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Spatial	Strategy for Shepv	vay		
DSD	Delivering Spatial Development (p.28)	General policy referencing criteria in the NPPF. Sets out how the council will work with developers and partner organisations.	Monitor	AssessmentThe policy promotes an active approach to engaging with applicants and securing infrastructure improvements.The approach remains consistent with national policy and guidance, particularly:• The presumption in favour of sustainable development (NPPF paragraphs 11-16)• Taking decisions on planning applications (NPPF paragraphs 186-7)• Pre-application engagement (NPPF paragraphs 188-95)• Before submitting an application (PPG paragraphs 188-95)• Determining applications (NPPF paragraphs 186-7)• Pre-application engagement (NPPF paragraphs 188-95)• Before submitting an application (PPG paragraphs 10: 20-001- 20150326 - 20-015-20140306)• Determining applications (NPPF paragraphs 196-8)• Planning conditions and obligations (NPPF paragraphs 203-6)RecommendationThere is no need to review Policy DSD under current guidance. However, the situation will need to be monitored, given that the Housing White Paper commits the Government to strengthening national policy related to pre- application discussions and proposes changes to the wording of the presumption in favour of sustainable development ('Fixing our broken housing market', DCLG, February 2017, paragraphs 1.46 and A39).It is therefore recommended that Policy DSD is monitored as the Core Strategy Review progresses to see if a review of the policy becomes necessary.
SS1	District Spatial Strategy	Sets out strategy based on reuse of previously		Assessment The broad approach remains valid and conforms with current policy,

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	(p.38)	developed land in Folkestone. Sets out strategic sites at Folkestone Seafront, Shorncliffe Garrison and Hythe and strategic priorities for character areas. Restricts development outside these areas. Sets out general policy for places in settlement hierarchy (Table 4.3, pp.45-6)	Review	 including: Encouraging effective use of land (NPPF paragraphs 17 and 111) Managing patterns of growth (NPPF paragraph 17) Locating development to minimise the need to travel (NPPF paragraph 34) Promoting a mix of uses (NPPF paragraphs 37-8) <u>Recommendation</u> The focus on previously developed land and sustainable locations remains valid. However, the policy needs to take account of the findings of the Growth Options Study if a different distribution of development is required to meet the development targets identified by the SHMA. The Government may also introduce amendments to national policy to increase the importance given to development on previously developed land and encouraging development at higher densities which may need to be reflected in changes to the policy ('Fixing our broken housing market', DCLG, February 2017, paragraphs A37, A42 and A61). It is therefore recommended that Policy SS1 is reviewed.
SS2	Housing and the Economy Growth Strategy (p.42)	Sets out annual housing target and target for reuse of previously developed land. Table 4.1 within policy also sets out targets for new employment and retail development.	Review	AssessmentThe focus on previously developed land remains valid and of increasing importance in light of proposals in the Housing White Paper (see assessment of Policy SS1 above).The approach of providing jobs through supporting town centres, protecting employment land, allocating new employment land and delivering rural regeneration also remains valid and conforms with:• Supporting economic development (NPPF paragraph 17)

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				 Building a strong, competitive economy (NPPF paragraphs 18-22) Ensuring the vitality of town centres (NPPF paragraphs 23-27 and PPG paragraphs 2b-001-20140306 - 2b-018-20140306) Supporting a prosperous rural economy (NPPF paragraph 28) <u>Recommendation</u> The broad approach of Policy SS2 remains valid; however, the policy needs to take account of the findings of Growth Options Study, SHMA, Employment Land Review and other updated evidence. New housing, employment and retail targets are likely to be needed and specified in an update to the policy. It is therefore recommended that Policy SS2 is reviewed.
SS3	Place-Shaping and Sustainable Settlements Strategy (p.50)	Directs development to settlements in hierarchy (Table 4.3, pp.45-6). Sets out criteria that all development should meet, including in relation to flood risk, density, efficient use of land, historic features, sustainable construction and community facilities.	Review	 <u>Assessment</u> The focus on sustainable settlements and development on previously developed land remains valid (see assessment of Policy SS1 above). The aim of Policy SS3 to protect the open countryside and coastline also conforms with current policy including: Taking account of coastal change (NPPF paragraph 99) Avoiding inappropriate development in vulnerable coastal areas (NPPF paragraph 106) Recognising the character and beauty of the countryside (NPPF paragraph 17, bullet point 5) The sequential approach to flood risk follows national policy as set out in: Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change (NPPF paragraphs 99-104) Flood risk and coastal change (PPG paragraphs 7-001-20140306 - 7-

