



Joint Annual Monitoring Report



Monitoring year

1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013

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Executive Summary

The Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) plays an important role in reporting the progress that the council is making in the preparation of planning documents and the performance of existing planning policies.

This AMR covers the monitoring period 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013, and is based on the policies of the emerging West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland Local Plan. This monitoring report has been prepared jointly by West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough Council for the first time.

The AMR reported on the progress made in the preparation of planning documents in 2012/13 with reference to the schedule presented in the Local Development Scheme (LDS).

The LDS originally scheduled the submission of the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan for March 2013. However, the submission was delayed as an additional consultation stage was completed in March and April 2013 to address the significant levels of objection to some of the development proposals in the plan, particularly those at Barton Farm in Sherborne, Hollymoor Lane in Beaminster, and Crossways. As a result of this change to the schedule for plan preparation, an amended LDS was agreed in January 2013 and published in February 2013.

The target dates for the delivery of the Community Infrastructure Levy were met in 2012/13.

The Councils received Neighbourhood Plan area applications at Buckland Newton, Cerne Valley, Lodders (all February 2013), and Piddle Valley (March 2013) during 2012/13. These local communities are now developing their Neighbourhood Plans with the assistance of the Council.

The LDS does not contain any deadlines for the Dorset-wide Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Site Allocations Joint Development Plan Document. However, public consultation on the Issues and Options (including site options) took place between November 2011 and February 2012. The next stage in the production of this DPD is further consultation on sites which is scheduled for Summer 2014.

The monitoring indicated that the targets had not been met for policies ENV 2 (Wildlife and Habitats), SUS 1 (the level of Economic and Housing Growth), ECON 4 (Retail and Town Centre Development), HOUS 1 (Affordable Housing), and COM 3 (The Retention of Local Buildings and Community Structure) in the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan.

It is suggested that amendments are made to monitoring indicators under policies ENV 2 (Wildlife and Habitats), ENV 5 (Flood Risk) and ENV 9 (Pollution and Contaminated Land) to enable these indicators to be monitored in future.

No revisions to the existing policies in the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan are recommended in this report.

1. Introduction

This Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) presents the progress made in preparing local planning documents, and assesses the performance of these documents in meeting their aims and objectives during the period 31st March 2012 to 1st April 2013. It conforms with Section 34 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

This AMR has been prepared jointly by West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough Council in recognition of the joint working between the two councils, particularly in relation to the production of a joint West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan.

This report contains the following:

- A review of the progress of the local development scheme, which covers the the Local Plan, Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), and Neighbourhood Plan preparation;
- A summary of the actions taken in relation to the Council's Duty to Cooperate whilst developing these documents; and
- An account of the characteristics of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland and an evaluation of the performance of the strategic approach and policies contained in each chapter of the joint Local Plan – that is:
 - environment and climate change
 - a sustainable pattern of development
 - economy
 - housing
 - community needs and infrastructure

2. Local Development Scheme Progress

The Local Development Scheme (LDS) for West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland provides a programme for the preparation of local planning policy documents and presents key milestones in the timetable for their delivery.

The first joint LDS for West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland was approved in November 2012, and came into effect in January 2013. The joint LDS was updated in February 2013 to reflect the changes in the timetable for delivering the planning policy documents. Following the monitoring period, further changes to the joint LDS were made in June 2013.

This section reports on the progress made against the programme for delivery presented in the LDS for the following local planning policy documents:

- West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan;
- Dorset-wide Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Site Allocations Joint Development Plan Document;
- Neighbourhood Development Plans; and
- Community Infrastructure Levy;

West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland Local Plan

The LDS published in January 2013 presented a timetable for the delivery of the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan which is shown in Figure 2.1.

The January 2013 LDS proposed that the main issues raised during the pre-submission consultation and proposed changes would be considered and agreed in January 2013. The draft Plan, together with the list of changes, would then be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in March 2013.

Figure 2.1: Progress in delivering the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan against the LDS published in January 2013.

Stage in development	Target date for delivery	Target achieved
Pre-submission Consultation	June 2012	✓
Agree recommended changes	January 2013	X
Local Plan submission	March 2013	X

However, the pre-submission consultation raised significant levels of objection to some of the development proposals in the plan, particularly those at Barton Farm in Sherborne, Hollymoor Lane in Beaminster, and Crossways.

Therefore, an additional consultation stage prior to the submission of the Local Plan was proposed in order to respond to the findings of the consultation. An Alternative Strategy consultation considered the removal of the extension to the Barton Farm allocation at Sherborne, the removal or reduction of the Hollymoor Lane allocation at Beaminster, and the reduction (by about half) of the development allocation at Crossways, together with the addition of a new allocation south-east of Dorchester.

As a result of this change to the plan preparation, an amended LDS was agreed in January 2013 and published in February 2013.

Figure 2.2: Progress in delivering the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan against the LDS published in February 2013.

Stage in development	Target date for delivery	Target achieved
Alternative Strategy Consultation	March-April 2013	✓
Agree recommended changes	May-June 2013	✓
Local Plan submission	June 2013	✓

The alternative strategy consultation was completed on schedule during March and April 2013. Further plan progress has since been made outside of this monitoring period, post April 2013, including the successful submission of the joint Local Plan to the Planning Inspectorate for examination in June 2013 (Figure 2.2).

Dorset-wide Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Site Allocations Joint DPD

This development plan will allocate suitable permanent and transit sites for Gypsies and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople for the next 15 years.

This is a joint development plan being prepared with all the local planning authorities within Dorset, with each Council individually agreeing draft documents for consultation and submission. The decision on whether or not to adopt the plan will also be made by each Council individually.

Public consultation on the Issues and Options (including site options) took place between November 2011 and February 2012. Nearly 10,000 individual responses were received in response to the consultation, along with a further 6,400 signatures to various petitions. A number of alternative sites to those set out in the consultation document were proposed as part of the consultation responses, and these sites need further examination.

In March 2012 the Government introduced a revised planning policy for traveller sites, which replaced the previous guidance under which the DPD was being produced. This new guidance requires planning authorities to reconsider the accommodation needs for travellers in their area, and needs to be taken into account in the production of the DPD.

The LDS for West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland contained no milestones for this DPD during the monitoring period. The next stage in the production of this DPD is further consultation on sites which is scheduled for Summer 2014.

Neighbourhood Plans

Neighbourhood plans are planning policy documents prepared by local communities, giving local people the opportunity to influence the future of their area.

The first process in developing a neighbourhood plan is for those communities to apply to the local planning authority to suggest the area that they want to designate for their neighbourhood plan.

In the monitoring year 2012/13 West Dorset District Council received neighbourhood plan area applications for the following areas:

- Buckland Newton (February 2013);
- Cerne Valley (February 2013);
- Lodgers (February 2013); and
- Piddle Valley (March 2013)

These local communities are now developing their Neighbourhood Plans through community engagement and an understanding of the issues, with the assistance of the Council.

Following the monitoring year 2012/13, neighbourhood plan areas were also agreed at Longburton (Cam Vale), Portland and Puddletown.

Community Infrastructure Levy

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is the mechanism for collecting financial contributions from developers towards the provision of infrastructure which is needed as a result of development.

West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland Councils have developed their CIL charging schedules in parallel, producing two separate charging schedules, one for each authority area, which take into account the infrastructure needs and development viability in each area.

During this monitoring period, consultation on the Preliminary Draft CIL Charging Schedule took place for a 6 week period from 15 June to 27 July 2012. Consultation on the Draft CIL charging schedule then took place for a 4 week period between the 22 November and 20 December 2012. The CIL charging schedules were submitted alongside the Local Plan in June 2013 (Figure 2.3).

Figure 2.3: Progress in delivering the Community Infrastructure Levy against the timetable published in the LDS (February 2013).

Stage in development	Target date for delivery	Target achieved
Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule Consultation	--	June-July 2012
Draft Charging Schedule Consultation	(October / November 2012)	November / December 2012
Submission (alongside the joint Local Plan)	June 2013	✓

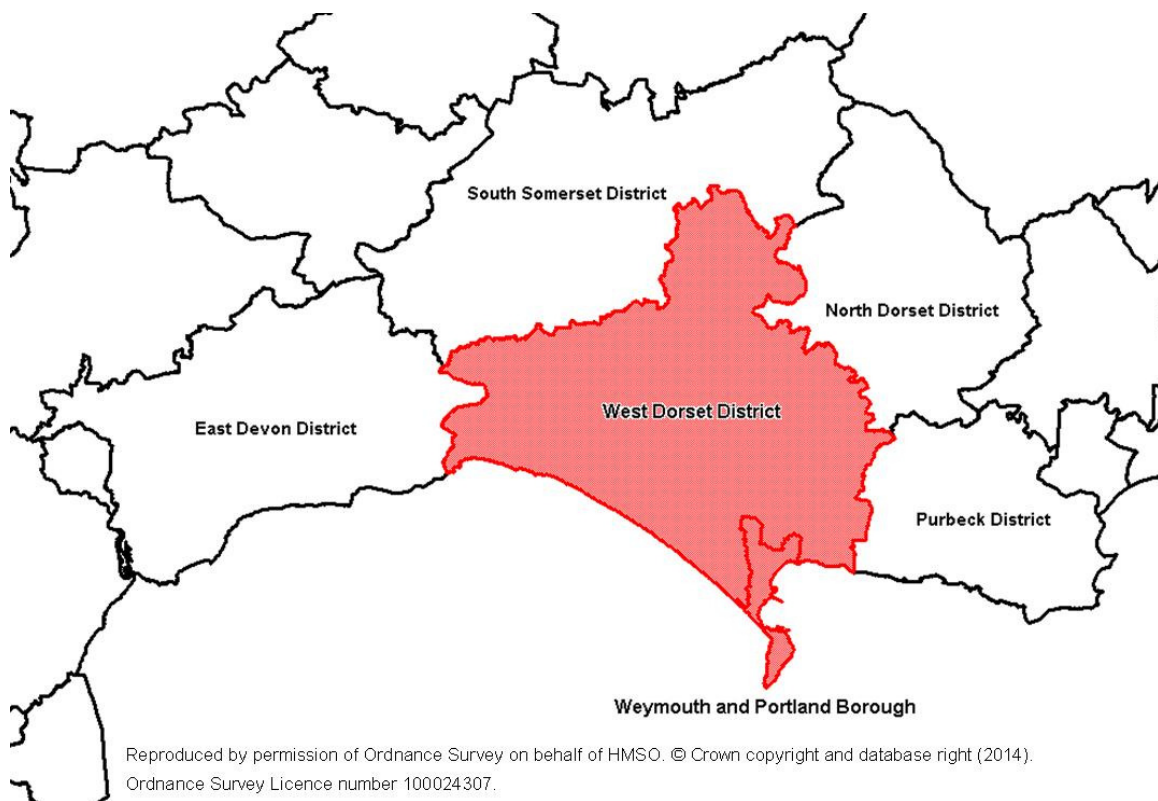
3. Duty to Cooperate

The legal duty to cooperate, introduced by Section 110 of the Localism Act (2011), requires local planning authorities to engage '*constructively, actively and on an ongoing basis*' with one another in the preparation of plans, and have regard to each other's other relevant activities.

