

## Foreword

As part of the pre-deposit stage of preparation, land-owners, developers and the public were asked to nominate 'Candidate Sites' for consideration for inclusion within the Bridgend Local Development Plan (LDP).

The period for the submission of sites was from 9<sup>th</sup> November 2006 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2007.

The purpose for asking for the nomination of sites was to ensure that, if land for development is allocated in the Plan, realistic sites are available for potential development within the Plan period (up to 2021).

**It is important to stress at this stage that publication in this Candidate Site Register DOES NOT confirm that a site will be taken forward for inclusion within pre-deposit proposals and / or the deposit LDP, nor does it imply any preference of the Local Planning Authority regarding its merits. This includes any candidate sites which have been submitted by internal departments within the Council. This Register is NOT a public consultation document; merely a statement of fact of the sites which have been submitted at this stage.**

**If the Council's Preferred Development Strategy indicates that further land is required for development, the information provided on the Candidate Sites Questionnaire Form (which has been verified by Council Officers) will be used to assess sites against the Strategy for their possible inclusion within the pre-deposit proposals and / or deposit LDP. This assessment will also include a Sustainability Appraisal of those sites.**

An index of the Candidate Sites follows this foreword. Sites are listed alphabetically by settlement. The Register itself gives a location map of the site, together with limited information including the use(s) which have been suggested and its unique reference number.

Copies of the actual submitted Candidate Site Assessment Questionnaire forms are available for inspection at the Council's Planning Department only. Queries regarding the sites or submitted forms will **not** be answered by email or phone. Council Officers will not discuss at this stage any merits or otherwise of individual sites as this would be premature. Those sites which are being proposed for inclusion in the LDP will be made available for full public consultation at the pre-deposit stage.

Any planning applications submitted on Candidate Sites will continue to be assessed in the usual way under relevant policies contained within the adopted Bridgend Unitary Development Plan (UDP), until such a time as they are superseded by the LDP.