Also under the Duty to Cooperate responses were submitted to the emerging Waste Local Plans of non-neighbouring local authorities. Although these may be some distance from Sefton, there is (or there may be the prospect of) a transfer of waste (usually low volumes of hazardous waste which needs specialist treatment) between the authorities. For these responses, the Council is assisted by Merseyside Environmental Advisory Service. This included submitting:

- A joint response with other Liverpool City Region authorities to the Surrey Waste Local Plan
- A joint response with other Liverpool City Region authorities to the Suffolk Minerals & Waste Local Plan
- A joint response with other Liverpool City Region authorities to the North Yorkshire Minerals and Waste Joint Plan

Section D

Progress with Local Development Scheme

This section reports on the timetable set out in the relevant Local Development Scheme (LDS). For the purposes of this year's AMR the relevant LDS is that approved in September 2015. The Local Development Scheme will be updated in 2018.

Local Plan

	LDS date	Actual Date
Submission of Local Plan to SOS	Sep 2015	Jul 2015
Pre-examination Hearing	Sep 2015	Sep 2015
Examination Hearings	Dec 2015	Nov 2015 to Jan 2016
Modification to Local Plan	Jun 2016	Jun 2016
Reconvened Hearings	-	Nov 2016
Receipt of Inspector's Report	Mar 2016	Mar 2017
Adoption of Local Plan	Jun 2016	Apr 2017

The Local Plan was kept largely on track until the examination hearings. To assess additional information the original hearings went into a third month (January 2016). The discussions at the examination hearings also necessitated a substantial number of modifications. The modifications required further assessment (such as Sustainability and Viability Appraisals) and full public consultation. The Inspector, given the complexity and controversial nature of some of the modifications, required the hearings to be reconvened to discuss the modifications. The reconvened hearings took place in November 2016 which resulted in a consequential delay to the publication of the Inspector's Report and adoption.

Statement of Community Involvement

	LDS date	Actual Date
Early consultation	Dec 2015	Mar to May 2017
Draft consultation	Mar 2016	Dec 17 to Jan 2018
Adoption	Sep 2016	Mar 2018

It was always the intention to update the Statement of Community Involvement once the Local Plan had been accepted. As the Local Plan was delayed it was decided to delay the publication of the Statement of Community Involvement. The Local Development Scheme update will provide an updated timetable.

Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)

House Extensions and New Housing

	LDS date	Actual Date
Issues and content consultation	Jun 2015	Jun 2015
Draft consultation	Dec 2015	Dec 2015
Adoption	Mar 2016	Mar 2016

These two SPDs have been completed in accordance with the Local Development Scheme and are now being used for development management purposes. These will be removed from an update of the Local Development Scheme.

Crosby Centre; Land East of Maghull; Nature Conservation; and Unhealthy Uses

	LDS date	Actual Date
Issues and content consultation	Jun 2015	Jun 2015

Draft consultation	Jun 2016	Mar/May 2017
Adoption	Sep 2016	Sept 2017

Following early work on these SPDs the draft documents were delayed until it was known that the parent policies in the Local Plan, were likely to be supported by the Local Plan Inspector. Following the Inspector's Report the Council was confident that the SPDs would be appropriate and consultation began in March 2017. Following consultation these were adopted in September 2017.

Affordable Housing

	LDS date	Actual Date
Issues and content consultation	Jun 2015	Jun 2015
Draft consultation	Jun 2016	Feb to Mar 2018
Adoption	Sep 2016	Tbc

The Affordable Housing SPD was intended to follow the same timetable as a number of other SPDs (see above). However, as the Council was proposing a significantly different approach to calculating affordable housing provision which was being discussed at the Local Plan examination, it was decided not to undertake any substantial work on the SPD until these issues were resolved. The Inspector's Report has supported the Council's approach and work commenced on the SPD in the summer of 2017 with consultation early in 2018.