The borough of Weymouth & Portland shares its boundary with the district of West Dorset (Figure 3.1), and this co-operation has been addressed by the preparation of the joint Local Plan.

The district of West Dorset shares boundaries with Weymouth and Portland and the East Devon, Purbeck; and South Somerset local authority areas.

Figure 3.1: A map showing the areas of jurisdiction for the district of West Dorset, the borough of Weymouth & Portland, and the surrounding local authorities.



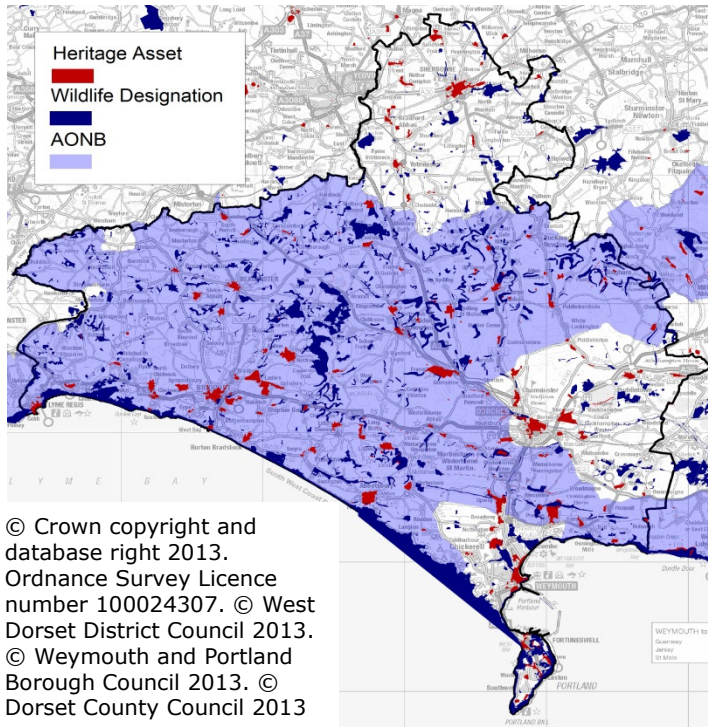
The Councils prepared a Duty to Cooperate Statement¹ in June 2013, which explains in detail how the duty to cooperate has been satisfied during the preparation of the Local Plan.

¹ <http://www.dorsetforyou.com/media.jsp?mediaid=185571&filetype=pdf>

4. Environment and Climate Change

Background

West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland is home to a diverse range of wildlife habitats and species, with approximately 10,900ha (8.5%) of the area designated at a local (5.6%), national (3.9%), and/or international level (2.8%).



The Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty designation recognises landscapes of particularly high quality and covers approximately 69% of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland. In addition, the vast majority of the coastline in this area is part of the Dorset and East Devon Coast World Heritage Site due to its outstanding geological and geomorphological value, with only a small section of coastline in Weymouth omitted.

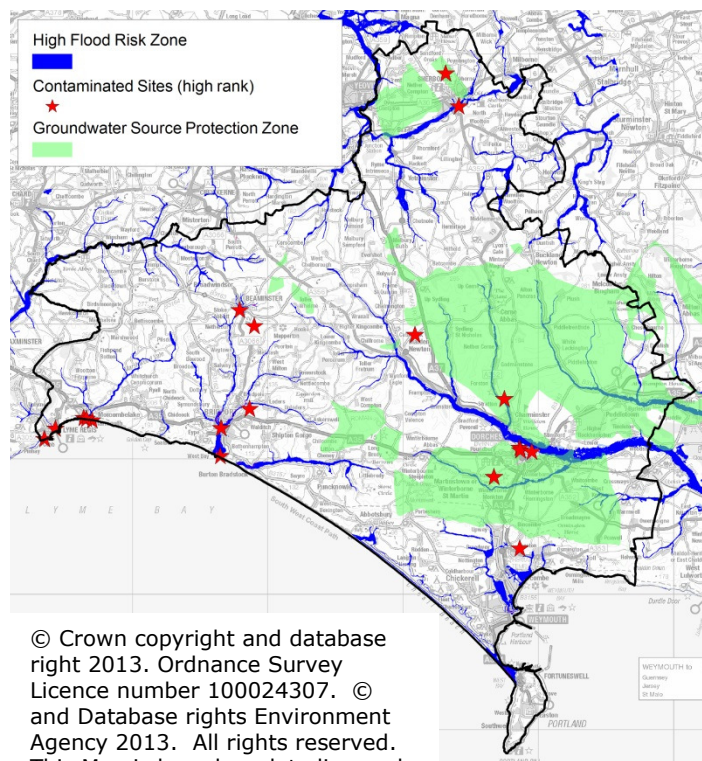
West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland has a rich historic heritage, with approximately 8,000 listed buildings, 90 Conservation Areas and numerous archaeological sites

present, and nationally important heritage assets designated as Scheduled Monuments.

Parts of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland have been identified as being at risk from fluvial or tidal flooding.

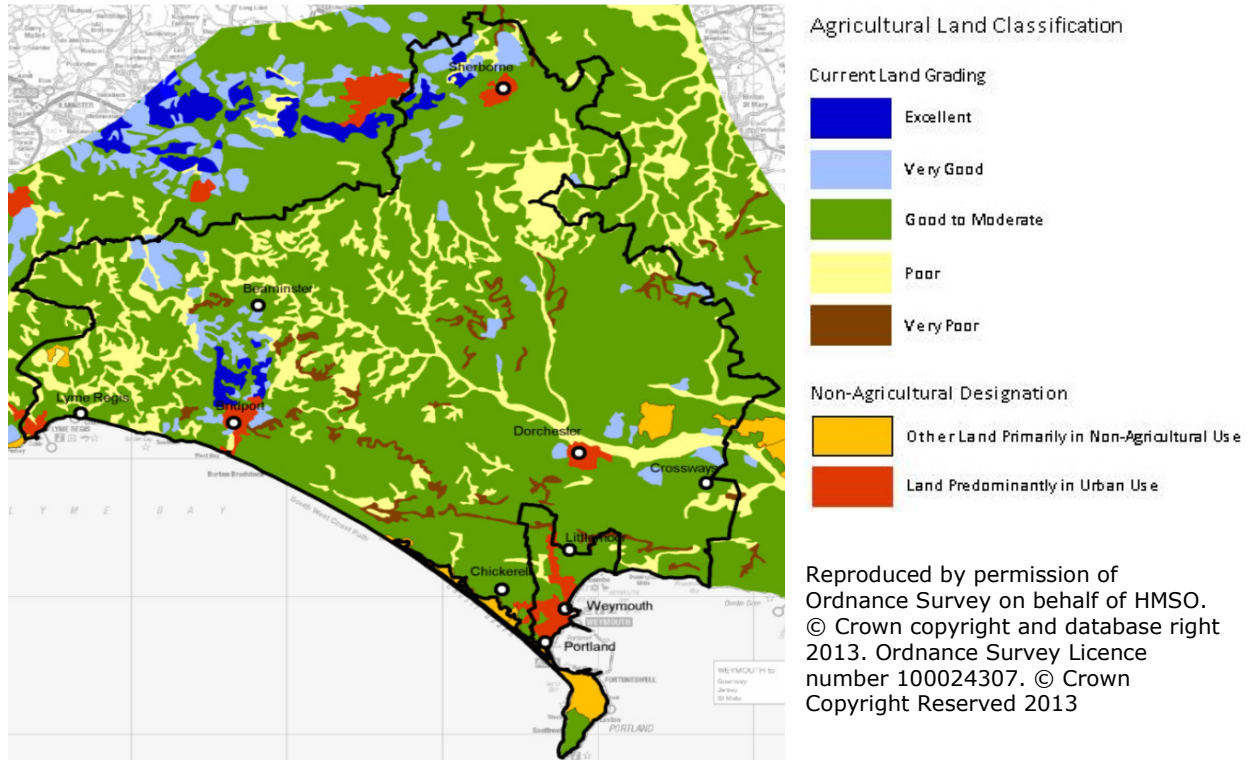
The groundwater resources which supply drinking water and are vulnerable to pollution are classified as Groundwater Source Protection Areas. Zone 1 denotes the most vulnerable areas, occupying 8% of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland, with 13% of Zone 2 designation and 7% of Zone 3.

West Dorset District Council's Contaminated Land Strategy identifies areas with a low, medium or high potential for contamination,

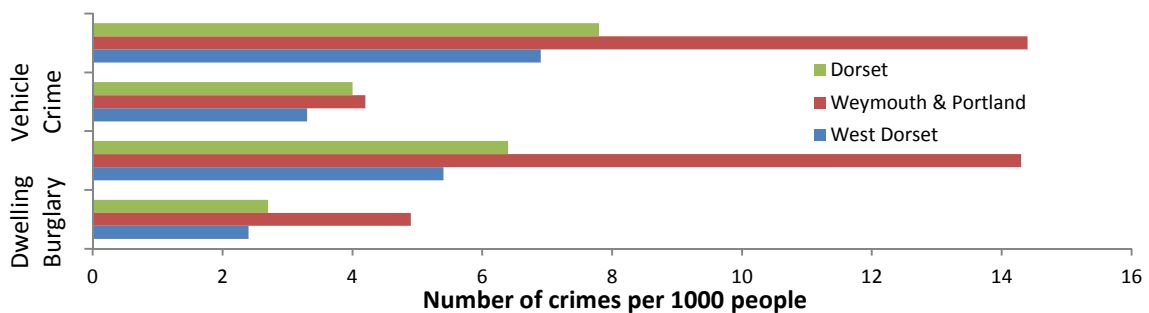


often on the basis of their historic use. A similar strategy is being developed for Weymouth and Portland.

The Agricultural Land Classification system classifies land into five grades, with the best and most versatile land is defined as Grades 1, 2 and 3a. Grade 1 and 2 designations represent 21.25% of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland, with the highest grade land situated to the north of Bridport and to the west of Sherborne.








