Annual Monitoring Report 2004-2005 for Harlow District Council Local Development Framework

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1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Section 35 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires every local planning authority to make an annual report to the Secretary of State.

The report contains information on the extent to which the policies set out in the LDF are being achieved. As this is the first year that the monitoring report has been completed for the LDF and because it is still in its early stages, some of the required monitoring data is not available or up to date. In these cases the most recent figures available have been used. This will at least establish a baseline for comparison in following years.

The monitoring data contained within this first report generally covers four main areas;

- 1. An overview of the progress in implementing the Local Development Framework. This includes how the Council is going in meeting timeframes and targets.
- 2. Measuring 'contextual indicators' which give a snapshot of Harlow, highlighting key issues which new policy can be measured against. This includes demographics, social-cultural issues, economics and built environment.
- 3. Core Output Indicators, which have been selected to measure quantifiable physical activities that are directly related to, and are a consequence of, the implementation of planning policies. These include housing, trajectory, transport, local services, water issues, biodiversity and energy.
- 4. Local Output Indicators, which monitor the progress and effectiveness of the Replacement Local Plan. As Harlow District Council is still operating under the Local Plan this section has been substituted with the Local Plan Policies. In the future the Local Development Plan policies will be supplemented within this section. The monitoring currently covers; sustainability, housing, regeneration, transport, community facilities and the natural and built environment.

2.0 INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY OF THE MONITORING FRAMEWORK

This Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) is the first produced under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Bill 2004, and covers the period 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005. In the context of the new planning system, with its focus on the delivery of sustainable development, monitoring takes on an added importance in providing a check on whether those aims are being achieved.

Local authorities are required, by Regulation 48 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004 and by PPS12 *Local Development Frameworks*, to undertake certain key monitoring tasks;

- Review actual progress in terms of local development document preparation against the timetable and milestones in the local development scheme;
- Assess the extent to which policies in local development documents are being implemented;

- Where policies are not being implemented, explain why and to set out what steps are to be taken to ensure that the policy is implemented; or whether the policy is to be amended or replaced;
- Identify the significant effects of implementing policies in local development frameworks and whether they are as intended; and
- Set out whether policies are to be amended or replaced.

(Source PPS 12 and Local Development Framework Monitoring: A Good Practice Guide)

The policy documents that will eventually comprise the complete LDF have yet to be produced as Harlow District Council is still operating under the Local Plan, which is at the modification stage. It is for this reason that this AMR will focus on the policies that are set out in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan January 2004. Future AMRs will be able to focus on monitoring of LDF policies as they are adopted.

The monitoring scheme will be kept under review and will be amended to reflect changes in emphasis and changes in priorities.

A number of sources were used for collecting the contextual and monitoring data. They include; internally from Harlow District Council officers and databases, directly from organisations, websites, local authority reports, survey results, Office for National Statistics and Census reports. Regional and national data was either collected in house or by Essex County Council.

Harlow Council and the County Council have begun to re-design their information systems to enable on-going improvement to monitoring. Further technical developments will be required to ensure that the monitoring systems are robust and responsive to changing demands. Harlow District Council and Essex County Council are working together in the collection and analysis of information to ensure that a consistent approach is taken to measuring and monitoring change.

3.0 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (LDS) IMPLEMENTATION

The most recent Local Development Scheme that came into effect in December 2005 under regulation 11 is the 'Local Development Scheme 2005 Issue 2'. The table below lists the Local Development Documents in the LDS together with their targets and actual progress to December 2005. The table shows that the authority has met the targets indicated on the LDS programme to December 2005. It should be noted that the targets/progress relate to the Replacement Harlow Local Plan (RHLP) and that work has not started on the other documents shown in the table.

	Timetable showing targets and actual progress to December 2005															
Local Development Documents	2	0	0	4		2	0	0	5							
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Replacement Harlow Local Plan				1												2
	_															
Statement of Community Involvement	_															
Core Strategy DPD																
Site Specific Allocations DPD	_															
Generic Development Control Policies DPD																
Town Centre North Development Brief SPD																
Affordable Housing SPD																
HDC Common Guidelines SPD																
HUC Common Guidelines SPD																

PPG 17 SPD												
Town Centre North Development Brief SPD												
Essex Design Guide SPD - Programme to be												
agreed with Essex Authorities												
Key RHLP Targets 1 = Inspectors report receiv	ed. 2	2 = 2	nd Inc	quiry.		actu	ial pr	ogre	ess			

3.1 LDS Revision

The Local Development Scheme has been revised. The changes relate to the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), the Replacement Harlow Local Plan (RHLP) and Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG):

(a) Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)

The start date for the SCI has changed from Sept 2005 to January 2006. This now has the advantage that Epping Forest District Council and East Herts District Council SCI timetables are similar. It is hoped that this will allow the SCIs of the 3 councils to complement each other and that this will assist the joint DPD consultations (if required) and support a Joint LDS, if this is the vehicle that is used to deliver the growth around Harlow.

(b) Replacement Harlow Local Plan (RHLP)

There has been some clarification regarding the timetable for the RHLP and the LDS has been updated to reflect this. It has been determined that a second inquiry is required and this has been scheduled for 6th December 2005. The Inspector's Report is expected in Feb 2006 which means adoption may be in April/May 2006.

(c) Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

The SPDs start dates have changed from Sept 2005 to April 2006. The delay is due to reduced resources in the Forward Plans Team and priority of the work on the RHLP; also the SPDs however cannot be adopted until the Local Plan is adopted. Work on the RHLP includes an Inquiry in December 2005, the production of the modifications in response to the Inspector's Report and adoption at the earliest opportunity. The change would result in some overlap of DPD and SPD production in early 2007 however, it is anticipated that the bulk of SPD workload would be in the first half of the SPD production process. This work would be completed before DPD production timetable.

None of the documents specified in the LDS have been adopted during the report period. The authority has adopted no Local Development Orders.

3.2 LDS REVIEW

There have been delays to the East of England Plan timetable. The original adoption date was December 2006, however the timetable has been delayed by 3 months and the new adoption date is early 2007. The Development Plan Documents (DPDs) have been scheduled to commence once the East of England Plan is adopted in December 2006. It is possible that the LDS will need to be revised to change the start date for DPD production from December 2006 to early 2007 to coincide with the new adoption date of the East of England Plan. Any revision to the LDS would require formal submission to the Secretary of State.

3.3 HARLOW LOCAL PLAN SAVED POLICIES

Harlow has a somewhat unique situation at this reporting period, due to the progress and status of the Local Plans. Technically the only 'saved' policies are those contained in the Adopted Harlow Local Plan, which covered the period from 1986 to 2001. So, although these policies are still legally operative, and used to justify planning decisions, they are generally subordinate to the Replacement Harlow Local Plan.

Work commenced on the Replacement Harlow Local Plan in 1998 and it has a lifetime up to 2011. The Second Deposit Draft Replacement Plan went to deposit in January 2004 and Committee agreed that it be used for development control purposes from that date. It is currently undergoing a Second Inquiry into modifications and proposed to be adopted in Spring 2006. It is therefore this Plan that is the principal planning document as it essentially replaces and updates the Adopted Plan, which is now considered to be out-of-date.

For this reason, this monitoring report focuses chiefly on the Replacement Harlow Local Plan, rather than the 'saved' policies of the Adopted Plan.

It is difficult, therefore, to do justice to the following section of the monitoring report. The majority of the policies of the Adopted Plan have now been 'updated' through the Replacement Plan process so the 'Action' column has essentially already been achieved. For the Replacement Plan, because it is currently going through a second inquiry into modifications and due to be adopted in Spring 2006, it is a very new and emerging Plan and therefore implementation of policies is an on-going process. The policies in this Plan will be subject to review only after it is adopted.

Obviously the policies of the Replacement Plan will also be subject to review through the Local Development Framework preparation, which will see Development Plan Documents take the place of local plans. The timeframes for this work can be found in the Local Development Scheme.

In regard to monitoring, a selected number of policies in the Replacement Plan are currently monitored (these were the same as those reported on in Harlow's 2003-2004 monitoring report). These polices are summarised in the section Local Output Indicators and will be added to, to ensure Core Output Indicators monitoring can be achieved. No monitoring of the adopted plan is carried out.

Note: As is outlined in the OPDM advice, this section of the AMR is only required to address the period of the year 1st April 2004 to 31st March 2005 since the commencement of the Act (i.e. October 2004 to end of March 2005)

It is recognised that this section contains a number of generalities due to much of this information being 'unknown' at this stage in the process. The Council seeks to fill these gaps with more clarity in future reports, once the Plan is adopted.

REPLACEMENT HARLOW LOCAL PLAN: (PRINCIPAL) OCT '04 – MARCH '05

	Policy	Is it being Implemented? Why / why not?	Action required
Su	stainable Development		
SD1	Protecting and enhancing environmental health	General background requirements implemented on a general scale	Unless otherwise stated, because of the
SD2	Regeneration	General background requirements implemented on a general scale	'newness' of the Replacement Plan, Harlow District
SD3	Applying the sequential test	General background requirements implemented on a general scale	Council will not be taking steps to review these policies until
SD4	Mixed uses in town centre and neighbourhood centre	No relevant planning applications for such	after its adoption in Spring 2006.
SD5	Mixed uses in the rest of Harlow	No relevant planning applications for such	Please note that these
SD6	Intensification of use	No relevant planning applications for such	are emerging policies and due to the
SD7	Energy	No relevant planning applications for such	modifications inquiry, a selected number of policies listed here
SD8	Waste minimisation	Has not been implemented this year but intend to in future developments	may be altered or deleted.
SD9	Development involving movement of soil	No relevant planning applications for such	All policies will be
SD10	Waste recycling	Implemented by waste department of council	subject to review through the FDF
SD11	Water Conservation	No relevant planning applications for such	process and issues and options development.
	Housing		L
H1	Prioritise the release of housing land	Implemented through	
H2	Maximising housing development	planning decision Implemented through planning decision	
H3	Housing density	Implemented through planning decision	
H4	Housing allocations	Implemented through planning decision – 2 applications and1 completed	
H5	Housing development phasing	General requirements – covering longer timeframes so could still be implemented	
H6	Housing land monitoring	General requirements – covering longer timeframes so could still be implemented	
H7	Range of dwelling types	Implemented through planning decision	
H8	Affordable housing requirement	Implemented through planning decision	
H9	Affordable housing allocations	General requirement – Section 106 agreed	