Community Infrastructure Levy

	LDS date	Actual Date
Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule Consultation	Mar 2016	Jun/Jul 2016
Draft Charging Schedule	Jun 2016	Tbc
Submission for examination	Jun 2016	Tbc
Receipt of Inspector's Report	Sep 2016	Tbc
Adoption	Sep 2016	Tbc

Similar to other documents in the LDS the Community Infrastructure Levy has been delayed to take account of the finalisation of the Local Plan. The Local Plan policies, such as the affordable housing policy and housing mix policy, have significant viability implications. This impacts the potential CIL rates that could be charged in Sefton and therefore it was important to have an adopted Local Plan prior to reaching the draft CIL charging Schedule. Since the publication of the Local Plan the decision to continue with a CIL in Sefton has been indefinitely deferred.

Section E

Neighbourhood Planning

Neighbourhood Planning

There are four neighbouring development plan areas designated in Sefton - Formby and Little Altcar; Maghull; Lydiate; and Melling. These areas are shown on the map on the next page. The Maghull, Melling and Lydiate Neighbourhood Plan areas were all approved in the 2015/16 AMR period.

Formby and Little Altcar

Formby Parish Council initially submitted an application to Sefton Council to designate their parish as a 'neighbourhood area' for the purpose of preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. This was amended to include Little Altcar parish.

The application for designation of a Neighbourhood Development Plan area was approved by Cabinet on 12 September 2013.

Formby and Little Altcar Neighbourhood Plan steering group completed early consultation on their Neighbourhood Plan in December 2016 and are working towards publishing the Neighbourhood Plan during 2018/19.

Maghull

Maghull Town Council submitted an application to Sefton Council to designate their parish as a 'neighbourhood area' for the purpose of preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. The application was approved on 5th February 2015.

Consultation on the draft Maghull Neighbourhood Plan was undertaken during July to October 2017. It is expected that the Neighbourhood Plan will be submitted in March 2018.

Melling

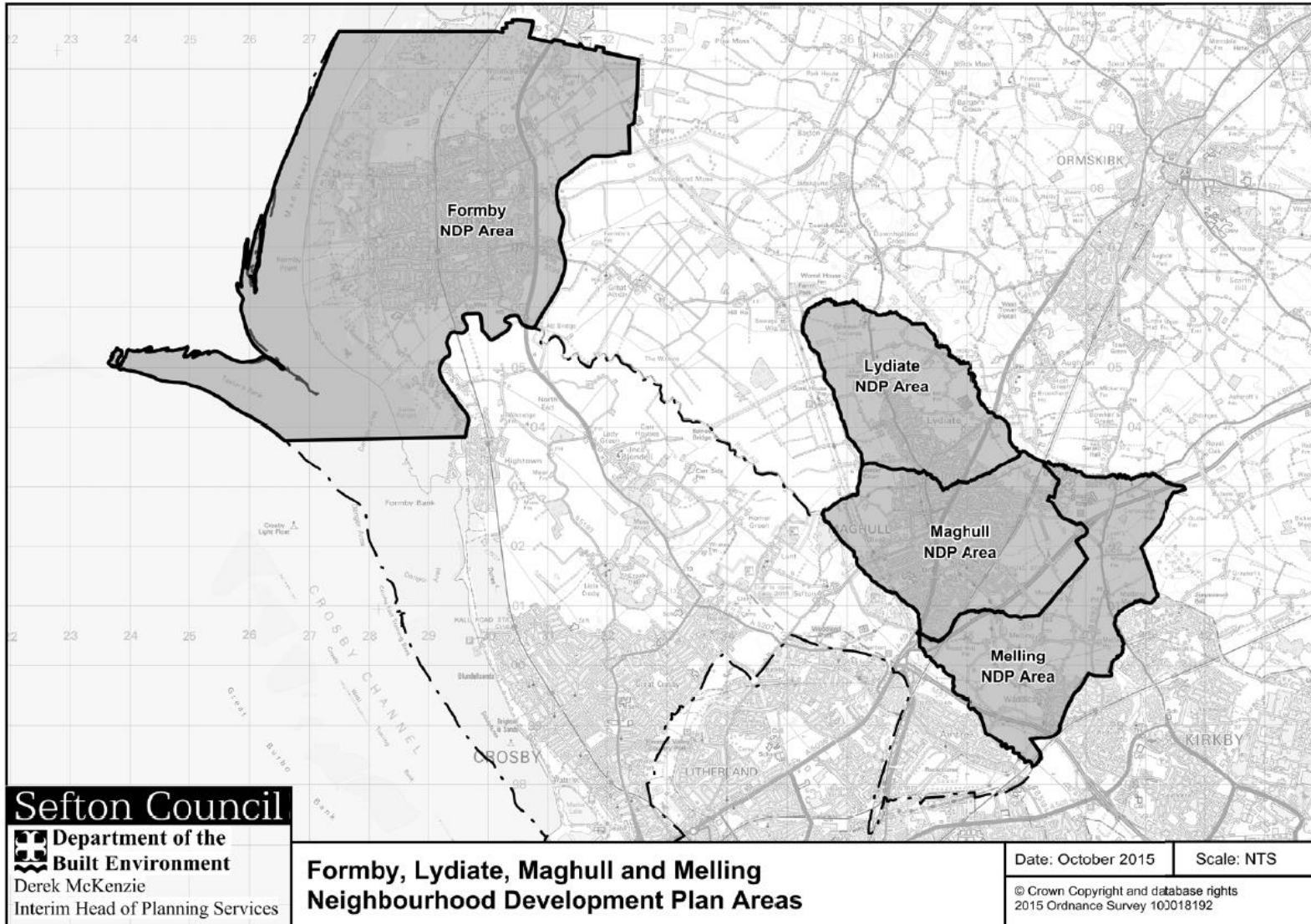
Melling Parish Council submitted a revised application to Sefton Council to designate their parish as a 'neighbourhood area' for the purpose of preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. The application was approved on 5th February 2015.