The Local Plan aims to encourage safe building design and layout in order to create a sense of safety and security, and reduce crime. West Dorset has a below average crime rate compared to Dorset as a whole. The incidence of crime in Weymouth and Portland is above the Dorset average, particularly with respect to violent crime and criminal damage. However, the incidence of crime in Weymouth & Portland is decreasing at a faster rate than Dorset for these categories, with the incidence of violent crime down by 30% and criminal damage by 19% from 2011/12



Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:

 Target achieved	 Target not achieved	 Baseline year is monitoring year	 Data not available	 No target set
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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
ENV 2 Wildlife and Habitats	Change in areas designated for their intrinsic nature conservation value.	Net increase	X	X
	Condition of sites designated for their nature conservation interest.	Net improvement	✓	✓
	Heathland bird populations.	No net decrease	22	-
	Productivity of heathland birds.	No information		
ENV 4 Heritage Assets	Number of heritage assets at risk.	No net increase	✓	✓
ENV 5 Flood Risk	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency or Dorset County Council on either flood defence grounds or water quality.	No planning permissions granted contrary to advice.	✓	✓
	The extent of the plan area that lies within flood zone 3.	No net increase	3.37%	10.06%
ENV 7 Coastal Erosion and Land Instability	Number of planning applications granted to support roll back in areas of coastal erosion and land instability.	No target set. No applications granted.	0	0
ENV 8 Agricultural Land and Farming Resilience	Amount of high quality agricultural land lost to development (Grade 1, 2, 3a).	No target set	-	-
ENV 9 Pollution and Contaminated Land	Annual change in chemical & biological quality of waterways throughout the plan area.	No information	-	-
ENV 13 Achieving high Levels of Environmental Performance	Percentage of new homes constructed achieving Code for Sustainable Homes level 4 or above.	No target set	-	-
	Percentage of new homes constructed achieving Code for Sustainable Homes level 5 or 6.	No target set	-	-
	Percentage of new non domestic buildings achieving BREEAM very good or above.	No target set	-	-

The first target for the wildlife and habitats policy (ENV 2) in the Local Plan, which is to increase the area of wildlife designations within the plan area, has not been met as the area of wildlife designations remained constant between 2010/11 and 2011/12. However, the monitoring showed a net improvement in the condition of these wildlife designations during 2012/13. The 2012/13 monitoring year marks the first survey of the population of heathland birds, and will

therefore provide the baseline data from which the future monitoring of heathland bird populations will occur. The survey work required to monitor the productivity of heathland birds is currently not being undertaken by external bodies and therefore this indicator cannot be reported upon at this time. This indicator will be reviewed in future.

The monitoring suggests that the policies on heritage assets (ENV 4) and flood risk (ENV 5) have been effective in both West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland during 2012/13. The target for there to be no net increase of the plan area which lies within flood zone 3 (ENV 5) could not be evaluated as 2012/13 represents the baseline year from which any change in the area of flood zone 3 will be undertaken. Also, Dorset County Council have indicated that they are unable to provide advice on the flood defence or water quality aspect of planning applications, and therefore it is suggested that the indicator for policy ENV5 should be amended to the number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency only.

The information required to monitor the indicators for the policies on Agricultural Land and Farming Resilience (ENV 8) and Achieving High Levels of Environmental Performance (ENV 13) is not currently readily available, but could be collected in future by making changes to the way the council processes its planning applications to ensure we can evaluate the performance against these targets.

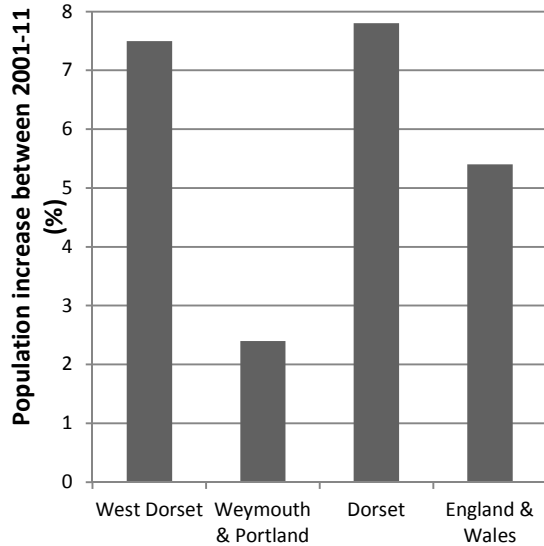
It is suggested that the indicator for the policy on Contaminated Land and Pollution (ENV 9) for the annual change in the chemical and biological quality of waterways is reviewed as the data required to monitor this indicator, which was formerly collected by the Environment Agency, is no longer being collected and is unlikely to be collected in the immediate future.

5. Achieving a Sustainable Pattern of Development

Background

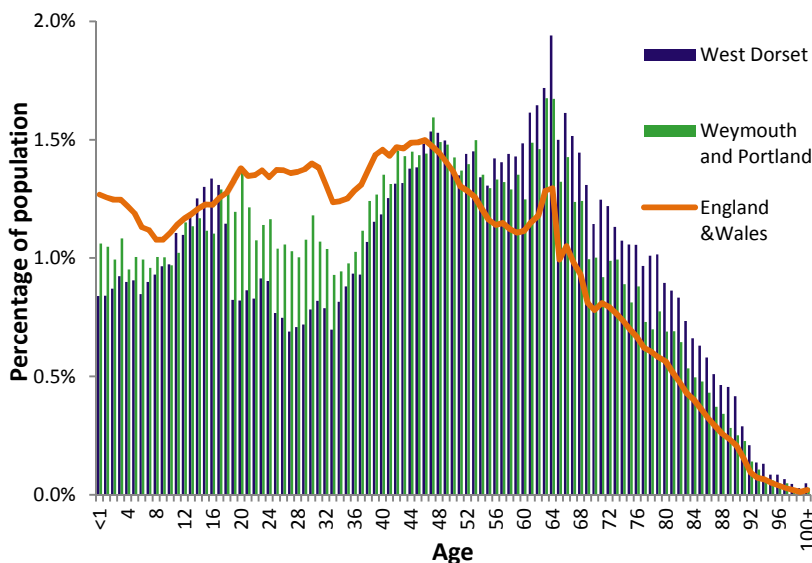
The Local Plan identifies sites in West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland which are suitable for development for housing and employment purposes. This additional housing and employment land is required to meet the area's needs.

West Dorset has experienced a population increase of 7.5% between 2001 and 2011, which is greater than in England and Wales (5.4%) and slightly less than Dorset (7.8%). Weymouth and Portland experienced a slower population growth rate of just 2.4% over this period, significantly below the Dorset and England & Wales average. In 2011, West Dorset had a population of 99,264, and Weymouth & Portland of 65,167, which contributed to a Dorset population of 412,095 and a population of over 56 million in England and Wales.



In 2012/13, there were 49,319 dwellings West Dorset and 30,997 dwellings in Weymouth & Portland. There has been a 9.6% increase in the number of households in West Dorset between 2001 and 2011, which is greater than in Dorset at (7.3%) and England & Wales at (7.6%). There has been a 4.8% increase in households in Weymouth & Portland during this period, which is below the Dorset and national averages.

The demand for additional housing is primarily due to domestic migration (people moving to this area from other parts of the country) creating an overall increase in the local population. It is projected that the net migration of people into West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland, will continue, with an estimated net increase of 10,700 people between 2011 and 2021.



West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland has a greater proportion of residents within the older populations brackets, aged 47 or more, than the England and Wales average. There is a smaller proportion of residents in the younger demographic accordingly, with the exception of residents aged between 14 and 17 in West Dorset which is slightly greater than the national average. Future projections also indicate

that there will be a significant increase in the proportion of residents in the over 65 demographic

and a decrease in the proportion of residents in the under 65 bracket, suggesting an aging population.






The delivery of employment land has averaged 3ha per year for West Dorset and 0.8ha per year for Weymouth and Portland over the last two decades. The economic demand for employment land is projected to change in future as the workforce changes due to the ageing population and net in-migration of people in the area.

The Local Plan intends to distribute development towards the larger and more sustainable settlements, and generally within the defined development boundaries (DDB) with the exception of some development types. There are 37 settlements with DDB in the local plan.



Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:

	Target achieved		Target not achieved		Baseline year is monitoring year		Data not available		No target set
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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
SUS 1 The Level of Economic and Housing Growth	Amount of land developed for employment by type and proportion on allocated sites	3 hectares per annum for the plan area	✓	
	Employment land supply (permissions, allocations and under construction)	At least 39.2ha (residual) in West Dorset and 15.0ha (residual) in Weymouth & Portland	✓	✓
	The annual housing completions within the plan area and by local planning authority area	617 dwellings per annum in the plan area. In West Dorset at least 410 dwellings per annum and in Weymouth & Portland at least 146 dwellings per annum between 2011-2021	X	✓
	Five year supply of housing land within the plan area and by local planning authority area.	five year supply +5% (or +20% if there has been persistent under-delivery) as per national planning policy	X	X
SUS 4 Replacement of Buildings Outside Defined Development Boundaries	The number and location of completions for the re-use and replacement of buildings outside defined development boundaries by use	No target set. Breakdown of completions provided in Appendix B.	14	3
SUS 5 Neighbourhood Development Plans	The number of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders adopted	No target set. No plans adopted.	0	0
	Annual increase in housing land supply as a direct result of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders	No target set. No plans adopted.	0	0

The target for the amount of land developed for employment use was met in both West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland in 2012/13. However, the overall target for the amount of housing growth was not reached. Although Weymouth & Portland provided more than its proportionate requirement of housing across the entire plan, this did not compensate for the shortfall in West

Dorset's supply. The monitoring also shows that West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough Council did not have a five year supply of housing land during 2012/13. It is expected that the number of dwellings built will increase in future, as more sites can come forward when there is a housing supply shortfall, and the economy continues to recover from the downturn.

The indicators for policies SUS4 and SUS5 do not have a target to evaluate their performance. However, the monitoring showed that 14 buildings were re-used or replaced outside the defined development boundaries in West Dorset and 3 buildings in Weymouth and Portland. Also, there were no Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders or Community Right to Build Orders adopted within the plan area. More detailed data regarding these indicators is presented in Appendix B.

6. Economy

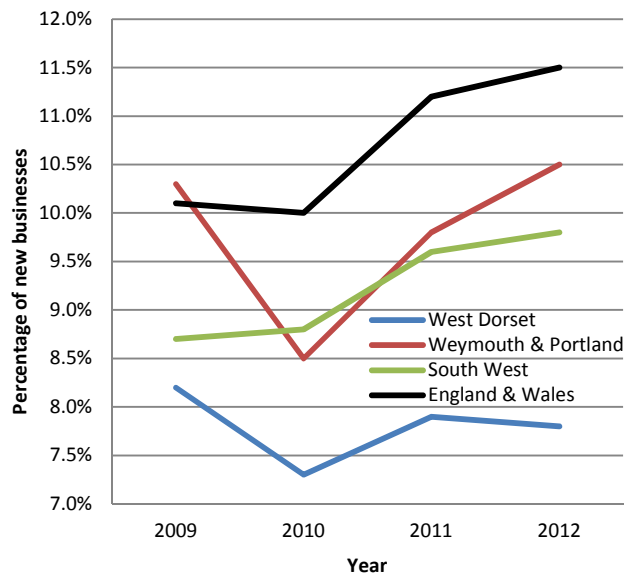
Background

The income of businesses in West Dorset has been rising in recent years, with the gross value added (GVA), which is a measure of the total business income in an area, increasing to above the South West average since 2009 but remaining below the national average. The GVA in Weymouth and Portland has also increased over recent years, but remains significantly below the South West and national averages.

The majority of businesses employ between 0-4 people (69% in West Dorset, 66% in Weymouth & Portland, and 68% in the South West). This is very similar in West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland and the South West

The proportion of new businesses opening in West Dorset has decreased from 8.2% to 7.8% over the period 2009 to 2012. This is different from the trend in the South West and nationally, where the proportion of new businesses has increased. The proportion of new businesses in West Dorset remains below the South West and national averages of 9.8% and 11.5% respectively.

Despite the number of new businesses in Weymouth & Portland decreasing dramatically between 2009 and 2010, this figure has increased steadily since, rising from 8.5% in 2010 to 10.5% in 2012. The number of new businesses opening in Weymouth & Portland in 2012 was 10.5% which is above the South West average but below the national average.