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				068-20140306)
				Policy SS3 sets out a number of general criteria related to design - regarding density, connectivity, land use, sustainable construction and cultural facilities - which accord with national policy, including:
				 Seeking high quality design, low carbon development, heritage and cultural facilities (NPPF paragraph 17, bullet points 4, 6, 10 and 11) Design (PPG paragraphs 26-001-20140306 - 26-042-20140306) Promoting sustainable transport (NPPF paragraphs 34-8) Requiring good design (NPPF 57-61) Preventing the loss of community facilities (NPPF paragraph 70) Meeting the challenge of climate change (NPPF paragraphs 95-8) Climate change (PPG paragraphs 6-001-20140306 - 6-010-20140306)
				Recommendation
				The general requirements of Policy SS3 remain current. The policy, however, makes reference to the settlement hierarchy: although the roles of most of the settlements in the district are likely to remain unchanged, any proposals for strategic growth at existing towns, or proposals for a new settlement, arising from the Growth Options Study would need to be reflected in updates to the hierarchy.
				It is therefore recommended that Policy SS3 is <u>reviewed</u> .
SS4	Priority Centres of Activity Strategy (p.56)	Sets out Priority Centres of Activity network (shown on Proposals Map and Table 4.4, p.53) for commercial development	Review	Assessment Policy SS4 promotes a 'town centre first' strategy for development including retail, leisure and office uses, as well as active uses on ground floors in the centres. This accords with national policy and guidance, including particularly:
		(use classes A and B). Sets out policy for town centres and Major		 Ensuring the vitality of town centres (NPPF paragraphs 23-7 and PPG paragraphs 2b-001-20140306 - 2b-018-20140306)

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		Employment Sites. Sets		Town centre design (PPG paragraph 26-041-20140306)
		out criteria for mixed-use development on employment land. Promotes active ground floor uses and frontages.		The policy also directs other employment generating uses to town centres, Major Employment Sites or areas of deprivation. This part of the policy conforms with national guidance including Building a strong, competitive economy (NPPF paragraphs 18-22)
				Recommendation
				The general requirements of Policy SS4 remain current. The policy, however, makes reference to the Priority Centres of Activity network which seeks to guide appropriate development to particular centres across the district. Any proposals for strategic growth emerging from the Growth Options Study would need to be reflected in updates to the network.
				The district's range of Major Employment Sites will also need to be reviewed in light of new evidence (the Shepway Employment Land Review), particularly taking account of the requirement in the NPPF that local plans should avoid the long term protection of sites allocated for employment use where there is no reasonable prospect of the sites being developed (NPPF paragraph 22).
				It is therefore recommended that Policy SS4 is <u>reviewed</u> .
SS5	District Infrastructure Planning (p.59)	General policy for securing infrastructure from new development through Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and developer contributions. Reference to infrastructure needs in Appendix 2 (pp.118-26). Promotes efficient use of infrastructure and	Monitor	 <u>Assessment</u> The policy requirement that development should contribute to the district's current and future infrastructure needs accords with national policy, including: Planning positively for the provision of infrastructure (NPPF paragraph 157, bullet point 1 and paragraph 162) Addressing potential barriers to investment (NPPF paragraph 21) Securing transport infrastructure (NPPF paragraph 31) Supporting high quality communications infrastructure (NPPF