Melling are currently preparing a draft Neighbourhood Plan with consultation expected during 2018/19.

Lydiate

Lydiate Parish Council submitted an application to Sefton Council on 6th July 2015 to have Lydiate parish designated as a 'neighbourhood area' for the purpose of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. The application was approved on 25th September 2015.

Lydiate are currently preparing a draft Neighbourhood Plan with consultation expected during 2018/19.



Section F

Progress on Infrastructure Working Group Recommendations

Infrastructure Working Group Recommendations

Infrastructure was one of the key concerns that was raised during the consultation on the Local Plan and, to help to alleviate the concerns members and the public had with regards the provision of infrastructure, an Infrastructure Working Group was formed. One of the key roles of the group was to scrutinise the mechanisms for the provision of infrastructure. In this regard the group took presentations from a range of Council Departments [such as education, leisure and housing] and external organisations [including the NHS, Merseytravel and United Utilities].

The Infrastructure Working Group comprised four Councillors [2 from Labour and one from each of the Liberal Democrats and Conservatives]. Following the series of meetings, held between April and August 2014 the group provided a detailed list of 18 recommendations. Upon request a report was provided in June 2015 setting out progress in meeting each of the recommendations. These are provided below with the exception of the response to recommendation 8 which has been updated to take account of later information.

At the meeting of Council of 20th April 2017 the following recommendation was approved:

'the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Regeneration and Skills) be requested to robustly and regularly monitor the implementation of the 18 recommendations proposed by the Local Plan Infrastructure Working Group and adopted by the Cabinet on 15 January 2017.'

Progress on Infrastructure Working Group Recommendations [as at June 2015]

1. The Working Group propose that infrastructure proposals are assessed ensuring that they are sufficient to meet the diverse needs of the local community and mitigate any local adverse effects of development that may result in the failure of Local Plan objectives, recommendations and/or plan policies and to ensure the key principles for the Spatial strategy are met.

Proposals for infrastructure, whether those as separate applications or as part of wider housing schemes, are assessed as part of the planning application process to ensure that they conform to the Local Plan policies. All significant developments are subject to approval by Planning Committee.

2. The Working Group recommends that the Sustainability Appraisal makes specific reference to infrastructure improvements to mitigate any problems, or maximise benefits, identified through the appraisal process. Such opportunities should be clearly highlighted through cross references between the Sustainability Appraisal and the Infrastructure Delivery Plan. Where mitigation is found to be impracticable or the wider impact on surrounding areas unacceptable, alternatives will be sought.

