

## Appendix 1: Links to Other Plans, Policies, Programmes and Sustainability Objectives

A1.1 Rother District Council has reviewed the relevant policies, plans, programmes, strategies and initiatives for the Sustainability Appraisal. This updates the versions previously published in January 2020 (in the previous SA Scoping Report). A number of historic documents that were reviewed for the last Local Plan, remain in this list as an important context setting at this stage of the Local Plan.

**Table A1. Relevant policies, plans, strategies, programmes and sustainability objectives**

Title	Date
<b>International</b>	
<a href="#">International Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar Convention) (1976):</a>	1976
International Convention on Biological Diversity (1992)	1992
Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change	1997
United Nations. Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD), Johannesburg – Commitments arising from Johannesburg Summit.	2002
International Convention on Biological Diversity 1992 & 2010	2010
Millennium Development Goals (UN). Goal 7 – Ensure Environmental Sustainability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Target 1: Integrate the principles of sustainable development into country policies and programmes and reverse the loss of environmental resources.</li> <li>Target 2: Reduce biodiversity loss, achieving by 2010 a significant reduction in the rate of loss.</li> </ul>	On-going
UNESCO World Heritage Convention	1972
United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change ‘the Paris Agreement’	2015
<a href="#">UN Resolution 2015 Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (2015)</a>	2015
<b>European</b>	
European Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats (Bern Convention) (1979)	1979
SEA Directive 2001/42/EC	2001
EC Council Directive on the Conservation of Habitats and of Wild Fauna and Flora 92/43/EEC (the ‘Habitats Directive’)	1992
European Communities Directive on the Conservation of Wild Birds. Directive 2009/147/EC (this is the codified version of Directive 79/409/EEC as amended) (the ‘Birds Directive’)	2009
European Spatial Development Perspective	1999
European Landscape Convention	2004
European Strategy on Sustainable Development	2001 and 2009 Update
EU Seventh Environmental Action Plan to 2020	2013
The Landfill Directive (1999/31/EC)	1999

Title	Date
EU Directive 91/676/EEC concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources	1991
EU COM (2002) 581 final: Proposal for a Directive concerning the quality of bathing water	2002
EU Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EC)	2000 and 2008
European Thematic Strategy for Soil Protection 2006	2006
The Directive on Waste. Directive <a href="#">2008/98/EC</a>	2008
Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive 2002/96/EC	2002
EU Directive 2002/49/EC relating to the assessment and management of environmental <u>noise</u>	2002
EU COM (06) 848: Renewable Energy Road Map	2006
Renewable Energy Directive 2009/28/ec	2009
EU Air Quality Directive - Ambient Air Quality and Cleaner Air for Europe 2008/50/EC	2008
The Floods Directive 2007/60/EC	2007
EU Biodiversity Strategy to 2020	2011
Directive 98/62/EC on the quality of water intended for human consumption	1998
<a href="#">United Nations Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision- Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (1998)</a>	1998
Industrial Emissions Directive 2010/75/EU	2010
European Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (2010)	2010
European Convention for the Protection of the Architectural Heritage of Europe (1985)	1985
Valletta Treaty (1992) formerly the European Convention on the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage (Revisited)	1992
European Urban Waste Water Directive (1991)	1991
European Air Quality Framework Directive (1996) and Air Quality Directive (2008)	2008
European Drinking Water Directive (1998)	1998
<b>National</b>	
<a href="#">National 'Planning Practice Guidance'</a> (PPG)	2014 (On-going updates)
<a href="#">National Planning Policy Framework</a> (as updated)	2023
Local Planning Regulations CLG Jul-11	2011 as updated
<a href="#">Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017</a>	2017
<a href="#">The Government's 25 Year Environment Plan (2018)</a>	2018
<a href="#">The UK Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP)</a>	1994
<a href="#">National Infrastructure Plan</a> Treasury	2014
CLG <a href="#">Localism Act</a>	2011
Water Act	2003
HM Treasury and Dept. of Business, Innovation & Skills Policy Statement 'Planning for Growth'	2011
Department of Health 'White Paper - Healthy Lives, Healthy People'	2010
<a href="#">Marine and Coastal Access Act</a>	2009