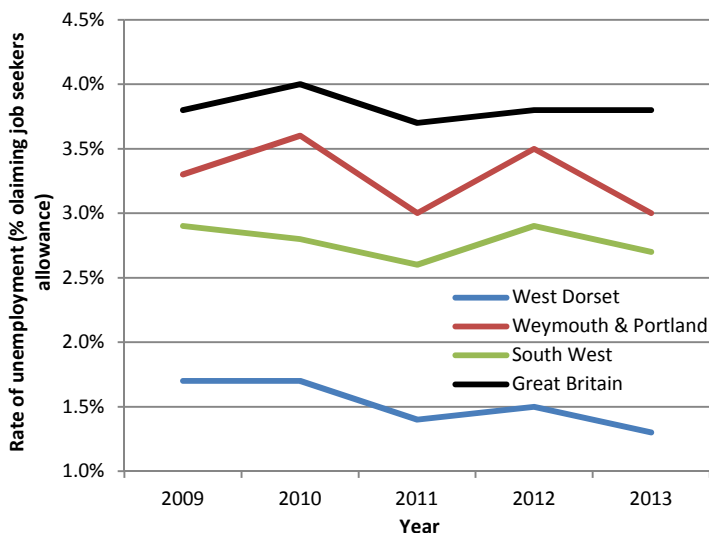


In comparison with the national average, West Dorset has a higher

proportion of businesses within the accommodation and food services industry, and a smaller proportion of businesses within the agriculture, fisheries and food, and retail industries. A

greater proportion of people are employed in the public administration and defence, and social security sectors, with fewer people employed in the finance and insurance sector when compared with the national average. This perhaps reflects the presence of local authority and health organisations within West Dorset.

Weymouth & Portland has a higher proportion of businesses within the agriculture, fisheries and food sector in








comparison with the national average. A greater proportion of people are employed in the accommodation and food services industries, with fewer people employed in the finance and insurance sector than the national average. This possibly reflects the dominance of the fishing and tourism industries in Weymouth & Portland.

Unemployment in West Dorset has decreased overall during the past 5 years from 1.7% in 2009 to 1.3% in 2013, and remains below the South West average of 2.7% and the national average of 3.8%.

Unemployment in Weymouth and Portland has decreased overall during the past 5 years from 3.3% in 2009 to 3.0% in 2013, and although it is below the national average it remains above the South West average.

Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:

	Target achieved		Target not achieved		Baseline year is monitoring year		Data not available		No target set
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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
ECON 2 Protection of Key Employment Sites	Area of land granted permission for non employment uses on Key Employment Sites	No target set	0ha	0ha
ECON 3 Protection of Other Employment Sites	Loss of employment land/premises to non employment uses	No target set	0ha	0ha
ECON 4 Retail and Town Centre Development	Map of primary and secondary frontage in use by retail, town centre and other uses	No more than 25% non retail uses in the primary frontages, and no more than 25% in secondary frontages	X	X
	Amount of completed retail development each year and amount located in town centres	No target set	0m ²	0m ²
ECON 7 Caravan and Camping Sites	Planning applications approved in the Heritage Coast for the development of new/extensions to existing caravan and campsites	No target set	3	0

The monitoring of the Local Plan's policy on retail and town centre development (ECON 4) showed that the target for the amount of non-retail or non town centre uses in town centre locations within West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland was not met. The target was for no more than 25% of primary frontages (defined as areas which are likely to include a high proportion of retail uses which may include food, drinks, clothing and household goods) or secondary frontages (defined as areas which provide greater opportunities for a diversity of uses such as restaurants, cinemas and businesses) occupied by non-retail uses. The monitoring included the settlements of Dorchester, Weymouth, Bridport, Sherborne and Lyme Regis. In terms of primary frontages, only Dorchester met the target of less than 25% of frontage from non-retail uses. For the secondary frontages, Sherborne, Bridport and Dorchester met the target

of less than 25% from non-retail uses. It is expected that the policy on retail and town centre development will encourage an increase in the proportion of retail use in primary and secondary frontages over time, and therefore there are no suggested amendments to this policy at this time.

The remaining indicator for ECON4 did not have a target, but showed that there had been no retail development completed within the town centre in 2012/13.

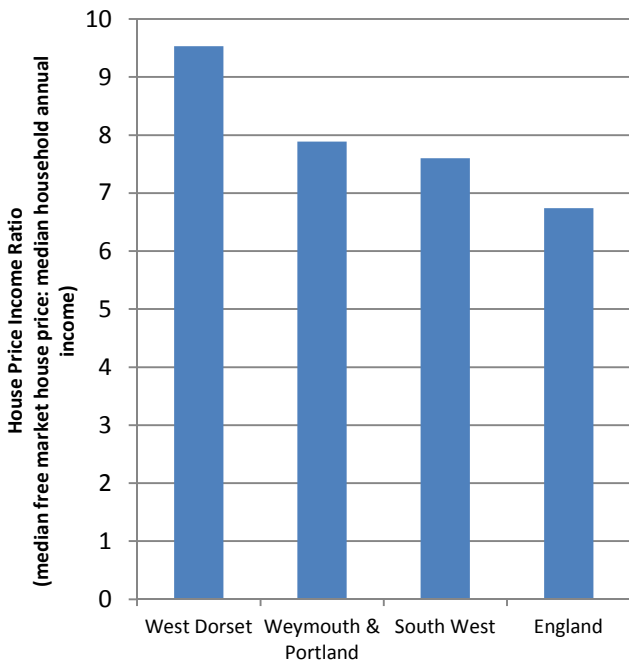
The indicators for policies ECON2 and ECON3 also did not have a target, but showed that no employment land was lost to non-employment use within the plan area.

The indicator for ECON7 did not have a target but showed that 3 planning applications had been approved in the Heritage Coast for new caravan and campsites, or extensions to existing caravan and campsites, in West Dorset.

7. Housing

Background

The Local Plan aims to supply more homes in West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland in order to deliver affordable housing and to meet the increasing demand for housing which originates from the changing demographic and social needs in the area.



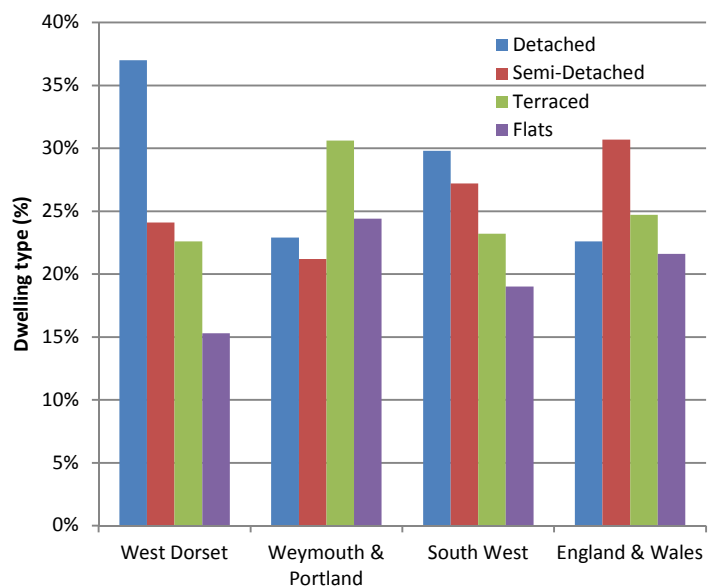
The average house price in West Dorset (£248,250) is significantly higher than in the South West (£220,532) and nationally (£190,000). Whilst house prices are lower in Weymouth & Portland (£208,798) than the South West, average pay is also lower. The ratio of house prices to income is higher in both West Dorset (9.53) and Weymouth & Portland (7.89) than the South West (7.60) and nationally (6.74), suggesting a disparity in house prices and incomes across both council areas, and this is particularly notable in West Dorset.

The Local Plan aims to provide a range of house sizes and types to meet local needs, including affordable housing at a low enough cost for local people to afford.

The average household size in West Dorset is 2.2 people per household, below the Dorset average of 2.3 and national average of 2.4. The average household size in Weymouth and Portland is 2.3 people per household, in line with the Dorset average.

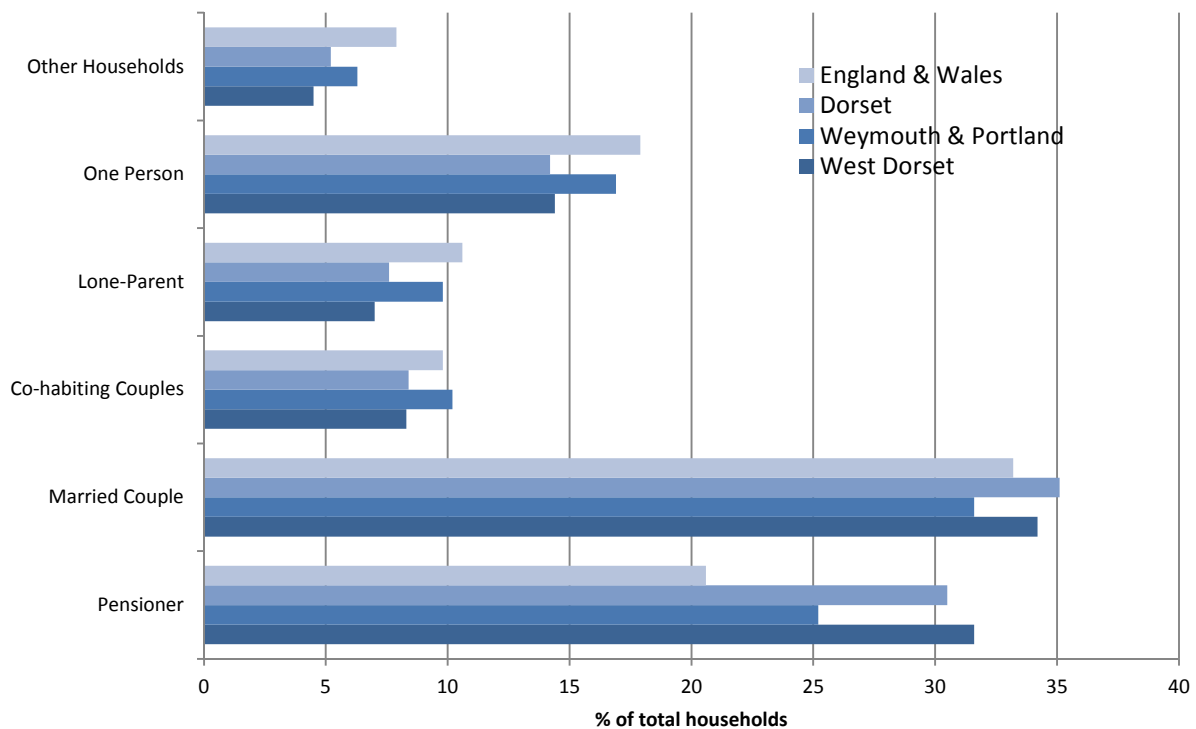
West Dorset has a higher proportion of detached housing and a smaller proportion of flats than the South West and national averages. Weymouth and Portland has a higher proportion of terraced housing and flats than the South West and the national average.