H10	Legal agreement to restrict	No relevant planning	
	occupancy	applications for such	
H11	Housing for people with	Implemented through	7
	disabilities and other	planning decision	
	special needs		
H12	Housing for the elderly	Site-specific -no relevant	-
	reading for the clashy	planning applications in	
		those areas	
H13	Provision for travellers	Implemented through	-
1115	FIOUSION IOI LIAVEILEIS		
114.4	L.C.U. de la la constant	planning decision	-
H14	Infill development	Implemented through	
		planning decision	-
H15	Commercial activities in	Implemented through	
	residential properties	planning decision	_
H16	Conversion to provide	Implemented through	
	separate units	planning decision	
H17	Criteria for demolition of	No relevant planning	
	residential property	applications for such	
Ec	conomic Regeneration		<u> </u>
ER1	Priority Area for Economic	Implemented through	
L . ()	Regeneration	planning decision	
ER2	New employment land	Allocation policy still to be	
ENZ	New employment land	implemented	
500			
ER3	Sequential approach for	General background	
	unallocated sites	policy – not easy to	
		directly implement but	
		gives direction	
ER4	Monitoring of employment	General background	
	land	policy regarding	
		monitoring. Only to be	
		implemented when	
		problem arises	
ER5	Existing employment	Implemented through	
LIKO	areas	planning decision	
ER6	Retaining existing	Implemented through	
ENU			
	employment areas	planning decision	
ER7	Neighbourhood service	Implemented through	
	areas	planning decision	
ER8	Regeneration and	Implemented through	
	intensification	planning decision	
ER9	Research and	No relevant planning	
	development	applications for such	
ER10	Economic diversity	No relevant planning	
		applications for such	
ER11	Mixed use for redundant	No relevant planning	
	or vacant sites	applications for such	
ER12	Storage and distribution	Implemented through	
	Storage and distribution		
		planning decision	
ER13	Education training and	Implemented through	
	childcare	planning decision	
ER14	Stansted airport	No relevant planning	
		applications for such.	
		Very general policy	
	Transport	very general policy	
T1	Transport Reducing the need to		J
T1	Reducing the need to	No major planning	
	Reducing the need to travel	No major planning applications for such	
T1 T2	Reducing the need to	No major planning	

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Т3	Transport impact plans	Implemented through	
T4	Green commuter plans	planning decision Implemented through	-
14	Green commuter plans	planning decision	
T5	Design in reducing the	No relevant planning	-
15	need to travel	applications for such	
T6	Cycling and walking	Implemented through	-
10	promotion	planning decision	
T7	Cyclist provisions	Implemented through	-
17		planning decision	
T8	Extensions to the cycleway	No relevant planning	-
		applications for such	
Т9	Transport interchanges	Site specific to be	To be considered for
		implemented	Site Allocations DPD
T10	Passenger transport	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
T11	Vehicle parking	Implemented through	1
		planning decision	
T12	Road planning	Implemented through	1
		planning decision	
T13	New Hall link road	Not a policy as such, more	
		an indication of what is	
		required in future. To be	
		implemented	
T14	Traffic calming and	No relevant planning	
	management	applications for such	
T15	Freight	No relevant planning	
		applications for such	
T16	Safeguarding rail freight	No relevant planning	To be considered for
	facility	applications for such	Site Allocations DPD
	Leisure and Culture		Need to be in the with
L1	Playing fields	No relevant planning	Need to be in line with
L2	Open engage and	applications for such.	PPG17 Need to be in line with
LZ	Open space and playgrounds	No relevant planning applications for such.	PPG17
L3	Retaining and improving	No relevant planning	FFGI/
LJ	existing sport + recreation	applications for such	
	facilities		
L4	New sport and recreation	Implemented through	-
64	facility	planning decision - built	
L5	Wet and dry sport and	Implemented through	-
	recreation centre	planning decision	
L6	Football stadium	Implemented through	1
-		planning decision – being	
		built	
L7	Athletics	Allocation policy yet to be	To be considered for
		implemented	Site Allocations DPD
L8	Wheeled sport	Allocation policy yet to be	To be considered for
		implemented	Site Allocations DPD
L9	Local recreation provision	Allocation policy yet to be	To be considered for
	1	implemented	Site Allocations DPD
L10	Latton farm	No relevant planning	
		No relevant planning applications for such	
L10 L11	Latton farm Water based recreation	No relevant planning	

L12	Allotments	Not being directly	
		implemented. Part of a	
		wider rationalisation	
		process yet to be	
1.40		undertaken	-
L13	Public rights of way	No relevant planning applications to effect this	
L14	Joint provision and dual	No relevant planning	-
L 17	use	applications to effect this	
L15	Arts culture and	No relevant planning	-
	entertainment	applications for such	
L16	Percent for art	Not been implemented this	
		year. Difficult to implement	
		when no standards	
		imposed	_
L17	Golf courses and other	No relevant planning	
	large scale open space	applications for such	
1.40	uses		-
L18	Rye hill park bowling green	Site-specific policy yet to be used	
Natura	I Environment and Natural	be used	
Hatara	Resources		
NE1	Green wedge	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
NE2	New green wedges	Not been implemented	Criteria based policy
		this year. Could be	developed?
		confusion over which	
		developments the policy	
NE3	New areas of green	refers to Implemented through	
INES	wedge	planning decision	
NE4	Metropolitan green belt	Implemented through	
	Metropolitari green beit	planning decision	
NE5	Extensions to dwellings in	No relevant applications to	
	the green belt	effect this	
NE6	Special restraint areas	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
NE7	Development of special	No relevant planning	
	restraint areas	applications for such	
NE8	Internal open spaces	No relevant planning	
		applications for such	
NE9	Agricultural housing	No relevant planning	
NE10	Reuse of rural buildings	applications for such No relevant planning	
	Treuse of Tural buildings	applications for such	
NE11	Accessible natural green	No relevant planning	
	spaces	applications for such	
NE12	Landscaping	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
NE13	Water environment	No relevant planning	
		applications for such	
NE14	Landscape conservation	No relevant planning	
NE15	Riodiversity and neture	applications for such	
CI IN	Biodiversity and nature conservation	No relevant planning applications to effect this	
NE16	SSSI	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
NE17	Local nature reserves	No relevant planning	
		applications to effect this	

	1		
NE18	Wildlife sites	No relevant planning	
		applications to effect this	
NE19	Wildlife verges	No relevant planning	
	5	applications to effect this	
NE20	Protected and rare	No relevant planning	
11220	species	applications for such	
	Built Environment		
		Implemented through	
BE1	Achieving a sense of	Implemented through	
DEO	character and identity	planning decision	-
BE2	Public realm	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
BE3	Sustainable development	Not implemented through	
	by design	planning decisions.	
		Mainly due to lack of large	
		development	
BE4	Sustainable development	No relevant planning	
	for higher density	applications for such	
BE5	Accessibility in the built	Implemented through	1
220	environment	planning decision	
DEC		Implemented through	4
BE6	Crime prevention and		
	personal safety	planning decision	4
BE7	Listed buildings	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
BE8	Demolition of listed	No applications to effect	
	buildings	this	
BE9	Change of use or	Implemented through	
	conversion of a listed	planning decision	
	building	3	
BE10	Conservation areas	Implemented through	
22.0		planning decision	
BE11	Demolition and	Implemented through	-
DLII		planning decision	
	redevelopment in a	planning decision	
	conservation area		-
BE12	New development in	Implemented through	
	conservation areas	planning decision	
BE13	Environment improvement	No relevant planning	
	schemes	applications for such	
BE14	Historic parks and	No relevant planning	
	gardens	applications for such	
BE15	Ārchaeology	Site-specific, no]
-		applications to effect the	
		sites received	
BE16	Archaeological remains of	Implemented through	1
22.0	lesser importance	planning decision	
BE17	Archaeological field	Implemented through	4
	evaluation		
		planning decision	4
BE18	Contaminated land	No relevant planning	
		applications for such	4
BE19	Light pollution	Implemented through	
		planning decision	1
BE20	Noise pollution	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
BE21	Air pollution	No relevant planning]
		applications for such	
BE22	Environmental	Site specific policy yet to	Consider for Site
	improvements	be implemented	Allocations DPD
BE23	Design of shop-fronts,	Implemented through	
DEZJ			
	signs and advertisements	planning decision	
BE24	New hall plan	Implemented	

	F ooton d		
BE25	Eastend	Implemented through	
Decision	and in a the Town Contro	planning decision	
Regene	erating the Town Centre and Shopping		
RTCS1	Sequential approach	General background	
	Coquerniai approaen	policy – not easy to	
		directly implement unless	
		multiple applications	
RTCS2	Vitality and viability		-
KTC32		Implemented through	
DTOOO	Taura Cantas and	planning decision	-
RTCS3	Town Centre and	Implemented through	
	regeneration	planning decision	-
RTCS4	Town centre	Implemented through	
	improvements	planning decision	
RTCS5	Town centre north	No relevant planning	
		applications for such	
RTCS6	Town centre north	Site-specific allocations	Consider for Site
	redevelopment sites	yet to be implemented	Allocations DPD
RTCS7	Town centre central	Implemented through	
	masterplan	planning decision	
RTCS8	Playhouse square site	No relevant planning	1
		applications for such	
RTCS9	New magistrates court	Site specific policy yet to	Consider for Site
111009		be implemented	Allocations DPD
RTCS10	Drimony frontagoo		Allocations DFD
RICSIU	Primary frontages	Implemented through	
DTOOLL		planning decision	4
RTCS11	Secondary frontages	No relevant planning	
	-	applications for such	-
RTCS12	Town centre south	No relevant planning	
		applications for such	
RTCS13	Wych elm	Site specific policy yet to	
		be enacted	
RTCS14	Neighbourhood centre	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
RTCS15	Hatches	Implemented	
RTCS16	Strengthen the role of	Implemented through	
	neighbourhood centres	planning decision	
	and hatches	p	
RTCS17	Change of use in	Implemented through	1
	neighbourhood centres	planning decision	
	and hatches		
RTCS18	Stow and bush fair	No applications to affect	4
RICOID		No applications to effect	
DTOO40	neighbourhood centre	this	4
RTCS19	Redevelopment of	No applications to effect	
DTOOS	hatches	this	4
RTCS20	New Hall shops and	Partially implemented –	
	facilities	plans received but on-	
		going development	
RTCS21	Retail warehouse parks	Site specific allocations	Consider for Site
		to put on planning maps	Allocations DPD
RTCS22	Proposals for retail	No relevant planning	
	warehouses	applications for such	
Commu	nity Facilities and Public		·
	Utilities		
CP1	Community facilities in	No relevant planning	
51 1	new housing	applications for such	
	development		
CP2	Community facilities legal	No relevant planning	4
	agreement	applications for such	
	ayıcemeni		