Title	Date
DEFRA Marine Policy Statement	2011
The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (Chapter 8 covers Land Use Plans)	2010
Waste Regulations 2011 (England and Wales)	2011
DEFRA <a href="#">National Policy Statement for Waste Water</a>	2012
National Planning Policy for Waste	2014
National Waste Strategy	2007
DECC. National Policy Statement 1 – Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy	2011
DECC. National Policy Statement 3 for Renewable Energy Infrastructure (EN-3)	2011
DECC. National Policy Statement 2 for Fossil Fuel Electricity Generating Infrastructure (EN-2)	2011
DECC. National Policy Statement for Gas Supply Infrastructure and Gas and Oil Pipelines (EN-4)	2011
DECC. National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks Infrastructure (EN-5)	2011
DECC. National Policy Statement for Nuclear Power Generation (EN-6)	2011
National Policy Statement: Hazardous Waste	2013
Dept. of Business, Innovation & Skills 'Local growth white paper'	2010
CLG, DEFRA, DTI, DfT White Paper 'Planning for a Sustainable Future'	2007
<a href="#">Town and Country Planning Act 1990</a>	1990
Planning and Compulsory Purchase Acts 2004 and 2008	2004 & 2008
DEFRA Sustainable Development Strategy 'Foundations of our Future'	2002
DfT 'Towards a Sustainable Transport System: Supporting economic Growth in a Low Carbon Economy'	2007
The Plan for Growth Implementation update	2013
The Carbon Plan: Delivering our Low Carbon Future	2011
Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act	1990
White Paper Heritage Protection for the 21st Century	2007
DCMS 'The Historic Environment: a Force for Our Future'	2001
Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act	1979
DEFRA 'Future Water: The Government's Water Strategy for England	2008
ODPM 'The Planning response to Climate Change: advice on better practice'	2004
DEFRA 'Climate Change Act'	2008
The Air Quality (England) Regulations 2000 and 2002 Amendment	2000 & 2002
DEFRA 'Air Quality Strategy for England, Scotland, Wales and NI'	2011
DEFRA 'Strategy for Sustainable Farming and Food'	2004
DfT 'Delivering a Sustainable Transport System'	2008
Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended)	1981
Biodiversity: UK Action Plan	2007
The Government's Strategy for Combined Heat and Power to 2010	2002
DTI 'Energy White Paper, Meeting the Energy Challenge'	2007
DTI Energy Review 'The Energy Challenge'	2006
DEFRA <a href="#">Securing the future: delivering UK sustainable development strategy</a>	2005
UK Climate Change Programme	2006
UK Climate Change Risk Assessment (2022)	2022
Countryside and Rights of Way Act (CROW)	2000
Working with the Grain of Nature – A Biodiversity Strategy for England	2011
<a href="#">Safeguarding our soils: A Strategy for England</a> Defra	2009
The <a href="#">Flood and Water Management Act</a> 2010 HMSO	2010

Title	Date
<a href="#">The Pitt Review: Learning Lessons from the 2007 Floods</a> Independent Report to Government	2008
<a href="#">Soil Action Plan for England 2004-2006</a> Defra	2004
<a href="#">Safeguarding our Soils: A strategy for England (2011)</a>	2011
Environment Agency 'Water for people and the environment: <a href="#">Water Resources Strategy for England and Wales</a> '	2009
The National Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy for England (Environment Agency)	2011
DEFRA <a href="#">Making space for water</a> : Taking forward a new Government strategy for flood and coastal erosion risk management in England.	2005
<a href="#">Future water</a> : the Government's water strategy for England DEFRA Feb-08	2008
<a href="#">Water for Life (White Paper)</a> DEFRA Dec 2011	2011
<a href="#">Government Review of Waste Policy in England</a> Defra 2011	2011
Waste Management Plan for England	2013
DfT <a href="#">White Paper: Creating Growth, Cutting Carbon</a>	2011
Department for Transport <a href="#">Guidance on Accessibility Planning in Local Transport Plans</a>	2004
Department for Transport <a href="#">Delivering a Sustainable Transport System</a>	2008
Department for Transport <a href="#">Active Travel Strategy</a>	2010
<a href="#">Future of mobility: urban strategy' (2019)</a>	2019
<a href="#">Inclusive Transport Strategy (2018)</a>	2018
<a href="#">Transport Investment Strategy (2017)</a>	2017
DEFRA <a href="#">Noise Policy Statement for England</a>	2010
DoH <a href="#">White Paper – Healthy Lives, Healthy People</a>	2010
DECC 'Home Energy Conservation Act 1995 (HMSO)'	2013
Energy Act	2008
DECC UK Renewable Energy Roadmap (2011). Updates setting out progress and changes to the strategy dated 2013 and 2013).	2013
DECC <a href="#">UK Renewable Energy Strategy</a>	2009
DECC <a href="#">Microgeneration Strategy</a>	2011
The UK Bioenergy Strategy	2012
DECC The Energy Efficiency Opportunity in the UK	2012
CLG & DfT 'Manual for Streets 1 & 2'	2007
English Heritage 'Conservation Principles, Policies and Guidance'	2008
English Heritage / Historic England 'Corporate Plan 2015 to 2018	2015
National Parks & Countryside Act	1949
Environmental Protection Act	1990
DEFRA <a href="#">Marine Policy Statement</a>	2011
DEFRA 'The National Adaptation Programme – Making the Country Resilient to a Changing Climate	2013
Ministry of State for Environment and Agri-Environment 'Nottingham Declaration on Climate Change'	2000
DECC <a href="#">Beyond Copenhagen: The UK Government's International Climate Change Action Plan</a>	2010
<a href="#">Climate Change Act</a>	2008
Conservation (Natural Habitats &c) Regulations	2010