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		sustainable transport.		 paragraphs 42-6) Social, recreational and cultural facilities (NPPF paragraph 70) Spaces and facilities for sport and recreation (NPPF paragraph 73)
				Recommendation
				The broad principles of Policy SS5 remain current, but the policy was adopted before the adoption of the Community Infrastructure Levy in 2016. The policy could be updated with small changes to the wording to reflect this.
				However, the situation will need to be monitored, given that the Government will make an announcement on the reform of developer contributions in the Autumn Budget ('Fixing our broken housing market', paragraph 2.29). Although any changes to the system are likely to take a number of years, there are nevertheless likely to come into effect over the plan period of the Core Strategy Review and may need to be reflected in amended policy wording.
				It is therefore recommended that Policy SS5 is <u>monitored</u> as the Core Strategy Review progresses to see if a review of the policy becomes necessary.
SS6	Spatial Strategy	Allocates strategic site at		Assessment
	for Folkestone Seafront (pp.65- 6)	Folkestone Seafront for mixed use development including up to 1,000		Policy SS6 sets out detailed criteria for a major mixed use development at Folkestone Seafront.
		homes, retail, office, community, leisure and sport uses. Sets out criteria for masterplanning, design, phasing, developer contributions,	Maintain existing	The allocation – in terms of its land uses, location and design requirements - remains in conformity with national guidance, including:
			policy	 Encouraging the effective use of previously developed land, promoting mixed use developments, focussing significant development in sustainable locations (NPPF paragraph 17) Ensuring the vitality of town centres (NPPF paragraph 23)

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		water efficiency, flood risk, and environmental mitigation.		 Minimising the need to travel (NPPF paragraph 34) Promoting a mix of uses (NPPF paragraph 38) Delivering a wide choice of high quality homes including affordable housing (NPPF paragraph 50) Requiring good design (NPPF paragraphs 56-66) Delivering social, recreational, cultural and community facilities (NPPF paragraph 70) Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change (NPPF paragraphs 99-104) Preserving and enhancing the historic environment (NPPF paragraph 126) Allocating sites to promote development and the flexible use of land (NPPF paragraph 157, bullet point 5) <u>Recommendation</u> The allocation remains in conformity with national guidance and in addition the site has planning permission. It is therefore recommended that Policy SS6 is not reviewed.
SS7	Spatial Strategy for Shorncliffe Garrison, Folkestone (pp.71-2)	Allocates strategic site at Shorncliffe Garrison for around 1,200 dwellings, community facilities, enhancements to sports and green infrastructure and transport improvements. Sets out criteria for masterplanning, design, phasing, developer contributions, water efficiency, flood risk,	Maintain existing policy	 <u>Assessment</u> Policy SS7 sets out detailed criteria for a major mixed use development at Shorncliffe Garrison, Folkestone. The allocation – land uses, location and design requirements - remains in conformity with national guidance, including: Encouraging the effective use of previously developed land, promoting mixed use developments, focussing significant development in sustainable locations (NPPF paragraph 17) Minimising the need to travel (NPPF paragraph 34) Delivering a wide choice of high quality homes including affordable

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		and environmental mitigation.		 housing (NPPF paragraph 50) Requiring good design (NPPF paragraphs 56-66) Delivering social, recreational, cultural and community facilities (NPPF paragraph 70) Access to high quality open spaces (NPPF paragraph 73) Remediating contaminated land (NPPF paragraph 109) Creating networks of green infrastructure (NPPF paragraph 114) Green infrastructure (PPG 8-027-2160211 - 8-031-20160211) Preserving and enhancing the historic environment (NPPF paragraph 126) Allocating sites to promote development and the flexible use of land (NPPF paragraph 157, bullet point 5) <u>Recommendation</u> The allocation remains in conformity with national guidance and in addition the site has planning permission. It is therefore recommended that Policy SS7 is not reviewed.
Core S	trategy Delivery			
CSD1	Balanced Neighbourhoods for Shepway (p.73)	Promotes creation of balanced neighbourhoods. Sets out requirement for affordable housing and for affordable housing for rural 'exception' sites.	Review	AssessmentPolicy CSD1 remains in general conformity with national guidance, including:• Delivering a wide choice of high quality homes, providing a mix of housing and providing affordable housing (NPPF paragraph 50)• Securing affordable housing in rural areas (NPPF paragraph 54)RecommendationAlthough Policy CSD1 remains in general conformity with NPPF policies,