CP3	Accessibility of new	No relevant planning	
	community facilities	applications for such	
CP4	Princess Alexandra	Being implemented	
	hospital	5 1	
CP5	Provision and expansion	No relevant planning	
	of healthcare facilities	applications for such	
CP6	Rebuilding and	Implemented through	
	refurbishment of	planning decision	
	community facilities		
CP7	Education and training	Implemented through	
	facility	planning decision	
CP8	Relocation of ambulance	Site-specific application	
	station	yet to be received	
CP9	Development by statutory	Not used in planning	Criteria based policy
	undertakers	decisions. Difficult to	developed?
		monitor when permission	
		not required	
CP10	Securing satisfactory	No relevant applications	
	phasing of provision	to effect this	
CP11	Telecommunication	Implemented through	
	development	planning decision	
CP12	Communal television	No relevant planning	
	reception	applications for such	
CP13	Development at risk of	No relevant applications	
	flooding	to effect this	
CP14	Water conservation and	No relevant planning	
	SUDs	applications for such	_
CP5	Hazardous substances	No relevant planning	
		applications for such	_
CP16	Provision of underground	Implemented through	
	services in verges	planning decision	
Imp	ementation, Monitoring + Review		
IMP1	Provision of related	No relevant applications	
	infrastructure, services,	to effect this or suggest	
	facilities and environmental	othewise	
	protection		

ADOPTED HARLOW LOCAL PLAN (EXISTING, NOT PRINCIPAL) OCT 04 – MARCH 2005

	Policy	Is it being Implemented? Why / why not?	Action required
_ P	opulation and Housing		
H1	Housing allocations	Lifetime of policy expired in 2001	No action is planned to implement
H2	Church Langley housing	Policy was site-specific and has been achieved	policies in this Plan as it is in the process
H3	Church Langley phasing	Policy was site-specific and has been achieved	of being replaced with the
H4	Church Langley density	Policy was site-specific and has been achieved	Replacement Harlow Local Plan which is
H5	Church Langley house type	Policy was site-specific and has been achieved	due to be adopted in Spring 2006
H6	Needs of small households	Site-specific and no longer relevant	
H7	Affordable housing targets	Implemented through planning decision	

H8	Occupancy of affordable	Implemented through	
110	housing	planning decision	
H9	Methods to secure	Implemented through	
119	affordable housing	planning decision	
H10	Provision of special needs	Implemented through	
1110	housing	planning decision	
H11	Mobility and accessible		
		Implemented through	
H12	housing provision Provision of sheltered	planning decision	
піг		Site-specific and no longer	
140	housing	relevant	
H13	Infill development	Implemented through	
114.4	Less of residential	planning decision	
H14	Loss of residential	Implemented through	
	accommodation	planning decision	
H15	Commercial use of	Similar policy carried	
	residential properties	through to RHLP	
H16	Conversion/ adaptation of	Implemented through	
	dwellings	planning decision	
	Employment		
E1	Employment allocations	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
E2	Land at BP House	Site-specific and no longer	
		relevant	
E3	New firms providing	Replaced by more general	
	employment	policy in RHLP	
E4	The Business Park	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
E5	Provision for small firms	No longer relevant and	
		replaced in RHLP	
E6	Expansion of existing	New policy now used in	
	employment	RHLP	
E7	Uses in established	New policy now used in	
	industrial areas	RHLP	
E8	Maximising the Use of	Replaced by new policy in	
	Land	RHLP	
E9	Warehousing	New policy now used in	
		RHLP	
E10	Small offices adjacent to	Site-specific and no longer	
	shopping centres	relevant	
E11	Development of craft units	Not carried through to	
		RHLP	
E12	Church Langley craft units	Policy was site-specific and	
		has been achieved	
E13	Training	Replaced or made	
		irrelevant by RHLP	
E14	Community gain	New policy now used in	
		RHLP	
E15	Environmental	Implemented through	
	considerations	planning decision	
E16	Landscape considerations	New policy now used in	
		RHLP	
	Transportation		·]
T1	Dualling of Second and	Site-specific and	
	Third Avenue	implemented	
T2	New road and junction	New policy now used in	
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Т3	Church Langley Estate	Policy was site-specific and	
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development	RHLP	
Leisure facilities east of	Site-specific and now been	
Paldon Avenue	replaced with more general	
Site for equestrian facilities	No longer relevant – not	
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redevelopment		
Netteswellbury Farm / St	Policy was site-specific and	
	no longer relevant	
New hotels	Implemented through	
	planning decision	
river for recreation	RHLP	
Recreation centres	New policy now used in	
New recreation at Ryehill Park	Site-specific and no longer	
Allotment provision	New policy now used in RHLP	
Improved access to woodlands	New policy now used in RHLP	
Improving and extending footpaths	New policy now used in RHLP	
bridleways	RHLP	
housing developments	RHLP	
Play space standards in developments	New policy now used in RHLP	
Church Langley large open spaces	Policy was site-specific and has been achieved	
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Church Langley leisure	Policy was site-specific and has been achieved	
Church Langley footpath	Policy was site-specific and	
Church Langley bridleway	Policy was site-specific and	
Wider availability of facilities	New policy now used in	
	restricted mobility Leisure Ice Rink and Ten Pin Bowling provision Major recreational development Leisure facilities east off Allende Avenue Leisure facilities east of Paldon Avenue Site for equestrian facilities Leisure facilities in the Town Centre redevelopment Netteswellbury Farm / St Andrews Church development New hotels Improved access to the river for recreation Pinnacles West open space Recreation centres New recreation at Ryehill Park Allotment provision Improving and extending footpaths Improving and extending bridleways Open spaces in new housing developments Play space standards in developments Church Langley large open spaces Church Langley leisure centre Church Langley leisure centre Church Langley bridleway	warehousingRHLPProvision for people with restricted mobilityNew policy now used in RHLPLeisureNew policy now used in RHLPIce Rink and Ten Pin Bowling provisionMore general policy has developed in RHLPMajor recreational developmentNew policy now used in RHLPLeisure facilities east off Paldon AvenueSite-specific and now been replaced with more general policy in RHLPLeisure facilitiesSite-specific and now been replaced with more general policy in RHLPSite for equestrian facilitiesNo longer relevant – not included in RHLP developmentLeisure facilities in the Town Centre redevelopmentPolicy was site-specific and has been achievedNetteswellbury Farm / St Andrews Church developmentPolicy was site-specific and no longer relevantNew hotelsImplemented through planning decisionImproved access to the river for recreationRelPaced by policy in RHLPNew recreation centresNew policy now used in RHLPNew recreation at Ryehill plansing decisionSite-specific and no longer relevantAllotment provisionNew policy now used in RHLPImproved access to woodlandsNew policy now used in RHLPImproving and extending fortpathsNew policy now used in RHLPOpen spaces in new nousing developmentsNew policy now used in RHLPPlay space standards in developmentsNew policy now used in RHLPPlay space standards in spacesNew policy now used in RHLPOpen spaces in new <br< td=""></br<>

	Community Uses		
C1	Favoured locations for new	Implemented through	
	community facilities	planning decision	
C2	Expansion of Princess	Site specific –	
	Alexandra Hospital	implementing new policy in	
		RHLP	
C3	Location of primary	Not relevant in RHLP –	
	healthcare	replaced new policy	
C4	Health Centre	New policy now used in	
	redevelopment / expansion	RHLP	
C5	Church Langley Health	Policy was site-specific and	
	Centre	has been achieved	
C6	New health facilities	Not relevant in RHLP –	
	encouragement / assistance	replaced new policy	
C7	New provision of social	Implemented through	
	services	planning decision	
C8	Community uses at	Time and site-specific and	
	Rivermill	no longer relevant	
C9	Church Langley community	Site-specific and no longer	
	centre	relevant	
C10	Neighbourhood offices	New policy now used in	
	-	RHLP	
C11	Day care facilities	New policy now used in	
	-	RHLP	
C12	Extension to the cemetery	Not implemented or	
		included in RHLP	
C13	Church Langley primary	Policy was site-specific and	
	schools	has been achieved	
C14	Church Langley joint use of	Policy was site-specific and	
	schools	has been achieved	
C15	Church Langley Church	Policy was site-specific and	
		has been achieved	
	e Natural Environment		
NE1	Protection / Enhancement	Implemented through	
	of Green Wedges	planning decision	
NE2	New Green Wedges	New policy now used in	
		RHLP	
NE3	Protection of the	Implemented through	
	Metropolitan Green Belt	planning decision	
NE4	Special Restraint Area	New policy now used in RHLP	
NE5	Extensions to existing	New policy now used in	
	dwellings within the	RHLP	
	Metropolitan Green Belt		
NE6	Agricultural Housing	Replaced by new, similar policy in RHLP	
NE7	Use of redundant rural buildings	Replaced by new, similar policy in RHLP	
NE8	Internal open space	New policy now used in RHLP	
NE9	Tree preservation orders	Implemented through planning decision	
NE10	Protecting landscape	Implemented through	
	features	planning decision	
NE11	Preservation and planting	Replaced by new, similar	
	of hedgerows	policy in RHLP	
NE12	New planting	New policy now used in	