Title	Date
DEFRA <a href="#">Biodiversity 2020: A Strategy for England's Wildlife and Ecosystem Services (2011)</a>	2011
Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act	2006
DEFRA <a href="#">Natural Environment White Paper</a> Defra	2011
The Environment Act	1995
Natural England 'Green Infrastructure and the Urban Fringe'	2009
Building a Greener Future: Policy Statement (DCLG)	2007
<a href="#">Clean Air Strategy</a>	2019
<a href="#">National Air Pollution Control Programme, DEFRA</a>	2019
CLG 'Code for Sustainable Homes': <a href="#">Setting the Sustainability Standards for New Homes</a> and accompanying <a href="#">Technical Guidance - November 2010</a>	2008 & 2010
Door to Door: A Strategy for Improving Sustainable Integration (DfT 2013)	2013
RTPI/Planning & Climate Change Coalition 'planning for climate change – guidance and model policies for local authorities'	2010
English Partnerships and the Housing Corporation 'Delivering Quality Places, Urban Design Compendium 2'	2009
Environment Agency 'Groundwater Protection: Policy and Protection'	2013
Environment Agency 'Water for Life and Livelihoods: A Strategy for River Basin Planning'	2006
Planning Policy for Traveller Sites (DCLG)	2012 (updated)
Lifetime Neighbourhoods	2011
Laying the Foundations: A Housing Strategy for England (DCLG)	2011
The Self-build and Custom House-building Act	2015
The Housing and Planning Act	2016
UK Air Information Resource (UK-AIR), DEFRA	2024
<a href="#">National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory</a>	On-going
<a href="#">Pollutant and Release Transfer Register</a>	On-going
Public Health England Strategy 2020-2025	2020
<a href="#">Noise exposure data - England, DEFRA</a>	2011
<a href="#">The Government's Statement on the Historic Environment for England 2010</a>	2010
<a href="#">The Heritage Statement (2017)</a>	2017
Historic England's 'Sustainability Appraisal and Strategic Environmental Assessment' Advice Note (2016)	2016
<a href="#">The 2017 White Paper UK Industrial Strategy</a>	2017
<b>Regional</b>	
South East England Biodiversity Forum 'South East Biodiversity Forum'	2009
Forestry Commission 'Seeing the Woods for the Trees – Regional Forestry Framework'	2004
English Heritage 'Heritage Counts 2013: The State of the South East's Historic Environment'	2013
English Heritage 'Streets for All – South East' – a regional English Heritage guide to the management of streets and public open spaces	2006
South 2 East Energy Strategy to 2050	2019
<a href="#">South East River Basin Management (2016)</a>	2016
<a href="#">South East Local Enterprise Partnership: Strategic Economic Plan (2014)</a>	2014
<a href="#">Transport Strategy for the South East (2019)</a>	2019
<b>Sub Regional / County</b>	
Pride of Place – a Community Strategy for East Sussex	2003

