

# Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

## **2004 CHAPTER 5**

#### PART 6

#### WALES

## Plans

## 62 Local development plan

- (1) The local planning authority must prepare a plan for their area to be known as a local development plan.
- (2) The plan must set out—
  - (a) the authority's objectives in relation to the development and use of land in their area;
  - (b) their general policies for the implementation of those objectives.
- (3) The plan may also set out specific policies in relation to any part of the area of the authority.
- (4) Regulations under this section may prescribe the form and content of the plan.
- (5) In preparing a local development plan the authority must have regard to—
  - (a) current national policies;
  - (b) the Wales Spatial Plan;
  - (c) the RSS for any region which adjoins the area of the authority;
  - (d) the community strategy prepared by the authority;
  - (e) the community strategy for any other authority whose area comprises any part of the area of the local planning authority;
  - (f) the resources likely to be available for implementing the plan;
  - (g) such other matters as the Assembly prescribes.

(6) The authority must also—

- (a) carry out an appraisal of the sustainability of the plan;
- (b) prepare a report of the findings of the appraisal.
- (7) The community strategy is the strategy prepared by an authority under section 4 of the Local Government Act 2000 (c. 22).
- (8) A plan is a local development plan only in so far as it—
  - (a) is adopted by resolution of the local planning authority as a local development plan;
  - (b) is approved by the Assembly under section 65 or 71.