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NE13	Protection of SSSIs and	Replaced by new, similar	
	LNRs	policy in RHLP	
NE14	Protection of Natural	Replaced by new, similar	
	Habitat Sites	policy in RHLP	
NE15	Church Langley Retained	Site-specific and now	
-	Landscape Features	achieved. Needs ongoing	
	Landocapor oataroo	protection	
NE16	The value of water engage		
INE TO	The value of water spaces	New policy now used in	
		RHLP	
NE17	Countryside management	New policy now used in	
	schemes	RHLP	
NE18	Special Landscape Areas	New policy now used in	
		RHLP	
NE19	The Nature Conservation	New policy now used in	
	Zone	RHLP	
NE20	Church Langley structural	Site specific and has been	
INL20			
	landscaping	achieved	
NE21	Agricultural land	New policy now used in	
		RHLP	
	Built Environment		
BE1	Sustainable development	Implemented through	
		planning decision	
BE2	Design of new	Implemented through	
DLZ	development	planning decision	
BE3	Changes to existing	Implemented through	
	buildings	planning decision	
BE4	Improving physical access	New policy now used in	
		RHLP	
BE5	Provision for people with	Implemented through	
	restricted mobility	planning decision	
BE6	Personal safety	Implemented through	
220		planning decision	
BE7	Scheduled Ancient	Implemented through	
550	Monuments	planning decision	
BE8	Areas of Archaeological	Implemented through	
	Importance	planning decision	
BE9	Development affecting	Implemented through	
	conservation areas	planning decision	
BE10	Environment of	Implemented through	
	conservation areas	planning decision	
BE11	Demolition or alteration of	Implemented through	
	listed buildings	planning decision	
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BE12	Preservation of listed	Implemented through	
	buildings	planning decision	
BE13	Building preservation	New policy now used in	
	notices	RHLP	
BE14	Areas of ecological	New policy now used in	
	improvement	RHLP	
BE15	Protection against noise	New policy now used in	
	pollution	RHLP	
DE46			
BE16	Design of shop fronts,	Implemented through	
DF · -	signs and adverts	planning decision	
BE17	Energy efficiency	New policy now used in	
		RHLP	
	Public Utilities		
PU1	Public Utilities Services and new	Replaced by policy in	
PU1	Services and new	Replaced by policy in RHLP	
	Services and new development	RHLP	
PU1 PU2	Services and new		

DUO	No. astata as da as d	Developed to the second sector	
PU3	New estate roads and	Replaced by new, similar	
	services	policy in RHLP	
PU4	Reductions in the flood	Replaced by more general	
	plain	policy in RHLP	
PU5	Culverting of streams and	No longer in line with best	
	ditches	practice guidance	
PU6	Safeguarding primary sub-	Replaced by policy in	
	station sites	RHLP	
PU7	Advances in	Replaced by policy in	
107	communication	RHLP	
PU8			
FUO	Church Langley Water	Site specific and has been	
BUIG	Tower	achieved	
PU9	Church Langley water	Site specific and has been	
	balancing areas	achieved	
PU10	Services on road verges at	Site specific and has been	
	Church Langley	achieved	
PU11	Hazardous substances	Replaced by policy in	
		RHLP	
Imple	mentation and Resources		
IR1	Means of implementation	Replaced by policy in	
		RHIP	
IR2	Planning gain	Replaced by policy in	
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MAR1	To monitor, alter and	Replaced by policy in	
	review policies and	RHLP	
	proposals		
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4.0 CONTEXTUAL INDICTORS

The purpose of contextual indicators is to provide a backdrop against which to consider policy impacts and inform the interpretation of other types of indicators. The contextual indicators give a snapshot of Harlow highlighting key issues and giving a background for policy development at implementation.

4.1 DEMOGRAPHIC STRUCTURE

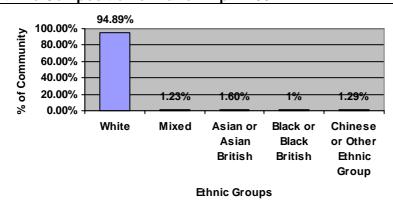
Population:

In mid-2004 population estimates there were 77,500 people residing in Harlow, of whom 48.6 per cent were male and 51.4 per cent were female. *(Source: National Statistics – NOMIS – mid year 2004)*. The population of Harlow decreased by 1.5 per cent to 77,800 between 1983 and 2003 (ECC)

Household type:

•	One-person households	9799	(30%)
•	Married couple households	11792	(36%)
•	Cohabiting couple households	3257	(10%)
•	Lone parent households:		
	with dependent children	2589	(8%)
	 with non-dependent children only 	1108	(3%)
•	All other households	4640	(14%)

(Source: Census 2001 – Neighbourhood section)



Ethnic Composition of Harlow April 2001

(Source: Census 2001 – Neighbourhood section)

4.2 SOCIO-CULTURAL ISSUES

Crime Rates (rates per 1000 of the population)

Sexual offence	1
 Violence against the person 	27
Robbery offences	2
 Burglary dwelling offences 	7
• Theft of a motor vehicle offences	6
 Theft from a vehicle offences 	11

Source: <u>Upmystreet.com</u>

Unemployment Level

• Harlow's unemployment level as at the 2001 Census was 3.30%.

(Source: Census 2001 – Neighbourhood section)

Unemployment Claimant Count (% of residents of working age), 2004 for Harlow

	Harlow (numbers)	Harlow (%)	Eastern	GB (%)
All people	(numbers)	(70)	(%)	(70)
· · ·				
Economically active	38,700	83.6	81.6	78.3
In employment	36,700	79.3	78.5	74.5
Employees	33,100	71.5	67.9	65.0
Self employed	3,600	7.8	10.3	9.1
Unemployed	2,000	5.2	3.8	4.8
Males				
Economically active	21,300	90.6	87.5	83.3
In employment	20,000	84.8	84.1	79.1
Employees	17,600	74.7	68.7	65.5
Self employed	2,400	10.1	15.2	13.1
Unemployed	1,400	6.3	3.9	5.1
Females				
Economically active	17,400	76.4	75.5	72.9
In employment	16,700	73.5	72.7	69.7
Employees	15,500	68.1	67.0	64.4
Self employed	1,200	5.4	5.1	4.8
Unemployed	700	3.8	3.8	4.4

Percentages are based on working age population, except unemployed, which is based on economically active

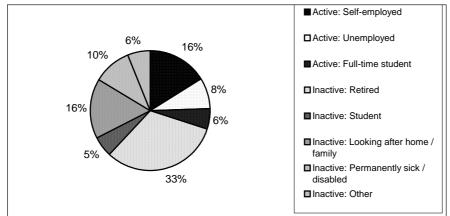
(Source: annual population survey (Apr 2004-Mar 2005), National Statistics, NOMIS, 2004)

Deprivation Levels (lowest number being the most deprived):

•	Local Authority Summaries, Rank of Average Score	120/354	
•	Local Authority Summaries, Rank of Income Scale	193/354	
•	Local Authority Summaries, Rank of Employment	239/354	
•	Local Authority rank within Essex	9/48	

(Source: ODPM 2004-2005)

4.3 ECONOMY



£ 452

£23,551

Economic Activity Rates (% of resident people aged 16-74):

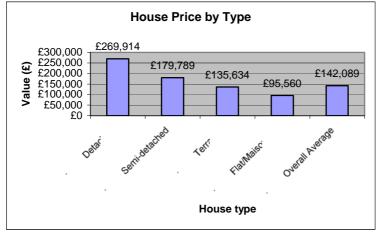
(Source: 2001 Census – Neighbourhood section)

Household income:

- Average Gross Weekly Earnings (£)
- Average Gross Annual Earnings (£)

(Source: New Earnings Survey 2000)

House price level:



(Source: HM Land Registry May 2003)

Latest results only available for Essex:

٠	Detached	£284, 051
٠	Semi-detached	£187,726
٠	Terraced	£157,901
٠	Flat/Maisonette	£126,491
٠	Overall Average	£197,767

(Source: HM Land Registry April-June 2004)

Employment (% in occupational areas):

The main **industry** in Harlow is electronics and electrical engineering but other important sectors include pharmaceuticals, food and drink, mechanical engineering,

glass, chemicals and printing and publishing. Research and Development is a growing area especially in the pharmaceutical industry (ECC).

Managers and senior officials	16.3	
 Professional occupations 	11.8	
 Associate professional & technical 	11.7	
Administrative & secretarial	15.2	
Skilled trades occupations	11	
Personal service occupations	5.1	
Sales and customer service occupations	5.8	
 Process plant & machine operatives 	11.5	
Elementary occupations	11.6	

Source: local area labour force survey (Mar 2003-Feb 2004)

Key Assets – Natural Environment:

- 58 playing fields
- 159 ha of Public spaces
- 26 ha of Recreation grounds
- 58 ha Playing Fields
- 62 Playgrounds (11 ha)
- 134 ha of Woodlands
- 9 conservation areas (116 ha)
- 3 SSSIs

Housing Stock Conditions

The Government's Decent Homes Standard set out a range of minimum standards for all homes owned by public landlords such as Councils and Registered Social Landlords. To meet this standard a home must:

- Be above the fitness standard for housing
- Be in a reasonable state of repair
- Have modern facilities and services (e.g. kitchens and bathrooms)
- Be reasonably warm.

The Government requires the homes owned by all public landlords to comply with the Decent Homes Standard by 2010 and reduce by one-third the number of non-decent homes by 2004.

Harlow's Housing Stock Conditions

Total Stock of Housing	Total Stock of Council Housing	Number not meeting Decent Home Standard	% Not meeting Decent Home standard	
32,578	10,516	2024	19%	
Source: Housing Strategy, 1 April 2003				

4.4 BUILT ENVIRONMENT ASSETS

Physical Condition Survey completed by Assets and Facilities team. The survey relates to the condition of assets on site from August 2004 to March 2005. The

grades specify the amount that needs to be spent per square metre to bring the building up to standard.

Grade	% of buildings	Explanation of Grade
Grade A	23 %	£0 to £25/m ²
Grade B	26%	£26 to £75/m ²
Grade C	11%	£76 to £100/m ²
Grade D	40%	>£100/m ²

Transport Accessibility

Passenger Transport – bus based and rail/bus interchange

(Sourced from Essex County Council and the LTP Annual Progress report 2005)

During 2004/05 the following measures were carried out:

- 1,034 bus stops were upgraded as part of a countywide programme to improve roadside information. Of these 135 stops were brought up to QBP standards with new raised kerbs, telematics, real-time information, as well as new flags, poles and static timetable information. New passenger shelters were also introduced at a number of locations using a special fund available to Parish Councils and waiting/loading restrictions introduced to control parking. Over 300 buses are fitted with transponders linked to the Traffic Control Centre and over 150 bus stops display real time information via electronic "smartinfo" and "flag" signs. This is the largest scheme outside London.
- 40% more funding to enable community services to be expanded. One of the ways this was achieved was through the County Council's '*Community Link*' initiative, which provides and organises a range of fleet vehicles for use by community groups via a call centre at County Hall.
- Continued work on implementing the Optimum EU project to improve access to healthcare, initially in Colchester with the 'GetThere' initiative. This brings together bus services, car sharing schemes and a range of other facilities, including taxi-shuttles and park and ride, in order to provide patients, staff and visitors with travel information and alternative ways to access healthcare facilities.

