Local Sustainability Objectives for Wirral

SOCIAL INCL	SOCIAL INCLUSION				
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator		
To promote a balanced population structure	 Will the policy or proposal retain and promote factors conducive to social regeneration Will the policy or proposal provide for jobs, services and facilities that will attract and retain the working age population 	 Population change Population structure Population forecasts Migration rates 	Anticipated population change Anticipated population structure		
To reduce the incidence of multiple deprivation	 Will the policy or proposal provide for a service or facility that will address an identified local deficiency or inequality Will the policy or proposal include measures to improve economic, social and environmental conditions in areas of greatest need Will the policy or proposal assist in closing the gap between standards of living and opportunity 	 Indices of Multiple Deprivation Population by socio-economic grouping Educational attainment 	 Is site within, near or adjacent to an area of greatest need (within lowest 20% of IMD scores)? Will the site meet an identified local need? Also see indicators for the objectives 'To meet identified local housing needs and promote housing market renewal' and 'To provide for employment growth and business creation' 		
To promote the accessibility of services and facilities to all sectors of society	 Will the policy or proposal improve access to modern health and social care services Will the policy or proposal provide a service or facility that will address an identified local deficiency Will the policy or proposal provide for access for people with restricted mobility Will the policy or proposal promote 	Percentage of residential households with the most accessible areas Percentage of industrial and commercial premises within the most accessible areas	 Distance and linkages to nearest NHS hospital (from edge of site and from site centroid) Distance and linkages to nearest NHS GP medical (from edge of site and from site centroid) Distance and linkages to nearest NHS Dentist (from edge of site and from site centroid) Distance and linkages to nearest NHS Distance and linkages to nearest NHS 		

SOCIAL INCL	SOCIAL INCLUSION			
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator	
	affordable transport links to areas of greatest need		pharmacy (from edge of site and from site centroid) Distance and linkages to nearest Primary School (from edge of site and from site centroid) Distance and linkages to nearest Secondary School (from edge of site and from site centroid) Also see indicators for the objectives 'To promote the vitality and viability of town centres' and 'To promote sustainable travel choices'	
To meet identified local housing needs and promote housing market renewal	 Will the policy or proposal provide for development that will meet an identified local housing need Will the policy or proposal support the provision of modern affordable housing in areas of greatest need Will the policy or proposal support the promotion of housing market renewal Will the policy or proposal assist in reducing the number of unfit and vacant properties 	 Dwelling stock by size and tenure Number and percentage of unfit and vacant properties Average house prices by area Number of homes completed in the HMRI Pathfinder Intervention Area 	 Anticipated dwelling stock by size, type and tenure Will the site meet an identified local housing need? Also see indicators for the objectives 'To reduce the incidence of multiple deprivation'; 'To maintain and promote a locally distinctive sense of place'; and 'To protect and improve the attractiveness of the area' 	
To promote inclusive, healthy communities	 Will the policy or proposal promote healthy lifestyles Will the policy or proposal protect or improve public health and safety 	 Life expectancy at birth Mortality by main cause (standardised mortality ratios) Teenage conceptions 	 Distance to nearest public open space (from edge of site) and size and type of public open space Percentage of site within 400m walking distance of public open space of 1.5 ha 	

SOCIAL INCL	USION		
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
	 Will the policy or proposal assist in addressing health inequalities Will the policy or proposal make appropriate provision for the needs of vulnerable people 	 Proportion of the working age population claiming incapacity benefit or employment and support allowance Activity rates 	or above Also see indicators for the objectives 'To promote the accessibility of services and facilities to all sectors of society'; 'To promote the vitality and viability of town centres'; and 'To promote sustainable travel choices'
SUSTAINABL	E CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION		
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
To promote improved economic performance	 Will the policy or proposal provide for an increase in output and productivity and improved economic performance Will the policy or proposal secure adequate provision for new and emerging target sectors 	 GVA per head GVA as percentage of national performance Economic activity rates 	Estimated benefits from construction and increased use of services assumed standard for all dwellings Also see indicators for the objectives 'To provide for employment growth and business creation'
To provide for employment growth and business creation	 Will the policy or proposal encourage an increase in local employment Will the policy or proposal secure the provision of attractive land and premises Will the policy or proposal assist business creation and support business growth Will the policy and proposal exploit local strengths and maximise the use of key facilities 	 Employment by sector Births and deaths of enterprises Amount of land developed for employment by type 	 Anticipated employment generated by construction (if known) Anticipated employment supported in associated services (retailing and furnishings etc) (if known)

SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION			
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
To reduce worklessness and income deprivation	 Will the policy or proposal contribute towards reducing unemployment and income deprivation Will the policy or proposal contribute towards meeting the employment needs and aspirations of local people Will the policy or proposal promote job opportunities that will be genuinely accessible to people in greatest need 	 Jobseekers allowance claimants by age and duration Average weekly earnings 	Assumed standard for all dwellings Also see indicators for the objectives 'To provide for employment growth and business creation' and 'To reduce the incidence of multiple deprivation'
To promote the vitality and viability of town centres	 Will the policy or proposal contribute to the vitality and viability of an existing centre Will the policy or proposal promote the location of appropriate jobs and services within existing centres Will the policy or proposal restrict development that would harm the vitality and viability of existing centres Will the policy or proposal encourage a sequential approach to site selection 	 Results of centre health checks including vacancy rates and retail rents Amount of new retail, office and leisure development 	Distance from nearest town, district or local centre or shopping parade (edge of site)
To maximise provision for high quality tourism	 Will the policy or proposal protect and improve existing tourism resources Will the policy or proposal encourage the development of local tourism and visitor facilities Will the policy or proposal hinder the 	 Number of visitors to Wirral and the City Region by duration and average expenditure Number of visitors to top tourists/visitor facilities Number of bedspaces 	Benefits from population change assumed standard for all dwellings

SUSTAINABLE	CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION		
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
	attraction additional visitors and tourism investment	Employment in tourism	
ENVIRONMEN	TAL PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT		
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
To maintain and improve biodiversity and natural habitats	biodiversity or contribute to habitat creation	 Number and area of sites designated for nature conservation and geological importance The condition of SSSI 	 Does the site contain or lie within or adjacent or have linkages to an identified biodiversity or geological asset? Is the site functionally linked to a European Site?
To minimise pollution to land, water or air	 Will the policy or proposal provide for the prevention or minimisation of pollution at source Will the policy or proposal provide for the remedy or treatment of an existing source of pollution Will the policy or proposal protect or improve the quality of ground, surface and coastal waters Will the policy or proposal minimise the loss of productive land and the opportunity for land contamination 	Management AreasNumber of days air pollution is moderate	 Area and quality of agricultural land expected to be affected by development Is the site adjacent to a main watercourse Is the site within or adjacent to a designated ground water protection zone Will the proposal treat or remove contaminated or derelict land

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT			
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
	 Will the policy or proposal minimise the likelihood of light or noise intrusion Will the policy or proposal protect or improve air quality and serve to reduce the emission of greenhouse gases 	or the number of sites no longer scheduled for further inspection under Wirral's Contaminated Land Strategy as a result of development • Area and percentage of high quality agricultural land lost to development	
To conserve local heritage	 Will the policy or proposal provide for the conservation of designated conservation areas Will the policy or proposal provide for the preservation of listed buildings and structures Will the policy or proposal conserve other locally important buildings or townscapes Will the policy or proposal promote the protection of archaeology 	Conservation AreasNumber, area and condition of designated	 Does the site contain or lie within or affect the setting of an identified heritage asset Is the site or the immediate surrounding area important for archaeology
To provide for the separation of incompatible land uses	 Will the policy or proposal protect the amenity of sensitive uses such as residential areas, hospitals and nursing homes Will the policy or proposal direct activities likely to cause nuisance away from sensitive uses such as residential areas, hospitals and nursing homes Will the policy or proposal minimise 	 Number of Part A Processes Number of homes falling within the consultation distance of a Part A industrial process Number of homes falling within a major hazard consultation zone Number and type of noise complaints 	 Proximity to a registered industrial process Is the site within a major hazard consultation zone Is the site subject to any other hazard or development constraint (source of noise, smells, airport safeguarding etc.) Also see indicators for the objectives 'To minimise the impact of flooding and other

Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
	the opportunity for hazards and accidents and maximise public safety		natural hazards'
To reduce the impact of traffic intrusion in residential areas	 Will the policy or proposal seek to minimise the impact of traffic on residential roads Will the policy or proposal route commercial and other traffic to main routes away from residential areas Will the policy or proposal assist in the reduction of traffic congestion and vehicle emissions 	 Number of persons killed or seriously injured in road accidents Number of children killed or seriously injured in road accidents Number of dwellings and associated population identified as 'First Priority' for further investigation in DEFRA Noise Action Plan Number of road traffic congestion points 	Is the site on or near a traffic volume o capacity 'hotspot' Also see indicators for the objectives 'To promote sustainable travel choices'

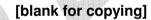
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
To maximise the use of previously developed urban land	 Will the policy or proposal maximise the use of previously developed urban land and buildings Will the policy or proposal restrict development on previously undeveloped urban land and other urban open spaces Will the policy restrict development in the open countryside 	 Proportion of new houses built or converted on previously developed land Proportion of new commercial development on previously developed land Area of land on the National Land Use Database 	Area and percentage of site of previously developed brownfield land to be developed
To minimise the reliance on non-renewable	I brokenski	Percentage of energy consumption from renewable and waste sources	Anticipated percentage of energy consumption from renewable sources (if

NATURAL RES	NATURAL RESOURCES				
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator		
energy sources	 Will the policy or proposal minimise the use of non-renewable energy sources, promote fuel efficiency and energy conservation Will the policy or proposal promote the use on new and clean technologies 		known)		
To promote sustainable drainage and water conservation	 Will the policy or proposal minimise the impact on the water environment Will the policy or proposal maximise water conservation Will the policy or proposal provide for sustainable drainage systems 	 Proportion of development incorporating sustainable drainage systems Average water consumption per capita household 	 Does the site contain ponds and drainage ditches Capacity of surface water drainage (if known) Capacity of foul drainage (if known) Site levels and catchment for run-off 		
To minimise waste generation and maximise recycling	 will the policy or proposal promote waste reduction will the policy or proposal provide for an increased rate of domestic and commercial recycling will the policy or proposal minimise the amount of waste going to landfill will the policy or proposal promote the use of recycled materials in construction projects 	Annual volume and proportion of waste sent to landfill, recycled and composted	Anticipated percentage of use of recycled materials (if known) Waste generation assumed to be standard for all new dwellings		

NATURAL RES	OURCES		
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
To minimise the impact of flooding and other natural hazards	 Will the policy or proposal restrict development in areas of recognised risk Will the policy or proposal only permit development following an appropriate assessment of flood risk Will the policy or proposal promote development that will withstand the impact of climate change 	 Amount of land potentially liable to flooding Proportion of completed new development sites in the Environment Agency flood zones 2 & 3 The number of planning approvals contrary to Environment Agency advice Amount of land where development is permitted in areas at risk from coastal erosion 	Zone Is the site within or adjacent to an area known to be subject to surface, ground or sewer flooding
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
To maintain and promote a locally distinctive sense of place	 Will the policy or proposal provide for development that will respect the distinctive character of the locality Will the policy or proposal promote high quality urban design Will the policy or proposal promote the conservation of distinctive landscapes and other natural features such as, trees, hedges, ponds, rivers and coastlines 	 Area of Green Belt Area of natural and semi-natural greenspace lost to development Landscape character assessment Number and area of open spaces with Green Flag Awards 	 Does the site contain any locally distinctive features such as stone walls Would development be consistent with the latest Wirral Landscape Character Assessment

