Penrith Neighbourhood Development Plan 2019-2032

Response to initial comments of the Independent Examiner by Eden District Council, provided to assist the forthcoming recorded video conference call, in place of a public hearing, on 9 February 2021.

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Paragraph 13: Strategic Policies

Within the Eden local plan 2014-2032 the following policies coloured Red are considered to be strategic policies.

Those policies coloured Blue contain strategic elements.

Those policies coloured Black are not considered to be strategic policies.

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Paragraph 25 (14): HRA Screening

Eden District Council has reviewed the SEA and HRA Screening undertaken by Kirkwells on behalf of Penrith Town Council and confirm that we are in agreement with their conclusions.

Paragraph 17: Topic B: Renewable Energy Statement

Eden District Council has a national and local checklist guidance for applications for full planning permission and this is available via the following link:

https://www.eden.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning/planning-application-submission/planning-application-forms/#Planning-permission
Section 14 relates to the requirement to provide a Renewable Energy Statement and confirms the following: 'A Renewable Energy Statement will be required for all major new development. The statement should show the predicted energy demands of the proposed development and the degree to which the development meets current energy efficient standards.'

The Local List was last updated on the 30 January 2017. The development management team were preparing to complete a review of the local list in March 2020, but due to the onset of the Covid19 pandemic this work was put to one side to give priority to the processing of planning and other applications together with enforcement et cetera. The review will recommence as soon as time and resources allow.

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