

Sustainability Appraisal and the draft Planning for Climate Change SPD

Section 180 (5) (d) Planning Act (2008) removed the compulsory requirement for a Sustainability Appraisal for an SPD, as they are supplementary to adopted local plans that have already been subject to one.

Accordingly there is no formal requirement under the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 (as amended) to undertake a sustainability appraisal of this draft SPD.

The draft Planning for Climate Change SPD is supplementary to the NFDC Local Plan Part One: Planning Strategy (adopted 2020). As SPD it sets out policy implementation advice and recommended best practice standards, rather than new policy.

The sustainability appraisal for the adopted local plan can be found at:

[Local Plan 2016-2036 part 1: Planning strategy - New Forest District Council](#)