The household composition in West Dorset is similar to that of Dorset as a whole, but in comparison with the national average the district has a smaller proportion of lone parents and soul occupancy households and a greater proportion of pensioners, reflecting the greater proportion of older residents in Dorset. It is also interesting to note that in



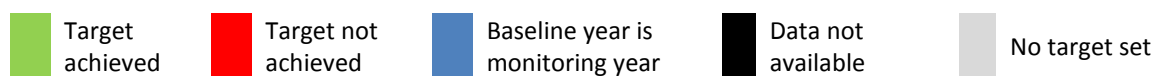
West Dorset, 11.6% of people work at or from home, significantly greater than the national average of 6.6%.

The household composition in Weymouth and Portland shows a lower proportion of married couples and a higher percentage of cohabiting couples than both the Dorset and national averages. The proportion of households occupied by lone parent and by one person in Weymouth & Portland is higher than the Dorset average but lower than experienced nationally. There is a lower proportion of pensioners occupying households than in Dorset, but still more than the national average.



Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:



Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
HOUS 1 Affordable Housing	The number of affordable housing units by size and tenure secured on-site through open market housing development, and the level of financial contribution secured towards delivery of affordable housing.	Minimum of 25% secured in Portland and 35% secured in Weymouth and West Dorset	X	X
	The number of affordable housing units delivered through financial contributions where affordable housing cannot be provided on site.	To provide the equivalent number of homes where contributions have been made in lieu.	*	X

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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
HOUS 2 Affordable Housing Exception Sites	The number of affordable housing units completed on exception sites.	No target set.	5	0
HOUS 3 Open Market Housing Mix	The number of homes permitted by size (bedrooms) and type.	No target set. Breakdown provided in Appendix B.	-	-

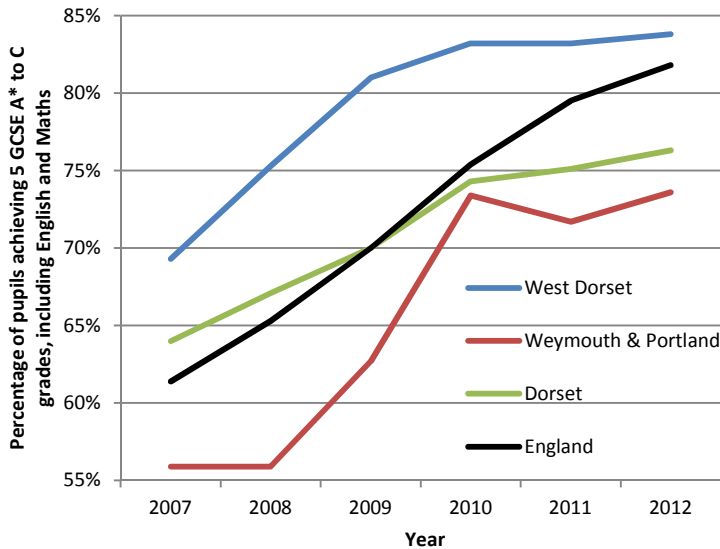
* No financial contributions received

During 2012/13, there were 88 affordable housing units secured through open market development in West Dorset and 37 in Weymouth & Portland. There were also 5 affordable housing units provided on exception sites in West Dorset, and £80,000 of financial contributions secured in Weymouth & Portland to provide affordable housing contributions at a location off site. The monitoring of policy HOUS 1 indicated that the target for the amount of affordable housing secured through open market housing was not met in West Dorset or Weymouth & Portland in 2012/13, since the amount of affordable housing units secured was lower than the 25% requirement for Portland and the 35% requirement for Weymouth and West Dorset. There are likely to be two reasons for this – firstly that delivery would in part be based on decisions taken under the previous local plan targets and thresholds, and secondly because of the current economic market (where developers have raised viability issues which need to be taken into account). No revisions to policy HOUS 1 are considered necessary at the present time.

8. Community Needs and Infrastructure

Background

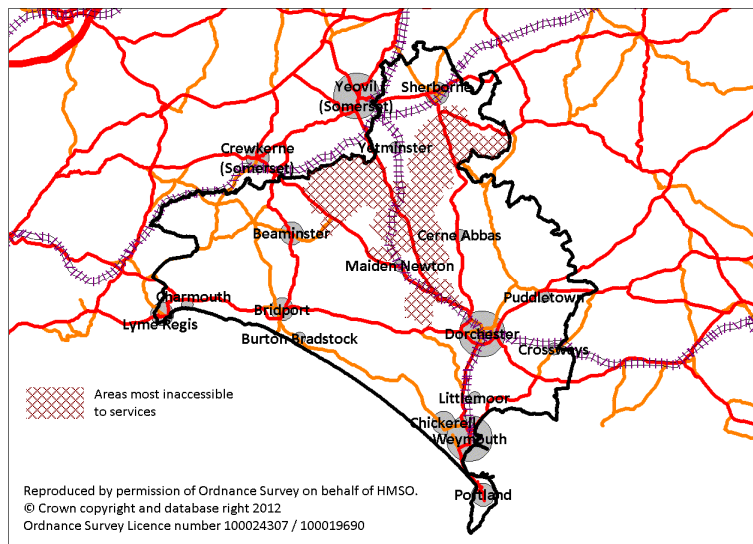
The Local Plan aims to provide the facilities and infrastructure required by communities in West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland. Safe and easy access to good services is critical to healthcare, education and general well-being. The provision of utilities such as water and energy are also important to the modern way of living – both in terms of health and building a strong economy.



In the monitoring year, 83.8% of pupils in West Dorset achieved 5 or more GCSE A* to C grades (including maths and English) in 2012, greater than the Dorset (76.3%) and nationwide averages (81.8%). The best achieving school in West Dorset was Sherborne School, where 99% of pupils attained 5 or more GCSE A* to C grades. In comparison, 73.6% of pupils in Weymouth & Portland achieved 5 or more GCSE A* to C grades in 2012, below the Dorset and England averages. The best achieving school in Weymouth & Portland was Budmouth

College, where 56% of pupils attained 5 or more GCSE A* to C grades.

The transport infrastructure varies considerably across West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland, with the A35 trunk road and railway network providing better transport links in some areas, with other locations being more remote and less accessible.








The mode of transport used to commute to work gives an indication of the transport characteristics of the area. In West Dorset, only 2.1% of people commuted to work using public transport and in Weymouth & Portland this was 5.3%, both far less than the national average of 10.5%. More people travel by bike or by foot in West Dorset (10.7%) and Weymouth & Portland (also 10.7%) than the national average (8.1%). This perhaps reflects the lack of public transport services in West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland.





In 2012, there were 404 road traffic casualties (76 killed or seriously injured) in West Dorset and 161 road traffic casualties (27 killed or seriously injured) in Weymouth and Portland.

The majority of renewable energy is derived from solar photovoltaics in West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland in 2012/13, with more than 50% of the total amount of energy generated from this technology. There is a greater proportion of energy generated from anaerobic digestion and landfill gas in West Dorset than Weymouth & Portland, and a greater proportion generated from biomass, hydropower and onshore wind in Weymouth & Portland than West Dorset.

Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:

 Target achieved	 Target not achieved	 Baseline year is monitoring year	 Data not available	 No target set
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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
COM 2 New or Improved Local Community Buildings & Structures	The number of new community facilities available within the plan area	No target set	3	0
COM 3 The Retention of Local Community Buildings and Structures	Number of approved applications for change of use from shops, garages, public houses and community buildings to other non-community uses.	No net loss		
COM 5 The Retention of Open Space and Recreational Facilities	Number of approved applications for the development or change of use of open space, including playing fields, recreational areas and allotments	No target set	0	0
COM 7 Creating a Safe and Efficient Transport Network	Percentage of new homes within 30min public transport time of a GP, hospital, school, employment and a major health centre.	>60%	-	-
	Number and severity of road traffic accidents	No target set – fatalities / serious injuries given	73	19
COM 11 Renewable Energy Development	Annual energy generation by installed capacity and type	Net increase in installed capacity by type		

During 2012-13, there was no net loss of community facilities in West Dorset, as there were 3 applications approved for new community facilities and 3 applications approved for the change of use of community facilities to another use. In Weymouth & Portland, there was the loss of 1 community facility, as there were no approved applications for new community facilities and 1 application approved for the change of use of a community facility to another use.

The monitoring showed that the policy on the Retention of Local Community Buildings and Structures (COM 3) in the Local Plan has been successful in preventing the loss of community buildings and structures in West Dorset but not in Weymouth and Portland. There were no new or improved community facilities in Weymouth and Portland in 2012/13 and one approved application for the change of use from a community building or structure to another non-

community use (a change of use from a Public House to an office), resulting in a net loss of one community facility.

The indicator for policy COM 7 to monitor the percentage of new homes within 30 minutes travel time by public transport time to a GP, hospital, school, employment and a major health centre cannot be reported on at this time. However, it is hoped that this indicator can be monitored in future as Dorset County Council intend to install new computer software which would allow the analysis of this data.

The monitoring for the policy on renewable energy (COM 11) showed a net increase in the installed capacity of renewable energy development between 2011/12 to 2012/13 in both West Dorset, where the installed capacity increased from 2.46MW to 18.96MW (heat and energy), and Weymouth and Portland, where the installed capacity increased from 0.65MW to 3.23MW.

Appendix A: Data on the Characteristics of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland

Population

Population Size		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Population		99,264 usual residents	65,167 usual residents	412,095 usual residents
Increase since 2011.		6,914 (7.5% increase)	1,502 (2.4% increase)	21,115 (7.8% increase)	4,033,996 (5.4% increase)
Population Structure	Age band	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	0-14	14,437 (14.5%)	10,166 (15.6%)	62,199 (15.1%)	9,891,138 (17.6%)
	15-64	58,529 (59.0%)	41,446 (63.6%)	245,851 (59.7%)	36,961,701 (65.9%)
	65 and over	24,768 (25.0%)	12,968 (19.9%)	98,517 (23.9%)	8,794,056 (15.7%)
	90 and over	1,530 (1.5%)	587 (0.9%)	5,628 (1.3%)	429,017 (0.8%)
Population Density	person per hectare, 2011	0.92	15.61	1.62	3.71
Ethnicity		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	% White British	95.7	94.9	95.5	80.5
	% Black & Minority ethnic	4.3	5.1	4.5	19.5

Source: 2011 Census ONS

Households

Total Number of Households (dwellings with at least one usual resident)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Households in 2001	40,500	27,200	167,998	21,660,475
	Households in 2011	44,400	28,500	180,213	23,336,044
	% increase	9.6%	4.8%	7.3%	7.6%
Average Household Size (persons)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Persons per household	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.4
Household Composition (% of households)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Pensioner	31.6	25.2	30.5	20.6
	Married Couple	34.2	31.6	35.1	33.2
	Co-habiting Couples	8.3	10.2	8.4	9.8
	Lone-Parent	7.0	9.8	7.6	10.6
	One Person	14.4	16.9	14.2	17.9
	Other Households	4.5	6.3	5.2	7.9

Source: 2011 Census ONS

Dwellings

No. of Dwellings		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	In 2011		49,319	30,997	273,297
Dwelling Type		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England & Wales
	Detached	37.0%	22.9%	29.8%	22.6%
	Semi-Detached	24.1%	21.2%	27.2%	30.7%
	Terraced	22.6%	30.6%	23.2%	24.7%
	Flats	15.3%	24.4%	19.0%	21.6%
Tenure		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England & Wales
	Owned Outright	44.1%	36.5%	35.4%	30.8%
	With Mortgage or loan	25.4%	30.3%	32.0%	32.7%
	Private Rented	13.7%	17.8%	17.1%	16.7%
	Rented from Local Council/other	13.9%	13.6%	13.3%	17.6%
	Shared ownership	0.8%	0.6%	0.8%	0.8%
	Living rent free	2.1%	1.2%	1.4%	1.4%
Amenities		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England & Wales
	With Central Heating	96.3%	96.1%	96.4%	97.3%
	Without Central Heating	3.7%	3.9%	3.6%	2.7%
Second Homes & Vacant Homes		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England
	% Dwellings as second homes	6.6%	3.0%	No data	No data
	% Vacant properties	2.9%	2.9%	1.0%	1.2%

Sources: 2011 Census ONS and Council Tax Register 2011.