Title	Date
ESCC, SDNPA and B&HCC 'Waste and Minerals Local Plan for East Sussex'	2013
Draft Submission Waste and Minerals Sites Plan (submitted to Government on 15 April 2016)	2016
East Sussex and B&Hove Waste Local Plan (Saved Polices only)	2006
East Sussex and B&Hove Minerals Local Plan (Saved Polices only)	1999
Southern Water 'Water Resource Management Plan 2020-2070'	2020
South East Water 'Water Resource Management Plan 2020-2080'	2020
NHS East Sussex Downs & Weald 'Investing in Life'	2009
<a href="#">NHS Hastings and Rother Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Five Year Strategic Plan (2014-2019)</a>	2014
<a href="#">NHS Hastings and Rother CCG 'Healthy Hastings and Rother'</a>	2014
East Sussex Downs & Weald PCT, Hastings & Rother PCT 'Reducing Health Inequalities in East Sussex'	2010
East Sussex and Brighton & Hove <a href="#">Construction &amp; Demolition Waste SPD</a>	2006
Sussex Biodiversity Partnership <a href="#">From Rio to Sussex Action for Biodiversity: a Biodiversity Action Plan for Sussex</a>	1998
Sussex Biodiversity Opportunity Areas	2009
South Foreland to Beachy Head Shoreline Management Plan	2006
Environment Agency Catchment Flood Management Plan: Rother and Romney	2009
<a href="#">Environment Agency ' River Basin Management Plan South East River Basin District (2009)</a>	2009
<a href="#">Environment Agency Catchment Flood Management Plan: Cuckmere and Sussex Havens (2009)</a>	2009
Environment Agency Catchment Flood Management Plan: Medway	2009
Rother Catchment Abstraction Licensing Strategy	2013
ESCC 'Strategic Open Space Study'	2011
<a href="#">East Sussex 'Green Infrastructure Study'</a>	2014
East Sussex Environment Strategy	2020
ESCC 'Climate Change Strategy'	2009
High Weald AONB Joint Advisory Committee 'The High Weald AONB Management Plan (2014-19)'	2014
Environment Agency ' River Basin Management Plan South East River Basin District	2009
South East Coastal Group 'Beachy Head to Selsey Bill Shoreline Management Plan First Review Final Report'	2006
East Sussex Landscape Character Assessment	2010
East Sussex Energy Partnership	On-going
East Sussex Growth Strategy	2014
ESCC 'Draft Revised East Sussex Local Flood Risk Management Strategy 2016 – 2026'	2016
ESCC 'Guide to Sustainable Drainage Systems in East Sussex'	2015
AECOM 'Water, People, Places – A guide for master planning sustainable drainage into developments' Prepared by the Lead Local Flood Authorities of the South East of England	2013
East Sussex Joint Waste Strategy 2014 to 2025	2014
East Sussex Green Infrastructure Study	2014
<a href="#">European Site Conservation Objectives for Pevensey Levels SCI (UK0030367)</a>	2014
<a href="#">Natural England 'Site Improvement Plan for the Pevensey Levels' (SIP171)</a>	2014
England Coast Path in the south east of England	Ongoing
Marine Management Plan 'South Inshore and South Offshore marine plan areas – Options Consultation Summary	2015

Title	Date
Hastings Borough Council 'Development Management Plan: Adopted September 2015	2015
Hastings Planning Strategy: Adopted February 2014	2014
Hastings Local Plan 2019-2029 Regulation 18 Stage	2023
Folkestone & Hythe District Council Core Strategy Review (2022)	2022
Folkestone & Hythe District Council Places and Policies Local Plan (2020)	2020
Ashford Local Plan 2030	2019
Ashford Borough Council. Tenterden and Rural Sites DPD 2012	2012
Tunbridge Wells Local Plan 2038 - Examination and Modifications Consultation	2024
Tunbridge Wells Borough Council Core Strategy. Adopted 2010.	2010
Tunbridge Wells Borough Council Site Allocations Plan. Adopted 2016.	2016
Wealden District Council: Local Plan Regulation 18 Stage	2024
Wealden District Council Core Strategy. Adopted February 2013.	2013
Wealden District Council. Local Plan - Issues, Options and Recommendations 2015	Ongoing
Wealden District Council. Adopted 1998 Local Plan (Saved Policies)	1998 and saved policies 2007
Eastbourne Local Plan 2019-2039 Growth Strategy	2023
Eastbourne Borough Council. Core Strategy Local Plan. Adopted February 2013	2013
Eastbourne Town Centre Local Plan- adopted on 20 November 2013	2013
Eastbourne Borough Plan (2003) - saved policies.	2003
The Sussex Air Quality Partnership (Sussex-Air)	On-going
The East Sussex County Council Local Transport Plan (2011 to 2026)	2011 and updates
ESCC 'East Sussex Local Transport Plan 3' 2011-2026 (LTP3)	2011
<a href="#">Draft East Sussex Local Transport Plan 2024 – 2050</a>	2024
<a href="#">East Sussex Safer Communities Partnership's Business Plan (2017-2020)</a>	2017
<b>Local / District</b>	
Rother District Local Plan (Saved policies)	2006
Rother District Core Strategy	2011
Rother District Development and Site Allocations Local Plan	2019
Rother District Local Plan Draft 'Equalities Impact Assessment'	2024
Rother Community Plan	2004
Rother Corporate Plan 2020-2027	2020
Rother Economic Regeneration Strategy 2010 – 2015	2010
Hastings and Bexhill Economic Development and Inclusion Strategy (2008-2013)	2008
Rother Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy 2005-2008	2005
Rother Cultural and Leisure Strategy	2006
Rother District Council Housing, Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2019-2024	2019
Rye Conservation Area Appraisal	2006
Battle Conservation Area Appraisal	2006
Bexhill Town Centre Conservation Area Appraisal	2004
Sedlescombe Conservation Area Appraisal	2004
Robertsbridge Conservation Area Appraisal	2009
Camber Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)	2014