Walking and Cycling - improvements to networks and environments

(Sourced from Essex County Council and the LTP Annual Progress report 2005)

50 walking and cycling schemes were introduced in 2004/05 including:

- Investment in the National Cycle Network
- Urban cycle routes
- Numerous measures to improve pavements and introduce crossings
- Urban regeneration schemes to improve the environment and enhance safety,

The effects of these improvements have been:

- an increase in the percentage of people within 400 metres (urban) and 800 metres (rural) of a bus stop with an hourly or better service
- an 18% increase in those using Community Transport and

- a 25% increase in passengers using Sunday services
- the meeting of targets for service level types identified in the County Council's Road Passenger Transport Strategy

Spatial Inequality

Harlow has pockets of deprivation at a very localised level and this can lead to increases in crime, child poverty, unemployment and illness.

The Council does not have up-to-date monitoring information specifically addressing spatial inequality, although does hold records of past surveys and census information which could provide a benchmark to compare to future monitoring and Annual Monitoring Reports.

One such source of information is the Index of Multiple Deprivation, which combines indicators across seven domains into a single deprivation score and rank. The domains are:

- Income deprivation
- Employment deprivation
- Health deprivation and disability
- Education, skills and training deprivation
- Barriers to Housing and Services
- Living Environment deprivation

Index of	<u>Multiple Depriv</u>	<u>ation for areas</u>	of Harlow:

	IMD Score	Rank of IMD	Rank
			Harlow
Brays Grove	29.86	2,001	9
Great Parndon	21.54	3,266	15
Hare Street & Town Centre	42.76	949	1
Katherines with Sumners	25.82	2,528	13
Kingsmoor	26.71	2,387	12
Latton Bush	34.02	1,577	7
Little Parndon	32.62	1,707	8
Mark Hall North	29.67	2,026	10
Mark Hall South	35.57	1,444	4
Netteswell East	35.21	1,474	5
Netteswell West	35.06	1,493	6
Old Harlow	20.15	3,528	16
Passmores	37.08	1,333	2
Potter Street	25.55	2,573	14
Stewards	36.60	1,378	3
Tye Green	29.19	2,093	11

Source: DTLR Indices of Deprivation 2000

5.0 CORE OUTPUT INDICATORS

This section reports on the core output indicators that measure quantifiable physical activities that are directly related to, and are a consequence of, the implementation of planning policies.

As a general note: Where there are gaps in the monitoring data for this year, it is aimed to fill in next years report. Harlow is currently developing its electronic Acolaid system to allow for further indicators to be added to the reporting currently done on development control applications and decisions. It is realised that in doing this now, several months of this year's applications will not have been incorporated. These can be looked into retrospectively so the information can be recorded. For a relatively small council like Harlow resourcing issues may be a problem. Monitoring, however, is recognised as a priority to ensure informed decision making in the future.

By analysing future Annual Monitoring Reports and comparing them against each other, it will become clearer which policies relating to the core indicators are effective and which need revision.

5.1 BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT 2004-2005

ER1	Priority Area for Economic Regeneration
ER2	New employment land
ER3	Sequential approach for unallocated sites
ER4	Monitoring of employment land
ER5	Existing employment areas
ER6	Retaining existing employment areas
ER8	Regeneration and intensification
ER10	Economic diversity
ER14	Stansted airport

Policies in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan relevant to this indicator:

Amount of land developed for employment type

Employment	Sq metres gross floorspace	Hectares
type		
B1	6848	6.76
B2	0	0
B8	1170	1.95
B1/B2/B8	3728	1.09
Total	11746	9.8

Amount of land developed by employment, by type which is in development and/or regeneration areas defined in the LDF

All employment development was in designated employment areas. None was completed on allocated employment areas, as this issue is subject to the Local Plan Modification process.

Percentage of land developed for employment by type, which is on Previously Developed Land

All land developed for employment was on previously developed land.

Employment land supply by type

Employment	Sq metres gross floorspace	Hectares	
type			
B1	19923		2.92
B2	0		0
B8	21873		0.33
B1/B8	6232		.98
B1/B2/B8	7685		1.49
Total	55713		5.7

Losses of employment land in development/regeneration areas and local authority area

1646 sq metres were lost to employment. This data is not collected in hectares at this time. This data is expected to be available for the 2005 – 2006 Monitoring Report, due to the integration of the corporate GIS system and the planning application administration software. At this point new application site boundaries can be digitised and a density ascertained

Amount of employment land lost to residential development None

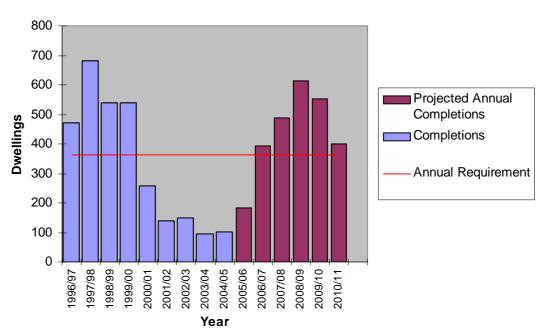
5.2 HOUSING

Policies in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan relevant to these indicators:

H1	Prioritise the release of housing land
H2	Maximising housing development
H3	Housing density
H6	Housing land monitoring
H8	Affordable housing requirement
H9	Affordable housing allocations
H14	Infill development
H16	Conversion to provide separate units

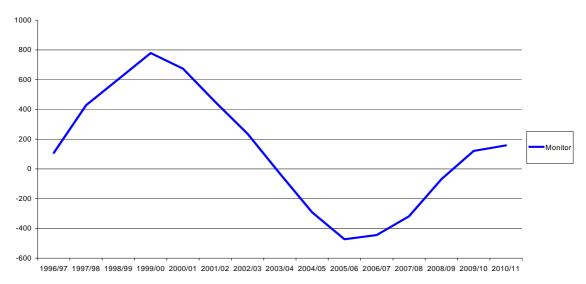
Housing stock numbers in Harlow 2000-2004:

Year	Council Housing	Total Housing Stock
2003	10,516	32,578
2004	10,856	34,437
2005		34,572



Harlow District Council - Completions and Trajectory

Monitor (amount of dwellings ahead / behind our cumulative allocation)



See Appendix 1 for details

Percentage of new and converted dwellings on Previously Developed Land 2004-2005

44 percent

Percentage of new dwellings completed by density 2004-2005

Percentage less than 30 dwellings per hectare – 0 Percentage between 30 and 50 dwellings per hectare – 77.45 Above 50 dwellings per hectare – 22.55 Note: Assumed Gross/Net Ratio as per Tapping The Potential (<0.4=100%, 0.4-2ha = 90% and >2ha = 75%). Based on developments of 10 or more dwellings

Affordable Housing completions

There were 26 Affordable Housing completions gross with demolitions was 12 net.

5.4 TRANSPORT

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T1	Reducing the need to travel
ТО	Dremetical economials development

Policies in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan relevant to these indicators:

T2	Promoting accessible development
T3	Transport impact plans
T4	Green commuter plans
T10	Passenger transport
T11	Use of car parks

Percentage of non-residential development complying with car-parking standards set out in LDF

This information is not currently available for this monitoring report. The nonresidential car-parking standards outlined in the LDF are yet to executed and therefore, measured.

The Replacement Local Plan does not directly monitor compliance with car-parking standards. It does prescribe parking provisions, which are in accordance with the Essex Vehicle Parking Standards, for planning applicants to adhere to in proposal stage. These have all been complied with in planning applications.

Developments' car-parking compliance can be monitored in the future and included in the next Annual Monitoring Report.

% of new residential development with 30 mins of public transport time of a GP, hospital, primary and secondary school, employment and a major health centre

This issue has not previously been monitored. Due to the physical size of Harlow, and its cluster neighbourhood design, it is most likely that any new residential development would be located within 30 minutes or more of public transport needed to reach the facilities listed.

Regardless of this, with potential expansion of the town, it would be a useful baseline to measure against and include in the next Monitoring Report. This issue has been highlighted within the sustainability objectives to be addressed in future DPDs regarding transport and accessibility to community infrastructure.

The progress of Transport Accessibility on a more regional basis is addressed in the section 'Contextual Indicators' in this report. These indicators will also help to establish a baseline for this issue.

5.5 LOCAL SERVICES

Policies in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan relevant to these indicators:

RTCS1	Sequential approach
RTCS2	Vitality and viability
RTCS3	Town Centre and regeneration
RTCS4	Town centre improvements
RTCS5	Town centre north
RTCS6	Town centre north redevelopment sites
L1	Playing fields
L4	New sport and recreation facility
L15	Arts culture and entertainment
L17	Golf courses and other large scale open space uses
*Plus specific leisure facilities allocation policies (e.g. football stadium)	

Amount of completed retail, office and leisure development respectively % of completed retail, office and leisure development respectively in the town centres

The amount and percentage of completed office and leisure development has not been monitored. The table below outlines the percentage of retail / town centres' completed;

Policy	RTCS1	
Indicator	Percentage of retail/town centre uses' floor area completed in:	
	a) Town Centre	
	b) Neighbourhood Centres	
	c) Hatches	
Target	More than 90% of floor area completed, to which Policy RTCS1 applies, meet	
_	policy requirements (i.e. less that 10% on out of town centre sites).	
Actual	0%	
Commentary	No applications received to which this policy applies.	

This would be useful to monitor so older planning permissions could be followed through to completion, and some indication of actual growth could be measured.