Crime

Crime type (in 2012/13) (per 1,000 population)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset
	Dwelling Burglary (per 1,000 households)		2.4 (↓4%)	4.9 (↓32%)
Violent Crime		5.4 (↓18%)	14.3 (↓30%)	6.4 (↓17%)
Vehicle Crime		3.3 (↓13%)	4.2 (↓7%)	4.0 (↓11%)
Criminal Damage (inc. Arson)		6.9 (↓24%)	14.4 (↓19%)	7.8 (↓16%)

Sources: Dorset Police (with rate calculations, processing and formatting by Drug Action and Community Safety Team, DCC)

Social

Indices of Multiple Deprivation (Multiple deprivation is a measure of deprivation relating to health and disability, education, skills and training, barriers to housing and services, the living environment and crime. The data is based on Super Output Areas (SOAs), of which there are 32,482 nationally, and 57 within West Dorset and 39 within Weymouth & Portland).	West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland	
		The Skilling in Bridport SOA remains ranked as the most deprived in West Dorset, the 12 th most deprived SOA in Dorset, and the 6,220th most deprived SOA nationally. The other seriously deprived area is Court Orchard in Bridport .		The Melcombe Regis Town Centre SOA in the borough of Weymouth & Portland remains ranked as the most deprived in Dorset together being ranked 1,721st most deprived SOA nationally. Other seriously deprived areas in Weymouth & Portland include Littlemoor West , Westham North and Fortuneswell North . 9 of the top 10 deprived wards in Dorset are to be found in Weymouth and Portland.
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England
Average gross Weekly Pay	£506	£449	£476	£508
Average House Prices	£248,250	£208,798	£220,532	£190,000
House Price Income Ratio (ratio of the median free market house price and median household annual income)	9.53	7.89	7.60	6.74
Accessibility (defined as Geographical Access to Services)	West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland	
	2 of West Dorset SOAs are within the 20% least accessible nationally. 10 of West Dorset's SOAs within the top 20% locally.		10 of Weymouth and Portland's SOAs are within the top 20% least accessible nationally. 23 of Weymouth and Portland's SOAs within the top 20% locally.	

Sources: 2010 Index of Multiple Deprivation

Health

Life expectancy (years)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England & Wales
	Males	80.5	78.6	80.1	78.1
	Females	84.9	82.9	84.3	82.3
Long Term Health problem or disability		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	In 2011	27.8%	29.9%	27.7%	25.9%

Sources: 2011 Census ONS

Economy

Headline Gross Value Added (£ per head of resident population). A measure of business income		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England
	2007	17,470	10,470	18,400	20,681
	2008	18,020	10,870	18,632	20,992
	2009	18,430	11,090	18,244	20,531
	2010	19,200	11,320	18,798	21,054
	2011	19,440	11,980	19,093	21,349

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Unemployment Rate (number or percentage of people claiming Job Seekers Allowance benefits in March of the year)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	Great Britain
	2009	942 (1.7%)	1,298 (3.3%)	2.9%	3.8%
	2010	911 (1.7%)	1,387 (3.6%)	2.8%	4.0%
	2011	810 (1.4%)	1,155 (3.0%)	2.6%	3.7%
	2012	837 (1.5%)	1,369 (3.5%)	2.9%	3.8%
	2013	717 (1.3%)	1,224 (3.0%)	2.7%	3.8%
Number of firms (according to the number of employees in 2013)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	
	Total firms	5,850	2,020	241,265	
	0-4	4,015 (69%)	1,335 (66%)	68.3%	
	5-9	935 (16%)	315 (16%)	15.1%	
	10-49	765 (13%)	205 (15%)	13.6%	
	50-249	120 (2%)	60 (3%)	2.6%	
	250+	15 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	0.4%	
Number of firms within each business sector in 2013	Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing	65 (3.2%)	1,005 (17.2%)	9.8%	
	Production	105 (5.2%)	350 (6.0%)	5.8%	
	Construction	255 (11.1%)	565 (9.7%)	10.9%	
	Motor Trade	40 (2.0%)	190 (3.2%)	3.3%	
	Wholesale	45 (2.2%)	235 (4.0%)	4.1%	
	Retail	105 (5.2%)	620 (10.6%)	10.6%	
	Transport & storage	65 (3.2%)	100 (1.7%)	2.9%	
	Accom'dtion and food	285 (14.1%)	405 (6.9%)	7.1%	
	Information and comms	75 (3.7%)	175 (3.0%)	5.7%	
	Finance & insurance	25 (1.2%)	85 (1.5%)	2.1%	
	Property	60 (3.0%)	205 (3.5%)	3.4%	
	Professional, scientific & technical	200 (9.9%)	705 (12.1%)	12.7%	
	Business admin and support	95 (4.7%)	315 (5.4%)	6.2%	
	Public admin and defence	25 (1.2%)	75 (1.3%)	1.1%	
	Education	50 (2.5%)	110 (1.9%)	2.4%	
	Health	155 (7.7%)	320 (5.5%)	5.6%	
	Arts, entertainmt, recreation	170 (8.4%)	390 (6.7%)	6.3%	
	TOTAL	2,020	5,850	241,505	

Sources: Dorset County Council based on data from the Land Economy Forecasting Model (Cambridge Econometrics 2013). NOMIS Official Labour Market Statistics, ONS inc claimant count data, UK Business: Activity, Size and Location 2013, Business register and employment survey 2012, and annual survey of hours and earnings 2012.

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Number of people in employment by sector in 2012 (please note that data on the mining and quarrying, and electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply industries is unavailable due to confidentiality)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	
	Employees	47,400	17,600	2,233,600	
	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,200 (2%)	100 (0%)	1%	
	Manufact'ng	5,000 (10%)	600 (4%)	10%	
	Water waste sewerage,	200 (<1%)	<1%	1%	
	Construction	2,600 (5%)	900 (5%)	5%	
	Wholesale / retail trade; motor repair	7,500 (16%)	3,500 (20%)	17%	
	Transport and storage	600 (1%)	600 (4%)	4%	
	Accom'dtion and food	4,200 (9%)	3,200 (18%)	9%	
	Information and comms	800 (2%)	200 (1%)	3%	
	Financial & insurance activities	500 (1%)	200 (1%)	4%	
	Real estate activities	700 (2%)	200 (1%)	2%	
	Professional, scientific & technical	2,100 (4%)	1,100 (6%)	6%	
	Admin and support services	2,200 (5%)	400 (2%)	6%	
	Public admin & defence; social secr'ty	5,400 (11%)	1,100 (7%)	5%	
	Education	4,500 (9%)	2,300 (13%)	10%	
	Human health and social work	8,200 (17%)	2,200 (13%)	14%	
	Arts, entertainmt & recreation	1,100 (2%)	600 (4%)	2%	
	Other services	800 (2%)	300 (2%)	2%	
	Number of new businesses (and in brackets, the percentage of new businesses compared with total businesses)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West
2009		390 (8.2%)	200 (10.3)	18,000 (8.7%)	236,000 (10.1%)
2010		345 (7.3%)	165 (8.5%)	18,000 (8.8%)	235,000 (10.0%)
2011		370 (7.9%)	185 (9.8%)	20,000 (9.6%)	261,000 (11.2%)
2012		365 (7.8%)	195 (10.5%)	20,235 (9.8%)	248,245 (11.5%)
Average Earnings 2012		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	
	Residence	£506.3	£449.1	£476.5	
	Workplace	£452.7	£437.5	£467.0	

Environment

Ecological designation	West Dorset			Weymouth & Portland		
	Area Hectares	Percentage area covered	Difference (ha) 2012 - 2013	Area Hectares	Percentage area covered	Difference (ha) 2012 - 2013
International	2,563	2.4%	0	625	14.5	0
National	3,574	3.3%	+71.76 (2%)	803	18.7	0
Regional	5,151	4.7%	+27.68 (0.5%)	1,191	27.7	-0.97 (0.1%)
All	9,147	8.4%	+99.44 (+1.1%)	1,754	40.8	-0.97 (-0.1%)

Sources: Dorset County Council and Natural England

Travel

Method of travelling for commute in 2011	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Work mainly at or from home	11.6%	6.2%	9.5%
Tram/train/bus/coach/taxi	2.1%	5.3%	2.7%	10.5%
Motorbike/scooter/moped	0.6%	1.0%	0.7%	0.5%
Driving a car or van	36.8%	35.4%	39.9%	35.1%
Passenger in a car or van	2.8%	3.5%	3.0%	3.2%
Bicycle/walk on foot	10.7%	10.7%	8.8%	8.1%
Other	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%
Not in employment	35.0%	37.4%	35.2%	35.5%
Car Ownership	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England
	Households with Cars	82.5%	75.3%	84.5%

Sources: 2011 Census ONS

Education

Qualifications (percentage of pupils in 2012 of key stage 4 achieving 5 or more GCSE grades A* to C inc Maths and English).	Year	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England
	2012	83.8%	73.6%	76.3%	81.8%
	2011	83.2%	71.7%	75.1%	79.5%
	2010	83.2%	73.4%	74.3%	75.4%
	2009	81.0%	62.7%	70.0%	70.0%
	2008	75.3%	55.9%	67.1%	65.3%
	2007	69.3%	55.9%	64.0%	61.4%

Sources: Department for Education. Education and skills in your area (Local Authority) 2012 exam results

Appendix B: Data on Monitoring Indicators

ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats									
Indicator = Change in areas designated for their intrinsic nature conservation value									
	TOTAL AREA (Ha)	International		National		Regional		All	
		Area (ha)	%	Area (Ha)	%	Area (Ha)	%	Area (Ha)	%
2011/12									
West Dorset	180,703	2,563	2.5	3,574	3.3	5,007	4.6	9,010	8.3
Weymouth & Portland	4,298	625	14.5	803	18.7	1,192	27.7	1,755	40.8
2012/13									
West Dorset	180,703	2,563	2.5	3,574	3.3	5,007	4.6	9,010	8.3
Weymouth & Portland	4,298	625	14.5	803	18.7	1,192	27.7	1,755	40.8