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				 the policy will need to be reviewed to reflect: Changes to planning obligations affecting the provision of affordable housing (PPG paragraph 23b-031-20161116) Updated evidence on the objectively assessed needs for market and affordable housing set out in the SHMA (NPPF paragraph 47) Likely changes to the definition of affordable housing set out in national guidance, as set out in the Housing White Paper ('Fixing our broken housing market', paragraphs A119-122) It is therefore recommended that Policy CSD1 is reviewed.
CSD2	District Residential Needs (p.76)	Sets requirement that at least half of new homes by 2026 will be three bedroom or larger dwellings. Sets percentage of dwellings that are required to meet Lifetime Homes standards. Contains criteria for proposals for care accommodation. States that provision for travellers will be made in Local Plans.	Review	 <u>Assessment</u> Policy CSD2 is in general conformity with national guidance including: Planning for a mix of housing based on demographic trends, including homes for older people (NPPF paragraph 50) Need for different types of housing (PPG 12-006-20150320) Planning policy for traveller sites (CLG, 2015) <u>Recommendation</u> Although Policy CSD2 remains in general conformity with NPPF policies, the policy will need to be reviewed to reflect: Updated evidence on the need for different types of housing set out in the SHMA The likelihood that national guidance will be amended to require more specific policies for addressing the housing requirements of groups with particular needs - such as older and disabled people - as set out in the Housing White Paper ('Fixing our broken housing market', paragraphs A21-24) The likelihood that national guidance will be amended to give greater weight to design standards, such as Building for Life ('Fixing our broken

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				housing market', paragraphs A65) New guidance is also awaited from Government on the assessment of needs for gypsies and travellers and this may necessitate a revision to the policy. It is therefore recommended that Policy CSD2 is reviewed.
CSD3	Rural and Tourism Development of Shepway (p.80)	Restricts development outside settlements in the hierarchy other than for certain purposes, including affordable housing, agriculture, tourism, community facilities, etc. Restricts loss of rural facilities. Allows for development for tourism, recreation and economic uses within settlements in network.	Maintain existing policy	AssessmentPolicy CSD3 meets national guidance, particularly:• Supporting a prosperous rural economy (NPPF paragraph 28)• Preventing the unnecessary loss of facilities and services (NPPF paragraph 70)• Protecting valued landscapes (NPPF paragraph 109)• Conserving landscapes (PPG paragraph 8-001-20140306)• Conserving landscapes in Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (NPPF paragraph 115)• Creating networks of green infrastructure (NPPF paragraph 114)• Green infrastructure (PPG paragraphs 8-027-2160211 - 8-031-20160211)RecommendationCSD3 is a general policy that does not set specific targets for development and remains in accordance with national policy.It is therefore recommended that Policy CSD3 is not reviewed.
CSD4	Green Infrastructure of Natural Networks, Open Spaces	Promotes improvements to green infrastructure network and prevents loss. Criteria set out level of	Maintain existing policy	Assessment Policy CSD4 meets national guidance, particularly: • Conserving and enhancing the natural environment (NPPF paragraph

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	and Recreation (p.85)	protection for sites of international, national and local importance. Criteria state that green infrastructure network will be managed to: adapt to climate change; for biodiversity; access; sense of place; and to tackle deficiencies. Reference made to Figure 5.3: Green Infrastructure Network.		 17, bullet point 7 and paragraphs 109-117) Landscapes (PPG paragraphs 8-001-20140306 - 8-006-20140306) Biodiversity and ecosystems (PPG paragraphs 8-007-20140306 - 8-023-20140306) Creating networks of green infrastructure (NPPF paragraph 114) Green infrastructure (PPG 8-027-2160211 - 8-031-20160211) Recommendation CSD4 is a general policy that remains in accordance with national policy. Figure 5.3 (page 82) shows strategic sites and major areas of change; this could require updating if new strategic sites are proposed as part of the Core Strategy Review, however the policy wording does not require updating. It is therefore recommended that Policy CSD4 is not reviewed.
CSD5	Water and Coastal Environmental Management in Shepway (p.90)	Requires development to contribute to sustainable water management by protecting water reserves, managing wastewater infrastructure and promoting resilience to climate change. Requires water standard of 105 litres/person/day for new dwellings. Requires no increase in surface water runoff and sustainable drainage features.	Maintain existing policy	AssessmentPolicy CSD5 meets national guidance, particularly:• Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change (NPPF paragraphs 93-99)• Water supply, wastewater and water quality (PPG paragraphs 34-001- 20161116 - 34-020-20140306)In addition the water standards set out in the policy meet the national Water Efficiency Standards, where a clear need for tighter standards is demonstrated by evidence (PPG paragraphs 56-013-20150327 - 56-017- 20150327). (The enhanced standard is 110/litres/person/day including a fixed factor of water for outdoor use of 5 litres/person/day, resulting in a standard of 105 litres/person/day for new dwellings.)Recommendation

