**CARMARTHENSHIRE**

**REVISED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (2018-2033)**

**EXAMINATION**

**Hearing Session 6 – Climate Change, Renewable Energy, Transportation, Minerals and Waste**

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| **Action Point** | **To be completed by** |
| **AP6/1** -Policy SP16* Criterion d – clarify whether the ‘and/or’ should be ‘and’ or ‘or’? It is unclear at present whether all criteria should be met. Consider additional wording in reasoned justification if it helps to explain the policy intentions.
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/2** - Policy CCH1* Para 1 – remove duplicate wording ‘them meeting’.
* Para 1 – remove reference to pre-assessed areas.
* Clarify in the reasoned justification that renewable energy developments of 10MW and above within local search areas will be determined in accordance with Future Wales.
* Include ‘and’ after criterion b, if it is the intention that all policy criteria should be met.
* Include reference to the local search areas for solar within the policy and reference the Proposals Map.
* Given the representations received and suggested changes, the Council should confirm its revisions to Policy CCH1 with the Welsh Government prior to submitting an amended version to this examination.
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/3** -Policy CCH2* Include within the policy references to best and most versatile agricultural land and high carbon soils, to ensure they are considered alongside the other policy issues.
* Criterion b – clarify what is meant by ‘areas designated for their landscape value’ considering the questions around Policy BHE2 and the Council’s intended approach with that policy.
* Criterion e – should it be an unacceptable as opposed to unreasonable risk, for consistency purposes? If not, what are the differences in this policy?
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/4** -Policy CCH4* Amend policy wording to refer to ‘nutrients’ rather than phosphates.
* Para 2 – as SuDS is covered under separate legislation, consider removing from the policy (if deemed necessary, reference could be included in the reasoned justification).
* Para 4 – the second sentence onwards is administrative. Consider moving this section to the reasoned justification
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/5** - Policy CCH5* Unless the Council can justify why this policy is necessary from a local perspective, given that it repeats national planning policy it should be removed. References to flood risk are made elsewhere in the CRLDP, such as SP16, and the Council could clarify any points from Policy CCH5, such as satisfying the justification tests and referring to the Flood Map for Planning, within the reasoned justification of Policy SP16 for example.
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/6** - Policy CCH6* Para 3 – Clarify if ‘major developments’ means major developments in article 2 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Wales) Order 2012. Consider in the reasoned justification.
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/7** - Policy CCH7* Given the scope and details in Policy PSD4, is Policy CCH7 necessary? What does it add that isn’t already addressed in Policy PSD4? The Council is asked to consider removing the policy and consider whether any details could be incorporated into Policy PSD4 and that policy’s reasoned justification. This could, for example, include the suggested amendments from Natural Resources Wales including references to flood risk management and tree planting.
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/8** - Policy SP17* Criterion 4 – reference Policy SP3
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/9** - Policy TRA2* Para 2 – this section would benefit from clarification in the reasoned justification as to how the Council would determine such proposals. It is unclear on the types of proposals (scale and/or nature). It is also unclear if the Council’s Active Travel Plan is available or to be prepared.
* Clarify in the reasoned justification that the list of Active Travel sites is listed in Appendix 5 of the Plan.

Transport and Accessibility* In response to question 11a of the Matters, Issues and Questions, the Inspectors were seeking clarification on the Council’s parking standards – what they are and what policy basis they have in the submitted RLDP.

The Council should include reference to its parking standards in a policy, whether within an existing (Policy TRA5, for example) or new policy. As suggested by the Council, it would aid clarity if the parking standards were included either in a separate appendix to the Plan (if the standards are already available) or in a separate SPG. | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/10** - Policy SP18* Criterion d – include ‘and’ at the end of this criterion.
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/11** - Policy MR1* Criterion j – include ‘and’ at the end of this criterion.
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/12** - Policy MR2* Include the list of mineral sites with extant planning permissions within the policy.
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| **AP6/13** - Appendix 4: Minerals Sites* Include review dates for the Review of Old Minerals Permissions in the appendix.
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/14** - Policy SP19* Include ‘and’ between criteria (i) and (ii).
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/15** - Policy PSD5* Change policy wording from materials to ‘material’.
* Para 11.311 – amend reference ‘natural material management plan.’
* Clarify which development proposals the policy applies to – the nature and scale of development. This could be explained in para 11.308.
* Include ‘and’ after criterion c.
 | 12 December 2024 |
| **AP6/16** - Policy WM3* Include ‘and’ after criterion c.
 | 12 December 2024 |

General note on Action Points (APs):

These will normally be agreed in principle by the Inspectors and the Council, and any other participant as required, at the end of the relevant hearing session. Where possible the AP will specify an agreed timeframe for completion. If it is not possible to determine the timeframe at the time of discussion, the Council will liaise with the Inspectors over this via the Programme Officer. The Inspectors will send the suggested form of wording for the APs to the Council via the Programme Officer as soon as practicable after the end of a hearing session. Once the Council is satisfied that the contents are accurate, they will be published to the Examination website as soon as possible in the interests of transparency. The Council will work on the schedule of Matters Arising Changes (MACs) in parallel with the APs and their AP responses, ensuring that MACs are accurately recorded at the earliest possible stage. The Inspectors will confirm when they expect to be sent an up to date MAC Schedule; this will normally be in advance of the final hearing session.