Source: Natural England and Dorset Environmental Records Centre

ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats						
Indicator = Condition of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) sites (2012/13)						
West Dorset SSSI 's assessment description figures by Area (ha)						
Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable
River Axe	-	-	25.1	-	-	44.42
Abbotsbury Blind Lane	-	-	-	-	-	0.22
Abbotsbury Castle	-	-	-	-	34.89	-
Aunt Mary's Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	8.20
Babylon Hill	-	-	-	-	-	1.08
Batcombe Down	-	-	16.07	-	-	2.42
Black Hill Down	-	-	19.12	-	-	40.45
Blackdown and Hardy Monum't	-	-	-	-	3.41	18.43
Bracket's Copp & Ryewater Fm	-	-	-	1.55	21.03	31.17
Bradford Abbas Railway cutting	-	-	-	-	-	1.38
Burton Bradstock	-	-	-	-	-	0.10
Chalbury Hill	-	-	10.37	-	-	1.61

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and Quarry						
Conegar Road cutting	-	-	-	-	-	0.15
Corton Cutting	-	-	-	-	-	0.24
Court Farm Sydling	-	-	-	-	-	83.17
Crookhill Brick Pit	-	-	-	-	-	4.71
Drakenorth	-	-	20.87	-	2.59	2.75
Eggardon Hill and Luccas Farm	-	-	5.06	-	8.38	130.93
Frogden Quarry	-	-	-	-	-	0.02
Frome St Quintin	-	-	-	-	23.45	9.19
Giant Hill	-	-	-	-	42.78	41.30
Goathill Quarry	-	-	-	-	-	0.27
Halfway House Quarry	-	-	0.87	-	-	-
Haydon and Askerswell Dwn	-	-	35.96	-	27.26	44.27
Holnest	-	-	-	-	-	54.93
Holway Hill Quarry	-	-	-	-	-	0.11
Horn Park Quarry	-	-	-	-	-	0.14
Lambert's Castle	-	-	-	0.44	68.08	40.27
Langford Meadow	-	-	-	-	7.78	-
Low's Hill Quarry	-	-	0.78	-	-	-
Lyscombe and Highdon	-	-	-	-	16.78	62.09
Mapperton and Poorton Vales	-	-	18.38	27.12	20.56	19.15
Melbury Park	-	-	-	24.11	66.46	169.15
Morcombelake	-	-	-	11.70	2.93	8.31
Peashill Quarry	-	-	-	-	-	0.43

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ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats						
Indicator = Condition of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) sites (2012/13)						
West Dorset SSSI 's assessment description figures by Area (ha)						
Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable
Pitcombe Down	-	-	-	-	2.12	10.99
Powerstock Common and Wytherston Fm	-	-	1.56	21.27	13.23	125.61
Poxwell	-	-	-	-	-	0.44
Rampisham Down	-	-	71.98	-	-	-
River Frome	-	-	4.16	23.07	7.75	6.85
Sandford Lane Quarry	-	-	-	-	-	0.75
South Dorset Coast	-	-	-	10.27	8.15	123.55
Sydling Valley Downs	-	-	-	-	-	73.98
Toller Porcurum	-	-	2.30	-	129.84	46.31
Trill Quarry	-	-	-	-	-	1.40
Valley of Stones	-	-	-	-	-	83.48
Warmwell Heath	-	-	1.13	5.05	49.26	-
West Dorset Coast	-	-	-	11.11	106.39	480.65
Whetley Meadows	-	-	-	-	1.07	6.99
Woolcombe	-	-	-	-	-	18.11
Wootton Fitzpaine	-	-	-	-	1.29	8.34
TOTAL	0	0	233.71	135.69	665.49	1808.10

Source: Natural England

ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats						
Indicator = condition of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) sites (2012/13)						
Weymouth and Portland SSSI 's assessment description figures by Area (ha)						
Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable
Lodmoor	-	-	-	-	38.75	36.14
Chesil and Fleet	-	-	32.69	28.33	105.77	842.9

ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats						
Indicator = condition of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) sites (2012/13)						
Weymouth and Portland SSSI 's assessment description figures by Area (ha)						
Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable
Isle of Portland	0.95	-	31.97	23.72	162.35	129.88
Lorton	-	-	-	-	15.25	6.08
Nicodemus Heights	-	-	0.88	-	-	7.03
Portland Harbour Shore	-	1.03	-	6.17	-	20.88
Radipole Lake	-	-	-	16.87	79.09	-
Upwey Quarries & Bincombe Dn	-	-	-	1.47	1.83	3.19
White Horse Hill	-	-	-	-	47.05	10.01
Total	0.95	1.03	65.54	76.56	450.09	1056.11

Source: Natural England

ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats	
Indicator = Heathland bird population (at Winfrith and Tadnoll in 2012/13)	
Species	Number of Birds
Dartford Warbler	10
Nightjar	12
Woodlark	0

Survey undertaken between March and August 2012 through the RSPB Dorset Heathland Project.

ENV 2 Wildlife and Habitats
Indicator = Productivity of heathland birds
This indicator cannot be monitored at present and will be kept under review.

ENV 4: Heritage Assets			
Indicator = Number of heritage assets at risk (2012/13)			
Number of heritage assets at risk 2012		Number of heritage assets at risk 2013	
West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
12	4	11	3

Source: English Heritage's 'Heritage at Risk Register' (South West)

ENV 5: Flood Risk	
Indicator = Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency or Dorset County Council on either flood defence grounds or water quality (2012/13)	
Environment Agency	Dorset County Council

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0	n/a*
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Source: Environment Agency and WDDC & WPBC databases

* Dorset County Council have are unable to provide advice the Council on flood defence or water quality grounds

ENV 5: Flood Risk		
Indicator = The extent of the plan area that lies within flood zone 3 (2012/13)		
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Local Plan Area (ha)	108,400	4,289
Total approximate Plan Area (ha) in Flood Zone 3 (May 2012)	3,661	431.3
% of Plan Area in Flood Zone 3 (May 2012)	3.38	10.06
Total approximate Plan Area (ha) in Flood Zone 3 (Feb 2013)	3,656	431.3
% of Plan Area in Flood Zone 3 (Feb 2013)	3.37	10.06

Source: Environment Agency

ENV 7: Coastal Erosion and Land Instability	
Indicator – Number of planning applications granted to support roll back in areas of coastal erosion and land instability (2012/13)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
0	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC databases

ENV 8: Agricultural Land and Farming Resilience	
Indicator – Amount of high quality agricultural land lost to development (Grade 1, 2, 3a).	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Information unavailable	Information unavailable

ENV 9: Pollution and Contaminated Land
Indicator = Annual change in chemical & biological quality of waterways throughout the plan area.
This indicator cannot be monitored at present and will be kept under review

ENV 13: Achieving High Levels of Environmental Performance
Indicators = Percentage of new homes constructed achieving Code for Sustainable Homes level 4 or above, level 5 or 6 and new non domestic building achieving BREEAM very good or above.
This indicator cannot be monitored at present and will be kept under review

SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth		
Indicator = Amount of land developed for employment by type and proportion on allocated sites (2012/13)		
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B1(a) Allocated	0ha	1.68ha
B1(a) Completed	0ha	0.52ha
B1 (Other) Allocated	2.22ha	0.26ha
B1 (Other) Completed	0.16ha	0ha
B2 Allocated	1.70ha	4.62ha
B2 Completed	0ha	0.62ha
B8 Allocated	0ha	0ha
B8 Completed	0ha	0ha
Mixed Allocated	29.85ha	16.31ha
Mixed Completed	0.62ha	3.05ha

Source: DCC, WPBC and WDDC.

Please note: This includes allocations from the adopted West Dorset Local Plan and the Emerging Joint Local Plan.

**SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth
Indicator = Employment land supply (2012/13)**

	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Planning Permission	63.09ha	20.49ha
Allocation	11.22ha	0ha
Under construction	1.14ha	0.26ha

Source: DCC

**SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth
Indicator = The annual housing completions within the plan area and by local planning authority area (1st April 2012 – 31st March 2013).**

	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Plan Area Total
Number completions	366	204	570

Source: DCC

**SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth
Indicator = Five year supply for housing land within the plan area and by local planning authority area.**

	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Years Supply	3.1	3.2

Source: WDDC & WPBC

Please note: Five Year Land Supply report published in February 2014 which covers the period 2013-18.

**SUS 4: The replacement of building outside defined development boundaries
Indicator = The number and location of completions for the re-use and replacement of building outside defined development boundaries by use (2012-13).**

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Tourism	8	2
Employment	1	0
Residential	1	1
Community	1	0
Mixed	3	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC

Please note: Figures currently given are based on planning permissions

SUS 5: Neighbourhood Development Plans

Indicator = The number of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders adopted (2012/13)

Indicator = Annual increase in housing land supply as a direct result of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders (2012/13)

	West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland	
	Plans / Orders	Land Supply	Plans / Orders	Land Supply
Neighbourhood plans	0	0	0	0
Neighbourhood Development Orders	0	0	0	0
Community Right to Build Orders	0	0	0	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC

ECON2: Protection of Key Employment Sites

Indicator = Area of land granted permission for non employment uses on Key Employment Sites (2012/13)

	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
Area (ha) granted permission	0ha	0ha