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				CSD5 remains in accordance with national policy. It is therefore recommended that Policy CSD5 is <u>not</u> reviewed.
CSD6	Central Folkestone Strategy (p.95)	General policy requiring public realm improvements and improved connectivity in Folkestone town centre. Defines 'spatial arcs' to central/west and seafront/creative quarter and includes criteria related to design, public realm, transport improvements, connectivity and tourism and other uses.	Maintain existing policy	Assessment Policy CDS6 meets national guidance including: • Encouraging the effective use of previously developed land, promoting mixed use developments, focussing significant development in sustainable locations (NPPF paragraph 17) • Ensuring the vitality of town centres (NPPF paragraph 23) • Minimising the need to travel (NPPF paragraph 34) • Making use of opportunities for sustainable modes of transport (NPPF paragraph 35) • Promoting a mix of uses (NPPF paragraph 38) • Requiring good design (NPPF paragraph 38) • Requiring sufficient choice of school places (NPPF paragraph 69) • Ensuring sufficient choice of school places (NPPF paragraph 72) • Preserving and enhancing the historic environment (NPPF paragraph 126) • Allocating sites to promote development and the flexible use of land (NPPF paragraph 157, bullet point 5) Recommendation CSD6 remains in accordance with national policy and the policy requirements are still relevant to development within central Folkestone and the wider development strategy for the district. It is therefore recommended that Policy CSD6 is not reviewed.
CSD7	Hythe Strategy (p.98)	Encourages high quality development that respects	Maintain existing	Assessment

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		the historic character of the town. Sets out priorities for investment including employment areas, primary and secondary schools, tourist accommodation and visitor attractions, flood defences, public realm and public transport improvements.	policy	 Policy CDS7 meets national guidance including: Encouraging the effective use of previously developed land, promoting mixed use developments, focussing significant development in sustainable locations (NPPF paragraph 17) Ensuring the vitality of town centres (NPPF paragraph 23) Minimising the need to travel (NPPF paragraph 34) Making use of opportunities for sustainable modes of transport (NPPF paragraph 35) Promoting a mix of uses (NPPF paragraph 38) Requiring good design (NPPF paragraph 38) Requiring safe and accessible environments (NPPF paragraph 69) Ensuring sufficient choice of school places (NPPF paragraph 72) Preserving and enhancing the historic environment (NPPF paragraph 126) Allocating sites to promote development and the flexible use of land (NPPF paragraph 157, bullet point 5) Recommendation CSD7 remains in accordance with national policy and the policy requirements are still relevant to development within Hythe and the wider development strategy for the district. It is therefore recommended that Policy CSD7 is not reviewed.
CSD8	New Romney Strategy (pp.104- 5)	Encourages high quality development that respects the historic character of the town. Supports enhancement of New Romney as a key market town, further employment	Monitor	 <u>Assessment</u> Policy CDS8 meets national guidance including: Encouraging the effective use of previously developed land, promoting mixed use developments, focussing significant development in sustainable locations (NPPF paragraph 17) Ensuring the vitality of town centres (NPPF paragraph 23)

