

**REFERENCE FROM PLANNING POLICY AND LOCAL PLAN COMMITTEE –
FORMAL ADOPTION OF THE LOCAL PLAN FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF
THE PLANNING INSPECTOR’S FINAL REPORT**

**COUNCIL
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UPDATE SHEET

Following the publication of the Council agenda and Document A1 Appendix 3 Main and Minor Mods January 2021 Clean Version for Full Council, it has come to Officers’ attention that a small number of minor corrections ought to be made to the Section 1 Local Plan document if the Council is minded to agree the adoption of the plan, as recommended by the Planning Policy and Local Plan Committee.

These were identified last week by colleagues at Colchester Borough Council in preparation of their report to Full Council who intend to make the corrections to the document before their agenda is published. For consistency, Officers recommend that such corrections are either explicitly agreed by Council or delegated to the Assistant Director of Strategic Planning and Place to make so that the content of the final Local Plan document published by Tendring, Colchester and Braintree is as identical as possible and cannot be challenged for any obvious irregularities.

All of the corrections that have been identified are very much minor and consequential in nature affecting, in the main only the ‘supporting text’ of the Section 1 Local Plan. None are considered to be absolutely essential to the soundness or interpretation of the plan, but in the interest of correctness and taking a consistent approach across the three North Essex Authorities, it is suggested that any corrections are made for the purposes of the final document to be published as the adopted Section 1 Local Plan following Council’s decision.

The identified corrections include:

- Reference to ‘Amendments’ on the cover page to be changed to ‘Modifications’.
- Typographical correction of references to the ‘North Essex authorities’ or North Essex local authorities’ to ‘North Essex Authorities’ (Authorities to have a capital letter) in paragraphs 1.2, 1.3, 6.22, 9.1, 9.2 and 9.3 (Table 1).
- Replacement of references to ‘Part 1’ or ‘Part 2’ of the Local Plan with ‘Section 1’ or ‘Section 2’ in paragraphs 1.30, 1.32, 9.2 reflecting the terminology now used.
- Correction of outstanding references to ‘Garden Communities’ (plural) with ‘Garden Community’ (singular) in paragraphs 1.30, 1.34 and 8.5, heading ‘A’ above paragraph 6.2, the heading title of Chapter 8 and the title of Policy SP8.

- Replacement of reference to 'St. Edmondsbury' Council with 'West Suffolk' in paragraph 1.3.
- Replacement of reference to 'Map 10.1' with 'Key Diagram 10.1' in paragraph 1.14 to reflect its correct name.
- Making the word 'Infrastructure' at the end of the second paragraph of the 'Vision for North Essex' lower case i.e. 'infrastructure'.
- Correction, within paragraph 2.4, of the references to paragraphs 8.4 and F.21 to make them paragraph 8.34 and F.20.
- Update the final sentence of paragraph 2.8 so that rather than stating that the "Essex RAMS Strategy Document was completed in 2019 and will be supported by SPD", it will instead say that it is supported by SPD (reflecting the Council's adoption of the supplementary planning document).
- Deletion of the final sentence of paragraph 3.3 which still refers to the West of Braintree and Braintree Colchester Borders Garden Communities which are now removed from the plan. Similarly, the deletion of the final sentence of paragraph 8.4 which refers to three new garden communities.
- Corrections to paragraph 3.4 to ensure it also no longer refers to a new community being built to the west of Colchester or on the Colchester/Braintree border.
- Replacement of the figure of 1,200 homes for homes allocated in the Tiptree, West Mersea and Wivenhoe to 1,050 to reflect Colchester Borough Council's suggested update to that figure.
- Minor amendments to the final paragraph of Policy SP3 to 1) change the word 'locations' to 'location' to reflect the fact that there is only now one Garden Community; and 2) delete the word 'below' from the phrase 'shown on Map 10.2 below' because it is now contained at the end of the document and not below the policy.
- Correction to the absence of the word 'of' in the reference to the University of Essex at the end of paragraph 5.10.
- Correction of minor typographical error in paragraph 6.2 to remove the unnecessary word 'in' from the phrases "create a community people move in around in a different way.
- Removal from paragraph 6.4 of the reference to 'Braintree' as an urban centre to be served by a rapid transit network, reflecting the removal from the plan of the Garden Communities either side of Braintree.
- Inclusion of the word 'the' in the reference to the Environment Agency in paragraph 6.25.

- Amendments to the wording in the second bullet-point under paragraph 8.3 to replace the word 'for' with 'of' and the inclusion of the word 'disturbance' so it refers to "the production of Recreational disturbance Avoidance and Mitigations Strategies (RAMS)". Also the use of a lower-case 's' in the acronym SPAs.
- Replacement, in paragraph 8.5, of the words "will accommodate a substantial amount of the housing and employment growth" with "will address the housing and employment growth".
- Replace reference to 'North Essex Garden Community' in paragraph 8.6 with 'Tendring/Colchester Borders Garden Community' and change the reference to 'planned new settlements that respond to their regional, local and individual site context' to 'planned new settlement (singular) that responds s to its regional and individual site context'.
- Reference to Policy SP7 to be changed to SP8 in the first sentence of Policy SP9 and the reference to Policy SP5 to be changed to SP6 in section 7 of Policy SP9 to reflect the re-numbering of the policies.
- Replacement of the word 'with' in section 16 of Policy SP9 with the word 'within' so it reads 'Indoor leisure and sports facilities will provided within the new community'.
- Reference to Policy SP7 in paragraph 9.1 to be replaced with SP8 to reflect the re-numbering of the policies.

To ensure minor corrections such as these are addressed prior to the final publication of the adopted Section 1 Plan, it is recommended that, in addition to the main recommendation to agree formal adoption of the Section 1 Local Plan, Council agrees to:-

“Authorise the Assistant Director (Strategic Planning & Place) to correct any administrative/typographical errors remaining within the Section 1 Local Plan before it is published as the final adopted version.”