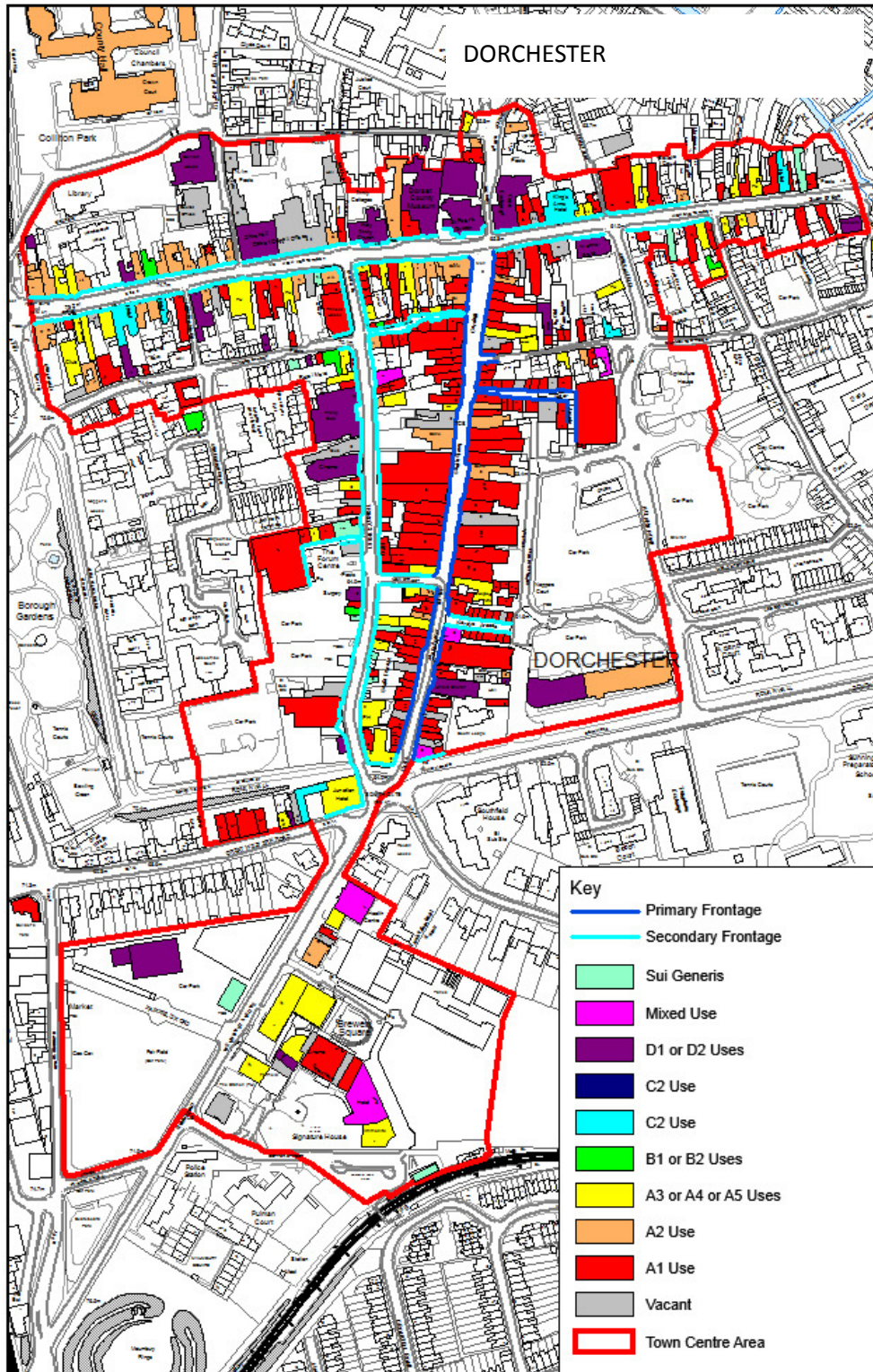
Source: WDDC and WPBC

ECON3: Protection of Other Employment Sites

Indicator – Loss of employment land/premises to non-employment uses (2012/13)

	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
Area (ha) lost to non employment uses	0	0

Source: WDDC and WPBC



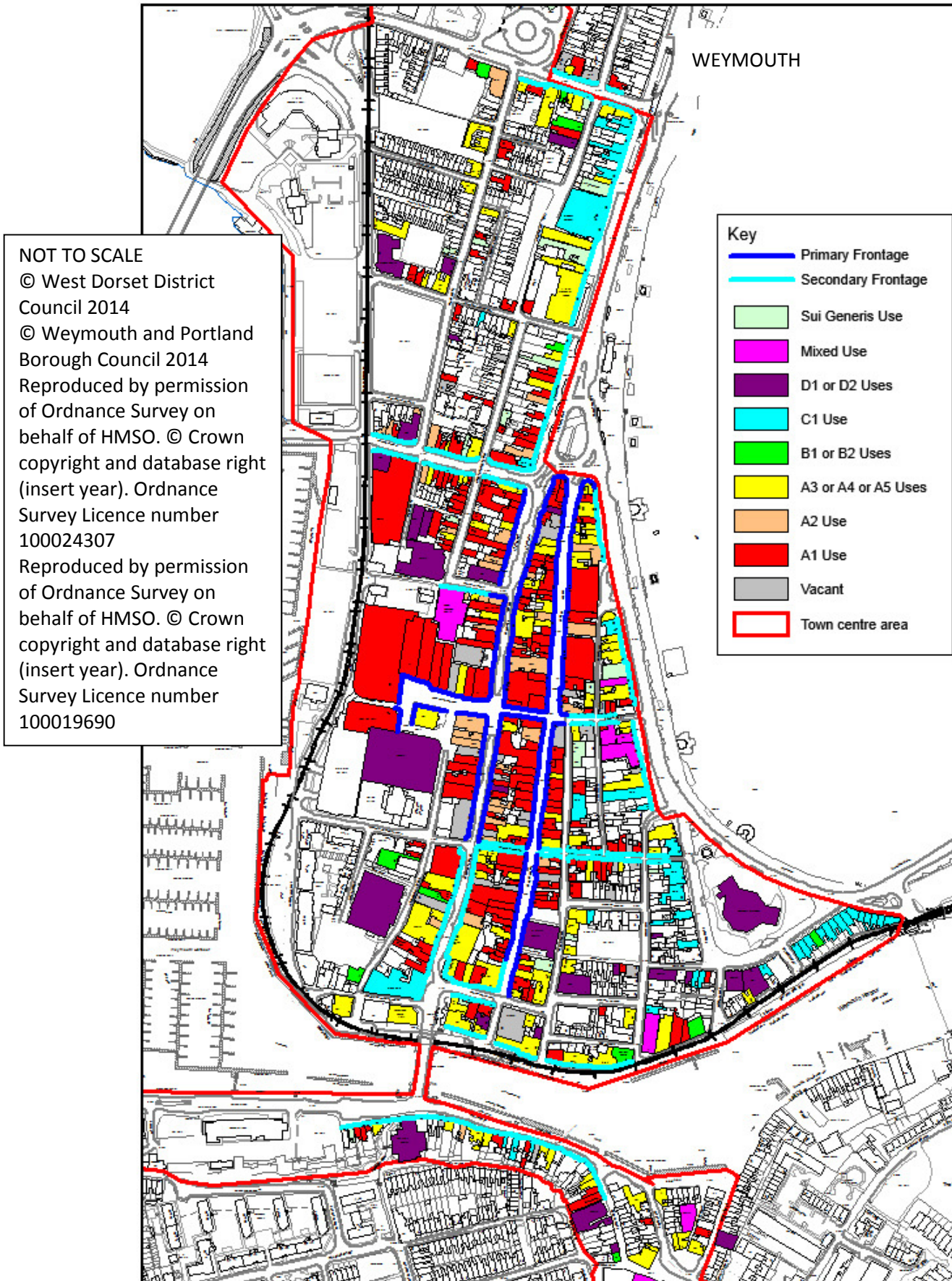
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ECON4: Retail and Town Centre Development		
Indicator = Primary and secondary frontage in use by retail, town centre and other uses (2012/13)		
Town	Primary Retail Frontage Proportion of non-retail use (by length of retail frontage)	Secondary Retail Frontage Proportion of non-retail use (by length of retail frontage)
Sherborne	36%	7%
Bridport	37%	23%
Lyme Regis	38%	38%
Dorchester	16%	22%
Weymouth	34%	18%

Source: WDDC & WPBC

ECON4: Protection of Other Employment Sites		
Indicator = Amount of completed retail development and amount located in town centres (2012/13)		
	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
Amount of completed retail floorspace	0m ²	0m ²

Source: WDDC & WPBC

ECON7: Caravan and Camping Sites		
Indicator = Planning applications approved in the Heritage Coast for the development of new/extensions to existing caravan and campsites (2012/13)		
	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
Number of planning applications	3	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC

HOUS1: Affordable Housing				
Indicator = The number of affordable housing units by size and tenure secured on-site through open market housing development (2012/13)				
Type of affordable housing (no of units delivered)				
	Private Rented		Shared Ownership	
Size	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
1 Bed	18	6	14	2
2 Bed	17	14	10	6
3 Bed	5	5	3	3
4 Bed	1	0	0	0
5 Bed	0	0	0	0
6 Bed	0	0	0	0
Total	41	26	27	11

Source: WDDC and WPBC

HOUS1: Affordable Housing		
Indicator = The number of affordable housing units by size and tenure secured on-site through open market housing development (2012/13)		
Size	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Total number of affordable housing units	68	37
Total number of completions	366	204
% of affordable housing secured	19%	18%

HOUS1: Affordable Housing	
Indicator = The level of financial contribution secured for delivery of affordable housing (2012/13)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
£0	£80,517

Source: WDDC and WPBC

HOUS2: Affordable Housing Exception Sites	
Indicator = The number of affordable housing units completed on exception sites (2012/13)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
5	0

Source: WDDC and WPBC

HOUS3: Open Market Housing Mix					
Indicator = The number of homes permitted by size (bedrooms) and type (2012/13)					
Houses	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Flats	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
1 Bed	4	2	1 Bed	72	29
2 Bed	37	20	2 Bed	93	88
3 Bed	52	17	3 Bed	9	13
4 Bed	42	9	4 Bed	0	0

Source: DCC

COM2: New or Improved Local Community Buildings and Structures	
Indicator = The number of (approved applications for) new community facilities available within the plan area (2012/13)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
3	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC

COM3: The Retention of Local Community Buildings and Structures
Indicator = Number of approved applications for change of use from shops, garages, public houses and

community buildings to other non-community uses (2012/13)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
3	1

Source: WDDC & WPBC

COM5: The Retention of Open Space and Recreational Facilities Indicator = Number of approved applications for the development or change of use of open space, including playing fields, recreational areas and allotments (2012/13)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
0	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC

COM7: Creating a Safe and Efficient Transport Network Indicator = Percentage of new homes within 30 minutes public transport time of a GP, hospital, school, employment and a major health centre (2012/13)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Information not available	Information not available

COM7: Creating a Safe and Efficient Transport Network Indicator = Number and severity of road traffic accidents (2012/13)		
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Killed or seriously injured	73	19
All Casualties	374	165

Source: <http://www.dorsetforyou.com/roadsafety/statistics/district-and-borough>

COM11: Renewable Energy Development Indicator – Annual energy generation by installed capacity and type (2011/12)						
Type	Capacity (MW) Energy		Capacity (MW) Heat			
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland		
Anaerobic Digestion	0.48	-	-	-		
Sewage Gas	-	-	-	-		
Biomass	-	-	0.97	0.270		
Energy from Waste	-	-	-	-		
Hydropower	0.01	0.0150	-	-		
Landfill Gas	-	-	-	-		
Heat Pumps	-	-	0.29	0.156		
Onshore Wind	0.08	0.0645	-	-		
Solar PV	0.45	0.1161	-	-		
Solar Thermal	-	-	0.18	0.027		
Total	1.02	0.1956	1.44	0.453		
Annual energy generation by installed capacity and type (2012/13)						
Type	Projects		Capacity (MW) Energy		Capacity (MW) Heat	
	West	Weymouth	West	Weymouth	West	Weymouth

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	Dorset	& Portland	Dorset	& Portland	Dorset	& Portland
Anaerobic Digestion	3	0	2.780	-	-	-
Sewage Gas	0	0	-	-	-	-
Biomass	53	6	-	-	2.240	0.870
Energy from Waste	0	0	-	-	-	-
Hydropower	1	2	0.007	0.022	-	-
Landfill Gas	1	0	0.463	-	-	-
Heat Pumps	130	36	-	-	1.308	0.248
Onshore Wind	22	3	0.214	0.065	-	-
Solar PV	1302	624	11.610	1.987	-	-
Solar Thermal	121	17	-	-	0.334	0.039
Total	-	-	15.074	2.074	3.882	1.157

Source: RegenSW