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		at Mountfield Road. Identifies broad location for 300 dwellings with improved linkages, upgrade of primary school and archaeological, flood risk and highway mitigation. Development should contribute to improved crossing points, improved setting of historic buildings and community facilities.		 Minimising the need to travel (NPPF paragraph 34) Making use of opportunities for sustainable modes of transport (NPPF paragraph 35) Promoting a mix of uses (NPPF paragraph 38) Requiring good design (NPPF paragraphs 56-66) Promoting safe and accessible environments (NPPF paragraph 69) Ensuring sufficient choice of school places (NPPF paragraph 72) Preserving and enhancing the historic environment (NPPF paragraph 126) Allocating sites to promote development and the flexible use of land (NPPF paragraph 157, bullet point 5) Recommendation CSD8 remains in accordance with national policy and the policy requirements are still relevant to development within New Romney and the wider development strategy for the district. Broad locations identified in policy for housing development now have planning permission and some sites are under construction. The policy for New Romney may, however, need reviewing depending on how the strategic allocation in the Places and Policies Local Plan for Land to the South of New Romney (Policy RM5) progresses through the Local
				Plan consultation and examination. It is therefore recommended that Policy CSD8 is <u>monitored</u> as the Core Strategy Review progresses to see if a review of the policy becomes necessary.
CSD9	Sellindge Strategy (p.108)	Broad location identified for approximately 250 dwellings, village green/common, pedestrian	Monitor	Assessment Policy CDS9 meets national guidance including: • Delivering a wide choice of high quality homes including affordable

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		and cycle improvements, primary school extension, community facilities and wastewater infrastructure.	 housing (NPPF paragraph 50) Delivering social, recreational, cultural and community facilities (NPPF paragraph 70) Access to high quality open spaces (NPPF paragraph 73) Minimising the need to travel (NPPF paragraph 34) Making use of opportunities for sustainable modes of transport (NPPF paragraph 35) Requiring good design (NPPF paragraphs 56-66) Promoting safe and accessible environments (NPPF paragraph 72) Allocating sites to promote development and the flexible use of land (NPPF paragraph 157, bullet point 5) Water supply, wastewater and water quality (PPG paragraphs 34-001-20161116 - 34-020-20140306) Recommendation CSD9 remains in accordance with national policy and the policy requirements are still relevant to development at Sellindge and the wider development strategy for the district. The strategy for Sellindge could, however, need to be reviewed to reflect the findings of the Growth Options Study if a different distribution of development is required to meet the development targets identified by the SHMA. It is therefore recommended that Policy CSD9 is monitored as the Core Strategy Review progresses to see if a review of the policy becomes necessary. 	
Potent	Potential New Policy Requirements			

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	Developments	developments.	new policy may be required	The Government is committed to amending the NPPF to state that authorities must have policies that support the development of small windfall sites and indicate that great weight should be given to using small undeveloped sites within settlements for homes ('Fixing our broken housing market', paragraph 1.30).
				Recommendation
				A new policy, setting out general criteria for assessing applications for 'windfall' sites (smaller sites not identified in the plan) may be needed. Alternatively some criteria could be added to Policy SS1 on windfall development if that policy is reviewed.
				It is therefore recommended that this policy requirement is <u>monitored</u> as the Core Strategy Review progresses to see if a new policy becomes necessary.
	pol	allocate strategic site(s) following results of Growth		Assessment
				Depending on the findings of the Growth Options Study and the need for a different distribution of development, a new policy or policies could be required to meet the development targets identified by the SHMA.
			Recommendation	
			New policy/ policies required	The policy could allocate a new settlement or alternatively growth areas around existing settlements. The policy would need to identify the boundary of the site(s) and set out general criteria, covering the quantity and form of development, principles to be applied to proposals (such as design, sustainability, energy and waste, etc), infrastructure improvements and other considerations. More detailed requirements could be set out in masterplans supporting the general policy criteria.
				It is therefore recommended that a new policy or policies are

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				developed for the Core Strategy Review.
	Small sites	Policy/policies needed to allocate small sites.	New policy/ policies required	AssessmentThe Government may introduce a requirement for 10% of sites allocated in plans for residential development to be under 0.5ha, although the details of this proposal are unclear ('Fixing our broken housing market', paragraph A55).RecommendationA new policy or policies may be required allocating small sites, in line with the proposals in the Housing White Paper. It is not yet clear whether this would apply to all plans (including more strategic plans such as the Core Strategy) or only to more detailed plans. (The Places and Policies Local