As part of the annual monitoring (SLA) Essex County Council records retail permissions (250 sq m), Office (1,000 sq m) and Leisure (1000 sq m). All permissions at 2005 have been digitised into the DMS so site areas are available of the permission boundary. EERA monitoring requires ECC to identify those retail permissions, which are regarded as town centre, edge of centre etc. These are analysed against the latest local plan boundaries.

Essex County Council proposes to make this information available early in 2006.

% of eligible open spaces managed to green flag award standard

0% open spaces in Harlow managed to Green Flag award standard. Although it would be desirable to have Harlow's open spaces managed to this standard, at this stage more work is required in order to be eligible. The fragmented management structure of some of the highest quality parks has been an obstacle to the integrated running. Despite this, the Parks department is constantly working to upgrade the parks and aim to achieve this status.

5.6 FLOOD PROTECTION AND WATER QUALITY

Policies in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan relevant to these indicators:

SD11	Water Conservation
NE13	Water environment
CP13	Development at risk of flooding

Planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the environmental agency on either flood defence grounds or water quality

This matter is not directly addressed or monitored in the Local Plan. The importance of flooding and water quality issues have, however, been recognised and have directly pinpointed these areas for policy development through our Sustainability Objectives for future Development Plan Documents.

Current practice is that the Environment Agency is consulted on planning applications within flood risk areas and their advice is taken into account in decisionmaking. The Environment Agency produces flood hazard maps, which are updated annually. These maps provide the trigger point for consultation. Although applications and proposals of activities to this end are rare, they do need to be quantified and will therefore specifically record any such planning permissions. Regard to the environmental agency's advice on such applications should be a point of criteria for planning permission in future Development Plan Documents.

In regard to water quality, this is monitored by the Environment Agency. If planning permissions are granted contrary to their advice, these need to be recorded and justified. This will be flagged for the next round of monitoring.

5.7 **BIODIVERSITY**

NE1	Green wedge
NE4	Metropolitan green belt
NE11	Accessible natural green spaces
NE12	Landscaping
NE13	Water environment
NE14	Landscape conservation
NE16	SSSI
NE17	Local nature reserves
NE18	Wildlife sites
NE19	Wildlife verges
NE20	Protected and rare species

Policies in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan relevant to these indicators:

Change in priority habitats and species (by type) and areas designated for their intrinsic environmental value

Monitoring information for this issue is not currently available. A monitoring indicator exists in the Replacement Local Plan for a percentage of planning applications approved for development on the internal Open Spaces, wildlife sites and verges (target: None approved). This would go some way in establishing if a designated site had changed in status or value.

As shown below, Harlow District has a number of designated natural areas considering it is such an urban environment. The District has 16 County Wildlife Sites

(CWSs), as recorded in an Essex Wildlife Trust survey in 1990. The district has a total of 3 LNRs at Harlow Marsh (13ha area), Hawkenbury Meadow (2ha) and Parndon Woods and Common (50ha).

The district also has 3 SSSI,

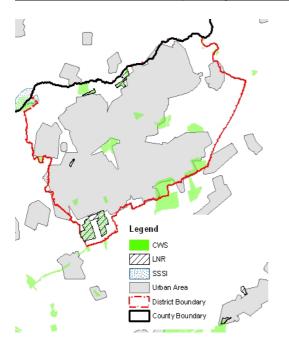
- Harlow Woods (45.2ha), which is also designated as a Local Nature Reserve (LNR) and CWS;
- Parndon Wood (22ha) which is also a LNR, Metropolitan Green Belt, Special Landscape Area and Nature Conservation Zone and;
- Hospital and Risdens Wood (24.3ha) LNR, Metropolitan Green Belt, Special Landscape Area and Nature Conservation Zone.

There is currently a SSSI Management Plan being developed for the whole District to manage these three important sites.

Harlow Woods is currently suffering in terms of condition, having been recorded as unfavourable in English Nature's annual assessment. However, Harlow District Council, together with the community, has an active programme to reverse this problem.

The Government has set a Public Service Agreement target that 95% of SSSI land by area should be in favourable condition by 2010. An indicator measuring this effect needs to be included in the future LD monitoring scheme.

Harlow District Biodiversity Designations (1990)



Change in priority Species

Recently five flagship species have been selected for the Harlow area. A baseline will be established for these species and they will be regularly monitored. The five species and targets are outlined in the table below:

Species	Action/Torget	Harlow DC	Detail
Species	Action/Target	responsibility	Detail
Sky Lark	 To maintain and where possible enlarge the population of skylarks in Essex 	Yes	Review management of land owned by BAP partner bodies for skylarks. Target: management practices on land owned by BAP partner reviewed in terms of skylark requirement by 2001
Pipistrelle Bat	 Maintain existing population and range of pipistrelles 	No	-
Great Crested Newt	 Ascertain the true distribution of the species over the county by 2005 Once known maintain the range distribution and viability of the existing county population Restore some population to counter past losses 	Yes	As set out in action/target column
Bee Orchid	Not specified within EBAP		
Desmoulin's Whorl Snail	 Ensure that identified populations of snails are protected, maintained and enhanced Undertake survey of former and likely sites to determine a true county distribution by the year 2005 	No	Regardless of this not being a direct responsibility of Harlow DC, some survey work has been undertaken on this species

EBAP targets (ECC and Essex Wildlife Trust, 1999): Harlow Flagship Species

5.8 RENEWABLE ENERGY

Policies in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan relevant to these indicators:

SD1	Protecting and enhancing environmental health
SD7	Energy

Renewable energy capacity installed by type

This information is not available due to a number of reasons.

East of England targets producing 14% of its electricity needs from renewable sources by 2010 (Making Renewable Energy a Reality – Setting a Challenging Target for the Eastern Region. ESD and Global to Local, 2001).

The District does not currently have any large renewable energy power plants and is not an attractive area for wind-generated power proposals due to its location. Harlow is therefore not contributing to the 14% renewable sources target for the region.

For smaller scale renewable energy innovations, such as solar panels, it is not possible at this stage to track their installation; as such works do not require planning permission.

In future, to monitor the core output indicator, the Council will either have to keep monitoring only to the large-scale operations, or produce a criteria-based policy to encompass smaller systems such as private solar panels (Introducing such a policy, however, will have to be weighed against the potential for such to be too onerous to implement, and a potential disincentive for people to have renewable energy if they have to apply for planning permission).

5.9 GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

Policies in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan relevant to this indicator:

H13 Provision for travellers

Number of authorised public and private sites

Essex County Council has 2 authorised public sites in the Harlow District– Fern Hill Lane and Flex Meadow, providing 44 pitches.

Number of unauthorised sites and numbers of caravans on them (and any changes)

None currently known

Permissions granted for new, or extensions to, public or private sites (and any unimplemented permissions)

No new permissions or extensions submitted. The Council is not seeking to establish further sites for settled occupation. The Council has been approached on a number of occasions with requests for winter quarters but it has not been possible to identify an appropriate site.

Performance of existing development plan policies

Government advises in Circular 1/94 that policies should contain clear and realistic criteria for the provision of sites.

The policy in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan sets out a number of criteria that need to be met if planning permission is to be granted. Criteria include: provision only for recognised travelling show people, effect on natural environment and neighbours, effects on character, landscaping and screening, highway safety, accessibility to local services.

This provides clear guidance for decision-makers to consider in the event of a planning application.

SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS INDICATORS

Significant Effects Indicators are still being developed for Harlow. These are being advanced alongside the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping process, which is currently at public consultation stage. After public consultation closes and the sustainability objectives, targets and indicators are finalised for the Scoping Report, the Council will be equipped with more information on what indicators are needed.

Monitoring of these indicators should enable the Council to see if there is a difference between the predicted effects of the implementation of policies, and the actual effects. This will help ensure a robust assessment of policy implementation. The indicators chosen will reflect the specific needs of Harlow as a small area, our monitoring experience and the availability of resources.

6.0 LOCAL OUTPUT INDICATORS 2004-05

These indicators have been selected in light of Best Value Performance Indicators (BVPI) and address the outputs of Local Plan policies not covered by the core output indicators.

These indicators comprise the monitoring requirements set out in the Replacement Harlow Local Plan, which have been monitored for well over a year now and were included in last year's Annual Monitoring Report. The Local Plan's indicators are not intended to be a detailed or comprehensive set of criteria to assess every policy in the Local Plan or to duplicate indicators which are more appropriately monitored elsewhere. They have been selected to ensure monitoring is practical and achievable.

The nature of some of the information means that it is not appropriate to set targets relating to them although the data will be collected to provide the Council with additional information on the District or the performance of the Local Plan. This is the case with population and unemployment data and basic information on the amount of floor space constructed for certain uses.

In addition to the indicators contained in the table, the Council will also continue to review:

- a) Changes in other policies and objectives of the Council and other agencies with an interest in the area;
- b) Changes in Government guidance;
- c) Changes to local development frameworks of adjacent authorities;
- d) Trends in the development industry and the wider economy.

6.1 GENERAL

Policy	BVPI 108
Indicator	Number of planning applications advertised as departures from the Plan and approved as a percentage of total number of planning applications approved in the year.
Target	Less than 1% of the total planning applications approved in a year.
Actual	0.25%
Commentary	 400 planning applications were approved. There were two departure decisions within this time period of which one was granted permission. The following decision was advertised as a departure from the plan and approved: Ref no: HW/PL/03/00449 Application: Construction of Wet and Dry Sport Centre and Parking, together with Replacement Car Parking for Harlow College Location: Velizy Avenue, Harlow (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)

Policy	BVPI 112 (6)
Indicator	Percentage of appeals where the Council's decision was overturned.
Target	Less than 1% of the total appeals heard in a year.
Actual	50% (NB this differs from BVPI as this is all the appeal decisions in 04/05
	rather than just appeals lodged on 2004/05 consents)
Commentary	Eighteen appeals have been made. Nine appeals have been allowed.

