BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004
The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes (Wales) Regulations 2004
The Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan) (Wales) Regulations 2005 (Regulation 17)
Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010

Notice of Deposit of Proposals for a Local Development Plan

BRIDGEND LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (LDP) 2006-2021

Bridgend County Borough Council has prepared Local Development Plan (LDP) documents for the above plan. The LDP will, upon adoption, replace the current development plan and form the basis for decisions on land use planning for Bridgend County Borough.

The LDP documents include the ‘deposit LDP’, the Sustainability Appraisal Report (which incorporates the Environmental Report), an initial Consultation Report together with other supporting documents.

Copies of the documents are available for public inspection free of charge from 4th July 2011 until the 9th September 2011 during normal office hours at:

• The Customer Service Centre, Bridgend County Borough Council, Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB
• all public and mobile libraries in Bridgend County Borough.

They are also available to view or download from the Council’s website at: www.bridgend.gov.uk/ldp.

Representations (including objections) in respect of the deposit LDP, should be sent on the prescribed forms to:

Group Manager – Development, Bridgend County Borough Council, Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB or by email to: ldp@bridgend.gov.uk or online via www.bridgend.gov.uk/ldp before 5pm on Friday 9th September 2011.

Representations (including those taking the form of objections) should specify the matters to which they relate. Objections should also specify the change sought, the grounds on which they are made and the test(s) of soundness to which they relate (see below). All representations made about the Plan will be available for the public to view.

The deposit LDP will be considered by an independent Inspector who will assess whether it is ‘sound’. There are a number of tests of soundness and these can be found on the comments form for making representations or at www.bridgend.gov.uk/ldp. Objections to the deposit LDP should make reference to these tests wherever possible.
Any representation proposing a new or extended site for development or one that proposes to incorporate a site rejected by the Authority should include information on the site’s compatibility with the plan’s sustainability appraisal and community involvement scheme.

Representations may also be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified address of the next stage of the LDP and/or that the LDP has been submitted to the Welsh Government for independent examination and/or the adoption of the plan.

The Local Planning Authority cannot change the plan at this stage but it can decide whether it is in favour of any changes proposed. Representations made in accordance with this notice (i.e. ‘duly made’) will be considered by an independent Inspector appointed to examine the soundness of the plan.

Only those making representations seeking to change the deposit LDP (i.e. objectors) whose representations were ‘duly made’ have the right to appear before and be heard by the Inspector at the Examination. (Section 64 (6) of the 2004 Act.).

Further Information is available from the above addresses (postal or email) or by calling 01656 643168.

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