The Sustainability Appraisal identified potential problems that may occur due to new development and recommends appropriate improvements that could help mitigate these. The Sustainability Appraisal also considered the level of growth proposed and potential sites and its conclusions were used to select the strategy that would minimise any unacceptable risks and maximise benefits.

The Local Plan Inspector, in his report to the Local Plan, concluded that the Sustainability Appraisal was adequate. This recommendation of the Infrastructure Working Group is complete.

3. The Working Group propose that account is taken of the local evidence generated by Neighbourhood Plans and policies to ensure a holistic approach to planning within Sefton's Local Plan and associated documents in relation to the provision of infrastructure and community facilities.

Local evidence will be important in Neighbourhood Planning and will be key if communities wish to implement local policies which differ from those in the Local Plan. The Planning Policy Team will continue to support local communities who embark on neighbourhood planning and advise on what level of evidence is suitable.

The Council are expected a number of Neighbourhood Plans to be submitted during 2018 and will continue to support these through to examination and beyond.

4. The Working Group recommend that a report be submitted to Cabinet Members and Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Regeneration and Environmental Services), at the appropriate time, setting out the approach to the Community Infrastructure Levy and the potential relative priorities to be attached to the range of infrastructure needs. This process should be supported by giving priority to locally determined infrastructure needs and government guidance informing how Community Infrastructure Levy contributions should be allocated.

The decision to progress with Community Infrastructure Levy Publication was deferred at Cabinet in 2017.

5. Flood Risk and Drainage: The Working Group recommends that any new development does not increase flood risk from any source within the site and elsewhere, and where possible reduces flood risk.

The Local Plan includes a policy that make this requirement very clear [Policy EQ8]. Work will continue with relevant partners to ensure that these policies are implemented through the development management process.

6. The Working Group is concerned at the impact large development building sites may have on existing communities. The Working Group recommends that a clear policy approach is set out in the Local Plan and Infrastructure Delivery Plan to ensure that the infrastructure needed is provided in a timely manner.

The Local Plan includes policies that make this requirement clear [Policy IN1]. Work will continue with relevant partners to ensure that these policies are implemented through the development management process.

7. The Working Group recommends that the clear policy approach includes measures to reduce or mitigate disruption caused by development including noise, pollution, increased congestion, and traffic impacts on the highway network. The Council is asked to maximise the use of planning conditions and legal agreements to control and mitigate impacts of new development – particularly in relation to traffic management, construction impacts and hours of operation.

The Local Plan includes policies that make this requirement clear [Policy EQ4]. The Development Management team will ensure that these policies are implemented through the development management process.

8. The Working Group recognises the importance of the provision of adequate health provision and infrastructure. The Working Group requests that the Local Plan team work in liaison with the relevant Health officials to ensure that the impact of new homes is managed and planned well in advance so that sufficient health care is provided in the right locations. The Working Group requests that reports are submitted annually by Public Health (supported by Planning Services) to the appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committees on this matter.

The Planning Policy Team has liaised, and will continue, to liaise with our health colleagues to ensure the health needs of existing and new residents are met. The local health providers have medium to longer term aspirations to provide services from more centralised locations and to provide an extended service. The health providers are aware of the proposals in the Local Plan and are confident they can provide the improved service this may require.

9. The Working Group recognises the importance of not only building homes but building communities. The Working Group requests that the Local Plan ensures that sufficient /appropriate community facilities are included in new developments with support from developers.

The Planning process will ensure that essential infrastructure is provided through the development management process and secured through section 106. The need for additional infrastructure will be identified through continued engagement with partners and local residents, including through the neighbourhood planning process.

10. The Working Group recognises the important contribution of green spaces to making Sefton an attractive place to live. The Local Plan should include appropriate policies to protect valuable green spaces – including opportunities for establishing locally determined green space standards through neighbourhood planning, site specific master plans or development briefs. To be eligible to receive Community Infrastructure Levy the Working Group would encourage local communities to consider adopting a Neighbourhood Plan to maximise benefits to their communities.