QUALITY OF LIFE			
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
To protect and improve the attractiveness of the area	 Will the policy or proposal serve to promote the well-being of the area Will the policy or proposal serve to minimise any negative perceptions about the area Will the policy or proposal serve to promote the social, economic and environmental regeneration of areas of greatest need 	 Number of groups involved in decision-making Number of Code for Sustainable Homes Certificates issued Number of new non-residential buildings achieving "Very Good" or better score on the BREEAM rating scheme 	 Does the site contain hedges, trees, ponds or woodlands Is any part of the site subject to a Tree Preservation Order Setting of the site in the existing landscape
To maximise opportunities for culture, sport and leisure	 Will the policy or proposal retain adequate provision of facilities for culture, sport and leisure Will the policy or proposal promote additional provision to meet identified needs Will the policy or proposal serve to assist in the promotion of local culture and history 	 Type, number and location of facilities for sport, recreation and leisure Number of households within 400m walking distance of sport, recreation and leisure facilities Residents satisfaction surveys 	Distance and linkages to sport, recreation and leisure facilities (from edge of site and from site centroid) Also see indicators for the objectives 'To promote inclusive, healthy communities'
To promote sustainable travel choices	 Will the policy or proposal promote easy accessibility to homes, jobs and services by alternatives to the private car Will the policy or proposal make appropriate physical provision for walking, cycling and the use of public transport Will the policy or proposal promote sustainable travel choices and a 	 Number and percentage of new development within the most accessible areas Journey to work by location, mode and distance Location and length of designated cycle tracks 	 Distance and linkages to nearest bus stop (from edge of site and from site centroid) Distance and linkages to nearest railway station (from edge of site and from site centroid) Percentage of site within the most accessible areas (within 400m of public transport service every 20 minutes or better)

QUALITY OF LI	FE		
Objective	Existing Decision Criteria	Existing Indicator	Proposed Site Specific Indicator
	 reduction in traffic congestion Will the policy or proposal encourage the greater use of rail and water for freight transport 		Distance and linkages to nearest designated cycle track (from edge of site)
To minimise opportunities for crime and antisocial behaviour	 Will the policy or proposal promote measures to maximise crime prevention Will the policy or proposal provide for measures to minimise the opportunity for anti-social behaviour 	 Crime rates per 1000 population Number of notifiable offences 	Assumed standard for all sites, subject to secured by design assessment



Proposed Template

Site Name: (and description of development):				
summary text.				
SA Objective	Assessment of Effects - Nature of the predicted sustainability effect (positive/negative, short/medium/long-term, scale/temporary/permanent)	Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments	Mitigation/enhancement measures (applied or required)	
Social Inclusion				
Balanced Population				
2. Multiple Deprivation				
3. Accessibility of Jobs and Services				
4. Housing Need and Market Renewal				
5. Healthy Communities				
Sustainable Consumption and Production				
6. Economic Performance				
7. Employment Growth				
8. Worklessness and Income Deprivation				
9. Vitality of Town Centres				
10. Tourism				
Environmental Protection and Enhancement				
11. Biodiversity and Natural Habitats				
12. Pollution				
13. Local Heritage				
14. Separation of Uses				
15. Traffic Intrusion				

Site Name: (and description of development):				
Assessment of Effects - Nature of the predicted sustainability effect (positive/negative, short/medium/long-term, scale/temporary/permanent)	Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments	Mitigation/enhancement measures (applied or required)		
Natural Resources				
ty Assessment duction – summary text. ancement – summary text.				
	Assessment of Effects - Nature of the predicted sustainability effect (positive/ negative, short/ medium/ long-term, scale/ temporary/ permanent) ty Assessment duction – summary text.	Assessment of Effects - Nature of the predicted sustainability effect (positive/ negative, short/ medium/ long-term, scale/ temporary/ permanent) Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments Evidence and reference (where available) and any other comments		