Seven appeals have been dismissed. Two appeals were withdrawn. The
following appeals were allowed:
 Ref no: HW/PL/04/00053 Application: Erection of 12 No 2 Flats and 2 No 3 Bedroom flats Location: 2&3 Walfords Close, Harlow
 Ref no.: HW/ST/04/00134 Application: Change of use from A1 to A2 Location: 15 Shopping Mews, Perry Road, Staple Tye
 Ref no.: HW/ST/03/00469 Application: First Floor Extension Location: 245 Westfield, Harlow
 Ref no.: HW/ST/03/00184 Application: Installation of Telecommunications Equipment Location: Station Road, Harlow
 Ref no.: HW/ST/03/00110 Application: Erection of two-storey house Location: Adjacent to Upper Hook House, Tye Green Village
 Ref no.: HW/ST/03/00374 Application: Change of use from Class A1 video rental to class A3 restaurant Location: 5/7 Service Bays, Staple Tye
 Ref no.: HW/ST/03/00334 Application: Installation of a 10m Street Column Location: Southern Way, Harlow
 Ref no.: HW/ST/03/00393 Application: Demolition of existing detached dwelling and erection of 10 no. flats and separate garage block Location: 2 Tawney Road, Harlow
 Ref no.: HW/ST/03/00397 Application: First floor extensions over existing front porch and single storey side extension Location: 53 Elmbridge Road, Harlow

6.2 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Policy	SD3
Indicator	Percentage of applications for developments that met the sequential test.
Target	100% of developments, to which Policy SD3 applies, meet policy
	requirements.
Actual	100% (check below)
Commentary	 Of the major development the following were considered to have met the sequential test (primarily for being built on PDL): Ref no: HW/PL/04/00105 Application: Mixed Commercial use at Ground floor, levels 2-6 Residential to provide 84 flats Location: Former Longman site, Burnt Mill, Harlow

 Ref no: HW/PL/03/00443 Application: Outline application for redevelopment of the Harlow Sports Centre Site for residential purposes Location: Harlow Gateway site, Hammarskjold (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)
 Ref no: HW/PL/03/00444 Application: Outline consent for residential development of existing pool site Location: Harlow Council Swimming Pool, First Ave, Harlow (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)
 Ref no: HW/PL/03/00356 Application: Four storey 88 bedroom Travelodge Location: Former Longman Site, Burnt Mill, Harlow
 Ref no: HW/PL/03/00449 Application: Construction of wet and dry sport centre and parking together with replacement car parking for Harlow College Location: Land to the south of Harlow College, Velizy Ave, Harlow (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)
The following application was not on PDL but was considered to meet the sustainable development policies:
 Ref no: HW/PL/04/00249 Application: Erection of 18 three-storey flats. Location: Maunds Hatch, Commonside Road, Harlow

Policy	SD4/SD5
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved on mixed use developments where proposals are for compatible uses.
Target	100% of planning applications approved, to which Policy SD4 applies, meet policy requirements.
Actual	100%
Commentary	 The following applications were approved as a mixed use development where the proposals were for compatible uses: Ref no: HW/PL/04/00105 Application: Mixed Commercial use at Ground floor, levels 2-6 residential to provide 84 flats Location: Former Longman site, Burnt Mill, Harlow Ref no: HW/PL/04/00228 Application: Newbuild Residential Development of 35 dwellings Location: Newhall, London Road, Harlow

6.3 HOUSING

Policy	H1 (BVPI 106)
Indicator	Percentage of dwelling completions on previously developed land.
Target	60% of dwelling completions on developments, to which Policy H1 applies, meet policy requirements.
Actual	13%
Commentary	 The following two developments were completed in 04/05 on PDL or Brownfield sites: Ref no: HW/ST/03/00076 Application: 12 No. 2 bedroom flats and parking area Location: Darlington Garage, Station Road, Harlow Ref no: HW/ST/02/00455 Application: 12 No. 2 bedroom flats and 2 no 1 bedroom flats Location: Darlington Garage, Station Road, Harlow

Policy	H3
Indicator	Average density of 30 dwellings per hectare to be achieved on allocated housing sites.
Target	100% of dwellings completions, on developments to which Policy H3 applies, meet policy requirements.
Actual	100%
Commentary	One application received on the Replacement Harlow Local Plan allocated housing sites. This is the Newhall Development (application number HW/PL/04/000228), which with 30 dwellings on just in excess of half a Ha gives a density of just under 70 units per Ha.

Policy	H5/H6
Indicator	Dwelling completions to meet the annual dwelling requirement.
Target	90% of the annual dwellings requirement of 255 is met.
Actual	41%
Commentary	105 dwellings were completed against the target of 255.
	NB This indicator is recommended to be deleted from the Modified Replacement Harlow Local Plan.

Policy	H8/H9
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved, for developments that are
	eligible for affordable housing, that have negotiated 30% affordable housing.
Target	100% of housing planning applications approved, to which Policy H8 applies,
	meet policy requirements.
Actual	80% (however 1 of the approved applications involved contribution to the
	refurbishment of a community building rather than affordable housing).
Commentary	The following applications have negotiated affordable housing:
	• Ref no: HW/PL/03/00443
	 Application: Outline application for redevelopment of the Harlow Sport Centre Site for residential purposes.
	 Location: Harlow Gateway Site, Hammarskjold Road, Harlow (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE

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	AGREEMENT OF THE S106)
•	Ref no: HW/PL/03/00444
•	Application: Outline consent for residential development of existing pool site
•	Location: Harlow Council Pool, First Avenue, Harlow
•	(NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)
•	Ref no: HW/PL/04/00228
•	Application: Residential of 35 dwellings of which 17 are considered affordable units
•	Location: Newhall, London Road, Harlow
•	Ref no: HW/PL/04/00105
•	Application: Mixed commercial use at ground floor Location: Former Longman Site, Burnt Mill
	llowing development contributed to the refurbishment of a community g in place of affordable housing:
•	Ref no: HW/PL/04/00249
	Application: Erection of 18 three-storey flats Location: Maunds Hatch, Commonside Road, Harlow
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6.4 ECONOMIC REGENERATION

Policy	ER2/ER4
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for B1, B2, and B8 developments on sites not allocated in local plan and not located within the
	designated employment areas that met the sequential test.
Target	100% of planning applications approved, of which Policy ER3 applies, meet
	policy requirements.
Actual	100%
Commentary	The following application met the requirements of ER3:
	 Ref no: HW/PL/04/00342 Application: Distribution and warehouse facility with associated accommodation, infrastructure and landscaping Location: Plots 3-6 Greenway, Harlow Business Park, Harlow

Policy	ER2/ER5
Indicator	The amount of employment land lost to non-employment uses in the Employment Areas.
Target	No loss of employment land to non-employment uses.
Actual	0%
Commentary	 One application was received for development of residential units on employment land. This was refused planning permission. The application was: Ref no: HW/PL/04/00347 Application: Erection of 91 dwellings with associated highway works and landscaping Location: Prospect Royal, East Road, Harlow

Policy	ER13
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for new and expanding employment companies that agree to operate local recruitment, training, education and childcare.
Target	90% of planning applications approved, to which Policy ER13 applies, meet policy requirements.
Actual	66%
Commentary	 The following two applications were conditional on providing for community development in terms of skills, training and employment: Ref no: HW/PL/03/00443 Application: Outline application for redevelopment of the Harlow Sport Centre Site for residential purposes Location: Newhall, London Road, Harlow (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106) Ref no: HW/PL/03/00444 Application: Outline consent for residential development of existing pool site Location: Harlow Council Pool, First Avenue, Harlow The following application did not provide for community development: Ref no: HW/PL/04/00179 Application: Erection of a two storied building and associated car parking. Location: Greenways, Harlow Business Park, Royden Road

6.5 TRANSPORT

Policy	T3
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for major developments that submitted a Transport Impact Assessment.
Target	100% of planning applications approved, to which Policy T3 applies, meet policy requirements.
Actual	100%
Commentary	 The following applications submitted a Transport Impact Assessment: Ref no: HW/PL/04/00105 Application: Mixed Commercial Use at Ground Floor Location: Former Longman Site, Burnt Mill, Harlow Ref no: HW/PL/03/00443 Application: Outline application for redevelopment of the Harlow Sport Centre Site for residential purposes Location: Harlow Gateway Site, Hammarskjold Road, Harlow (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)

Policy	T4
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for new and expanding employment companies that submitted a Green Commuter Plan.
Target	90% of planning applications approved, to which Policy T4 applies, meet policy requirements.

Actual	66%
Actual Commentary	 The following applications were conditional on submission of a Green Commuter Plan: Ref no: HW/PL/04/00105 Application: Mixed commercial use at ground floor Location: Former Longman Site, Burnt Mill Ref no: HW/PL/04/00342 Application: Distribution and warehouse facility with associated landscaping Location: Greenway, Harlow Business Park, Harlow The following applications were not required to complete a Green Commuter
	 The following applications were not required to complete a Green Commuter Plan: Ref no: HW/PL/03/00445 Application: Football stadium for Harlow Town Football Club Location: Barrows Farm, Roydon Road NB. This application developed a special event strategy, which also included commuting and transport considerations.

Policy	T7/T10
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for developments that require
	the provision for rail, bus, taxi or cycle ways.
Target	90% of planning applications approved, to which Policy T10 applies, meet
	policy requirements.
Actual	100%
Commentary	The following applications required provision for improvement or
	development of bus, cycle or walkways:
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	Ref no: HW/PL/03/00443
	Application: Outline application for redevelopment of the Harlow Sport Control Site for regidential purpasses
	Sport Centre Site for residential purposes
	Location: Newhall, London Road, Harlow
	(NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)
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	• Ref no: HW/PL/03/00444
	Application: Outline consent for residential development of existing
	pool site
	Location: Harlow Council Pool, First Avenue, Harlow
	(NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE
	AGREEMENT OF THE S106)
	 Ref no: HW/PL/03/00356
	Application: Four storey 88 Bedroom Travelodge
	Location: Former Longman Site, Burnt Mill, Harlow.
	• Ref no: HW/PL/03/00445
	 Application: Football stadium for Harlow Town Football Club
	 Location: Barrows Farm, Roydon Road
	• Ref no: HW/PL/03/00449
	Application: Construction of a wet and dry Sport Centre and parking,
	together with a replacement car park for Harlow College

 Location: Harlow College, Velizy Avenue (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)
 Ref no: HW/PL/04/00342 Application: Distribution and warehouse facility with associated accommodation Location: Harvey Business Park, Harlow

6.6 LEISURE & CULTURE

Policy	L1
Indicator	Number of playing fields lost where no comparable replacement is provided.
Target	No loss of playing fields to development unless in accordance with Policy L1.
Actual	0%
Commentary	 The following two applications involved loss of playing fields or sporting facilities. However both these applications were conditional on the facilities being replaced: Ref no: HW/PL/03/00443 Application: Outline application for redevelopment of the Harlow Sport Centre Site for residential purposes Location: Newhall, London Road, Harlow (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106) Ref no: HW/PL/03/00444 Application: Outline consent for residential development of existing pool site Location: Harlow Council Pool, First Avenue, Harlow (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)

Policy	L3
Indicator	Number of sports, leisure or recreational facility lost where no comparable
	replacement is provided.
Target	No loss of sport, leisure or recreation facility to development unless in accordance with Policy L3.
Actual	No loss
Commentary	No applications have been submitted.