The Local Plan includes policies that make this requirement clear [Policy EQ9 for new Open Spaces, NH5 for protection of existing Open Space]. Work will continue with relevant partners to ensure that these policies are implemented through the development management process.

11. The Working Group recommends that school places are provided as close as possible to where the need arises. The Working Group recommends that the provision for school facilities be incorporated into the Infrastructure Delivery Plan, with a clear approach to where, how and when additional school places will be provided.

The Infrastructure Delivery Plan identified the broad locations where additional school places are likely to be required. Close liaison with our education colleagues will determine when these are needed and which schools should be expanded. In 2017 the Council adopted a note for developers which set out the areas in which the Council will seek a financial contribution towards primary school provision. These contributions will be secured by section 106 and ring-fenced for local primary school provision.

12. Highways and Transport: The Working Group recommends that any development does not increase the number of additional daily car journeys to socially unacceptable levels and that policies should be included to require large developments to include (and fund) necessary highways improvements subject to them not having an unacceptable impact on the local community; such improvements should include benefits to accessibility and sustainable transport choices such as cycle lanes etc.

The Local Plan includes policies that make this requirement clear [Policies IN2 and EQ3]. Additionally the Local Plan has site specific policies that set out required improvements, such as internal bus routes and highways improvements. We also have an existing Supplementary Planning Document which sets out the requirement for improving sustainable transport within new developments. Transport planners will always be closely involved in major planning applications that result in a number of new homes or commercial developments.

13. The Working Group recognises the importance of adequate public transport and requests that the Local Plan considers ways to improve transport East/West across the borough, including developers' role in assisting with supported transport services.

The Local Plan is likely to have limited impact on the provision of east-west public transport in Sefton. However, the growth proposed in the Local Plan should help ensure that the need for improved east-west links are made a higher priority within future investment plans for sub-regional transport spending.

14. The Working Group recommends that any affordable and/or social housing is developed in a way that ensures 'pepperpotting' as opposed to clustering.

The Local Plan includes policies that make this requirement clear [Policy HC1]. An Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document has been published for comment (February 2018) which sets out clearer

guidance on pepper-potting. Work will continue with relevant partners to ensure that these policies are implemented through the development management process.

15. The Working Group recommends that housing mix in new developments reflects the demographic need for the local community and that appropriate local evidence is used as part of the policy.

We periodically undertake Strategic Housing Market Assessments to identify what type and mix of housing is required in Sefton. This information will be used to ensure that the best mix of housing is provided on site. The Local Plan includes a policy [Policy HC2] that seeks to ensure a minimum proportion of smaller bedroomed homes. These policies are being robustly implemented.

16. The Working Group recommends that the Local Planning Authority in completing the publication draft, revisit policies related to the provision of infrastructure to ensure they are robust so that appropriate infrastructure will be delivered at the right time in the right place. A robust policy approach should be developed to ensure that an equitable balance is achieved between viability from a developers and landowners perspective and the social costs and benefits for the local community.

We are content that the policies in the Local Plan provide a basis for ensuring essential infrastructure is provided where there is a need and at a time when this is needed. This will be managed through the Development Management Process.

17. Sefton Council write to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government expressing concern about the potential risks associated with infrastructure providers and their ability to deliver required infrastructure at the right time and in the right place, and requesting the ability to apply harsher sanctions when planning conditions are unmet. The Secretary of State be asked to issue additional guidelines on viability assessments to include a more 'balanced' approach – including the assessment of community impact and value in addition to developers and landowners considerations.

A letter to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government expressing these points was sent in March 2015.

18. That recommendations 1 to 17 above be monitored through the Authority Monitoring Report being submitted to Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Regeneration and Environmental Services) and Cabinet. This is a requirement for monitoring the implementation of the Local Plan and takes place at least once a year.

This section will be included in the AMR each year.

In addition to the recommendations of the Infrastructure Working Group, at Council on 16 July 2015 the following recommendation was made:

Officers urgently review and update the 'Consequences Study', and undertake further work reviewing the economic forecasts, social impact and related labour supply issues.

The Council subsequently reviewed and updated its Consequences Study which looked at the issues above. This was completed in October 2015 and submitted to the examination library as MI.4.