Title	Date
<p>Rother District Council Local Plan <u>Background Evidence Studies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing and Employment Land Availability Assessment (HELAA)</li> <li>• Housing and Economic Development Needs Assessment (HEDNA)</li> <li>• Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA)</li> <li>• East Sussex Gypsies, Travellers &amp; Travelling Showpeople Accommodation Needs Assessment</li> <li>• Settlement Study</li> <li>• Density Study</li> <li>• Hastings and Rother Playing Pitch and Built Facilities Study</li> <li>• Climate Change Study</li> <li>• Retail and Town Centre Uses Study</li> <li>• Engagement and Duty to Cooperate Statement</li> <li>• Local Plan Background Papers: Housing, Employment, Development Strategy, Infrastructure, Environmental Management, Infrastructure, Heritage, Landscape Character, Climate Change.</li> </ul>	2020 (onwards)
<p>Rother District Council Local Plan <u>Background Evidence Studies (for the previous Core Strategy and DaSA Local Plans.</u></p> <p>Various including: Rother Open Space, Sport and Recreation Study, Green Infrastructure Study, Playing Pitch Strategy, Landscape Assessments, Strategic Flood Risk Assessment, Low Carbon &amp; Renewable Energy Potential Study, Housing Studies &amp; Papers, Transport Studies &amp; Papers, Economic &amp; Commercial Studies &amp; Papers, Infrastructure Delivery Plan, Procedural Papers, Consultation Statements and Spatial Area Studies.</p> <p>DASA specific background papers: Strategic Gaps, North Bexhill, GI Addendum, Employment Sites Review, Affordable Housing Contributions, Water Efficiency, Sites Methodology Paper, Renewable Energy.</p>	Various
<p>Adopted Neighbourhood Plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Battle</li> <li>• Rye</li> <li>• Robertsbridge</li> <li>• Ticehurst</li> <li>• Burwash</li> <li>• Crowhurst</li> <li>• Sedlescombe</li> <li>• Peasmash (soon to be adopted)</li> </ul>	Various
Parish Local Action Plans	Various
Habitats Regulation Assessment for the Rother Local Plan 2020-2040	2040
<p>Rother Core Strategy Housing Numbers Habitat Regulations Implications Analysis Prepared for: Rother District Council by URS</p>	July 2013
<p>Rother and Shepway Core Strategies Habitat Regulations Assessment (Dungeness SAC; Dungeness to Pett Level SPA and SPA extension; and Dungeness, Romney Marsh and Rye Bay proposed Ramsar site) Final report</p>	July 2011
<p>Rother and Shepway Core Strategies Habitat Regulations Assessment (Dungeness SAC; Dungeness to Pett Level SPA and SPA extension; and Dungeness, Romney Marsh and Rye Bay proposed Ramsar site) Final report following Publication Stage consultation</p>	January 2012

Title	Date
URS / Scott Wilson. Rother Core Strategy Habitat Regulations Assessment – Likely Significant Effects (Hastings Cliffs SAC) Final report	June 2011
Wealden & Rother Core Strategies Appropriate Assessment Hydrology Local to the Pevensey Levels	September 2010
Appropriate Assessment and Air Quality Local to the Pevensey Levels Ramsar Site A Report to Support the Appropriate Assessment for Rother, Wealden, Hastings and Eastbourne Core Strategies	June 2009
Rother District Council 'Community Infrastructure Levy' (CIL) Charging Schedule	2016
Rother District Council 'Infrastructure Delivery Plan' (IDP)	2024 (as updated)
Shepway District Council & Rother District Council 'Sustainable Access Strategy'	On-going
Hastings and Rother Quality Bus Partnership	On-going
Sussex Biodiversity Record Centre 'Biodiversity Annual Monitoring Report'	Annual
<a href="#">air quality management area records</a> and <a href="#">modelled background pollution concentrations</a>	On-going
<a href="#">Rother District Council's Environment Strategy (February 2020)</a>	2020
<a href="#">Active Communities – a Strategy for Rother (2013)</a>	2013
<a href="#">Rother District Council Housing and Homelessness Strategy (2018)</a>	2018
<a href="#">Hastings Homelessness &amp; Rough Sleeping Strategy 2019-2023</a>	2019
Rother District Council Strategic Housing Research Project (SHRP) (2018)	2018