Policy	L15
Indicator	Number of cultural & entertainment facilities lost where no comparable
	replacement is provided.
Target	No loss of cultural & entertainment facilities to development unless in
	accordance with Policy L15.
Actual	1 community facility was lost to development.
Commentary	The following application involved the loss of a community facility:
	 Ref no: HW/PL/04/00363 Application: Erection of 4 residential dwellings and garages Location: Hare Street Gospel Hall, Hare Street, Harlow NB This decision was allowed due a restriction on the lease, which only

	allowed use by one community group who no longer exists.

6.7 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Policy	NE1
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for development in Green Wedge.
Target	No planning applications approved for development that is contrary to Policy NE1.
Actual	0% applications approved
Commentary	The following application for development on Green Wedge was refused:
	 Ref no: HW/PL/05/00090 Application: Installation of a relocatable building for continuation of childcare facilities Location: The Henry Moore Primary School, Hadley Grange, Klyn Lane

Policy	NE4
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for development in Green Belt.
Target	No planning applications approved for development that is contrary to Policy NE4.
Actual	None
Commentary	No applications have been submitted for development in Green Belt areas that is contrary to Policy NE6.

Policy	NE6
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for development in Special Restraint Areas.
Target	No planning applications approved for development that is contrary to Policy NE6.
Actual	None
Commentary	 One application was received and approved on Special Restraint Area. This was considered to meet the Green Belt Policy test, as it was a sport and outdoor recreation facility. The application was: Ref no: HW/PL/04/00252 Application: Construction of a new Sports Hall and Athletics track Location: Mark Hall, First Avenue, Harlow Note that S/R areas have been removed from the Deposit Local Plan so this indicator will no longer be used in future monitoring reports.

Policy	NE8/NE16/NE17/NE18/NE19
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for development on the
	internal Open Spaces, wildlife sites & verges.
Target	No planning applications approved for development that is contrary to
	Policies NE8, NE16, NE17, NE18 & NE19
Actual	One application approved for development on open space.
Commentary	One application was approved for development on open space:

• Ref no: HW/PL/04/00233
• Application: To change land from open space to private garden area.
 Location: Land adjacent to 57, Moorfield, Harlow

6.8 BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Policy	BE5										
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved for change of use, alteration or extension to any building open to the public or used for educational or employment purposes that has full accessibility for all.										
Target	100% of planning applications approved, to which Policy BE5 applies, meet policy requirements.										
Actual	66%										
Commentary	 The following applications made provision for full accessibility as set out by policy BE5: Ref no: HW/PL/04/00387 Application: 2 storey construction house Location: Velizy Ave, Harlow Ref no: HW/PL/03/00445 Application: Football stadium for Harlow Town Football Club Location: Burrows Farm, Roydon Road, Harlow Application which Policy BE5 might apply and has no condition regarding policy BE5: Ref no: HW/PL/04/00252 Application: Construction of a new sports hall and athletics track. Location: Mark Hall, First Avenue, Harlow 										

Policy	BE7									
Indicator	Number of listed buildings that are damaged or demolished each year.									
Target	o listed buildings damaged or demolished through development.									
Actual	lone									
Commentary	No listed buildings were damaged or demolished									
	14 applications were received for alterations and extensions to listed buildings.									

Policy	BE17												
Indicator	The percentage of sites that may contain archaeological remains and are proposed for development that are given an archaeological field evaluation.												
Target	100% of planning applications approved (for developments to which Policy BE17 applies) meet policy requirements.												
Actual	100%												
Commentary	 Policy BE17 applied to the following applications which all were required to complete and archaeological evaluation. These applications were: Ref no: HW/PL/04/00124 Application: Erection of 5 dwellings with associated garages Location: Blackbird, Red Lion Lane, Harlow Ref no: HW/PL/04/00179 												

 Application: Erection of a two storied building and associated car parking Location: Greenways, Harlow Business Park, Royden Road

6.9 REGENERATING THE TOWN CENTRE

Policy	RTCS1
Indicator	Percentage of retail/town centre uses' floor area completed in:
	d) Town Centre
	e) Neighbourhood Centres
	f) Hatches
Target	More than 90% of floor area completed, to which Policy RTCS1 applies, meet policy requirements (i.e. less that 10% on out of town centre sites).
Actual	
Actual	0%
Commentary	No applications received to which this policy applies.

Policy	RTCS1
Indicator	New Out of Centre Sites.
Target	No planning applications approved for new out of centre sites.
Actual	None
Commentary	No applications received.
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Policy	RTCS10
Indicator	Percentage of A1 uses to A2 & A3 in primary shopping frontage.
Target	No planning applications approved which increase A2 & A3 uses above 15%
	of primary shopping frontage.
Actual	0%
Commentary	Two applications for change of use from A1 to A2 and A3 were received. Both applications were refused planning permission.

6.10 COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Policy	CP1
Indicator	Percentage of planning applications approved on major developments that provide and contribute to community facilities.
Target	100% of planning applications approved, to which Policy CP1 applies, meets policy requirements.
Actual	100%
Commentary	The following applications were required to contribute to community development:
	 Ref no: HW/PL/03/00443 Application: Outline application for redevelopment of the Harlow Sports Centre Site for residential purposes Location: Harlow Gateway Site, Hammarskjold (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE

AGREEMENT OF THE S106)

- Ref no: HW/PL/03/00444
- Application: Outline consent for residential development of existing pool site
 - Location: Harlow Council Swimming Pool, First Ave, Harlow
- (NB: THIS APPLICATION IS STILL DEPENDENT ON THE AGREEMENT OF THE S106)

7.0 MONITORING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FUTURE

As is acknowledged in the Government guidance on Annual Monitoring Reports, many of the Indicators that are not currently monitored will need to be implemented into the monitoring scheme for the future.

In the cases where the indicators have not previously been monitored, the most recent figures available have been used. This will help establish a baseline for comparison in following years.

Because of the stage of the Replacement Harlow Local Plan, and until the further progress of the LDF, it is unlikely that next year's Report will be able to address all of the monitoring requirements prescribed. Harlow is currently developing its electronic Acolaid system to allow for further indicators to be added to the reporting currently done on development control applications and decisions. Further technical developments will be required for the Council to ensure that the monitoring systems are robust and responsive to changing demands.

Harlow Council and Essex County Council have agreed to improve upon existing joint working in relation to both development monitoring and Strategic Environmental Assessment baseline data.

APPENDIX 1: HOUSING TRAJECTORY - DETAILS

	Total	Comment	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
Completions	2975		471	683	538	539	258	139	9 149	9 96	6 102						
	0																
Security Constant		Difficulty in negotiating the level of affordable housing now the Housing Corporation is unable to commit a reasonable level of funding. This is despite that they are actively involved and would like to support the scheme. Without sufficient level of funding to ensure that Housing Association would be interested in the site when 30% affordable housing is required on a site that is also delivering the regeneration of sports facilities. Work planned start April											50				
Sports Centre	530	Awaiting sec106 comment as Sports											50	150	150	150	30
Swimming Pool	60	centre													10	50	
Old Harlow		Consultation has started with local residents and business. However the mobile homes for homeless, which are at end of their useful life, need to be removed and the site developed in order to facilitate the regeneration of the area. It is difficult to find alternative accommodation for the homeless in the current financial climate. Consultants appointed to look in detail at this area, with a view to bring forward using government grant														10	15
Faircroft Little Bays	20	As Old Harlow														10	10
Northbrooks	52	Consultation with local residents has begun														25	27
Sherards House	10	Mobile homes on site at end of useful life															10
Rye Croft Garages		This project had been delayed due to the difficulty in getting funding from Housing Corporation, (Growth Areas funding was also failed) for self build scheme even when it was attracting other funding from training and the Arts and despite it being a regeneration project. Funding has been finally secured from Housing Corporation and the site development is now under constuction										14	4				
Marshgate Farm		Site remains as an allocation in the Local Plan following Inspector's recommendations													10		

	Total	Comment	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
Completions	2975		471	683	538				149	96	102						
•	0																
		Has been developed to high design standard (acknowledged by numerous awards). However this has delayed the development process and speed of completions, as it has been difficult to get developers to build to these standards. There has also been skilled labour shortage to deliver these high standards. The owners have now formed their own development company and have produced action plan to achieve greater															
New Hall	000	number of completions and variety of materials used will be compromised.										50	100	150	200	200	200
	900	inatenais used will be compromised.										50	100	150	200	200	200
Windfall	300	Remainder of Urban Capacity modified to 400 dwellings 03-11										50	50	50	50	50	50
	0	Ŭ.															
Church Langley		Despite rapid completions in past, the developer has slowed down completions to average of 50 per year over the last couple of years from peak of 400 The Council has no ability to ensure that a developer maintains a reasonable level of completions on a site or completes the development of the site within a given time.										50	50	50	26	5	
Downs School	24	Owned by Essex County Council who are not bring this site forward for development.											24				
Rear 2-6 Potters Field	25	Under Construction										12	13				
Former Longmans	85	Under Construction											85				
Prospect Royal	91	Allowed on appeal													91		
BMF Parnall Road	32	May increase to 45 units												32			
Maunds Hatch	18														18	3	
Walfords Close	14												14				
Wych Elm	200	Allocated in proposed modification awaits outcome of Inquiry												50	50	50	50
Small Sites	42	Sites of under 10 dwellings										6	6	7	7	8	8
Total	5297		471	683	538	539	258	139	149	96	102	182	392	489	612	2 553	400
Structure Plan																	
Average	5445		363	363	363	363	363	363	363	363	363	363	363	363	363	363	363