

**Joint Annual Monitoring Report**  
**West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland**  
**2020/21**

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## Executive Summary

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

This AMR covers the monitoring period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 and is based on the policies of the adopted West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland joint Local Plan ('Local Plan'). This is the third AMR published since West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough were replaced by a unitary authority; Dorset Council which was formed on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019. Dorset Council replaced the areas formerly served by the district and borough councils; East Dorset, North Dorset, Purbeck, West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland and Dorset County Council. Work has progressed on the Dorset Local Plan and the consultation for the Dorset Local Plan was held from January 2021 to March 2021.

The legacy local authorities that were replaced by Dorset Council are still monitored separately as they are still monitored against their adopted Local Plans. West Dorset District Council and Weymouth and Portland Borough Council are still monitored using the adopted Joint Local Plan policies as these still apply across this area and the monitoring of these will continue until a plan covering the Dorset Council area has been adopted.

The AMR also reports on the progress made in the preparation of planning documents in 2020/21 and the performance of the key monitoring indicators in the adopted Local Plan to ensure the policies are being applied as intended and working effectively.

The Local Plan was formally adopted by Weymouth & Portland Borough Council on 15 October 2015 and West Dorset District Council on 22 October 2015. In the Planning Inspectors report on the examination of the Local Plan, published 14 August 2015, he concluded that there was a '*need for an early review of the Local Plan by 2021 to ensure provision of sufficient housing land for the remainder of the plan period*'.

The West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland Local Plan review was being undertaken in line with this modification. In June 2019 the Dorset Council cabinet agreed that work on the individual plans for each previous local authority area (with the exception of Purbeck District Council) would be halted and work would be focussed on progressing the Dorset Council Local Plan. The new LDS includes the timescales for the Dorset Council Local Plan.

During the monitoring period there were 12 neighbourhood plans within West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland being produced with 1 (Yetminster and Ryme Intrinseca Neighbourhood Plan) recently passing referendum with 96.4% in favour and 1 (Stinsford Neighbourhood Plan) proceeding to referendum after a successful examination. In addition to the plans in progress within the monitoring year, Charmouth Neighbourhood Plan was formally made by the Council on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

In terms of key targets in the adopted Local Plan several of these have not been met including the number of dwellings required per annum, a total of 671 dwellings (including communal dwellings) were completed.

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There were a number of other policy monitoring indicators which were reached including those relating to:

- SUS1 (The Level of Economic and Housing Growth) – West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland can support a 5 year housing land supply with 5.85 years, meaning the adopted Local Plan policies are up to date.
- Policy ENV2 (Environmental designations) - West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland showed increases in the area designated for nature conservation.
- Policy ENV5 (Flood Risk) – No increase in the area of West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland within Flood Zone 3.
- COM2 (New or Improved Local Community Buildings & Structures) – A total of 23 additional or improved community buildings and structures have either been completed or received a grant of planning permission within the 2020-21 monitoring period.
- COM5 (The Retention of Open Space and Recreational Facilities) – In total there were 12 applications for additional open space or recreational areas within West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland.

Other monitoring indicators which were not reached include those relating to:

- Policy ENV4 (Heritage Assets) – The number of heritage assets at risk in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland have increased from 127 to 135 in the current monitoring year.
- Policy ENV4 (Heritage Assets) – The number of conservation areas with up to date appraisals is below the 65% required through the adopted Local Plan
- Policy ENV5 (Flood Risk) - 10 planning permissions were granted contrary to advice of the environment agency, within West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland above the target of zero.
- COM3 (The Retention of Local Community Buildings and Structures) – With the monitoring period 2020-21 a total of 4 community buildings were lost to other uses. This is against a target of not net loss therefore this monitoring indicator was not achieved.

## 1 Introduction

- 1.0.1 This Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) presents the progress made by Dorset Council in relation to the adopted policies and monitoring indicators in the West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland Local Plan area and in preparing local planning documents and reports to meet their aims and objectives during the period 31 March 2020 to 1 April 2021.
- 1.0.2 This AMR has been prepared by Dorset Council but covers the areas previously known as West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough Council to monitor the joint West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan which still applies to these areas until a Dorset-wide Local Plan is adopted.
- 1.0.3 This report contains the following:
- A review of the progress made in the preparation of the Local Plan documents and Neighbourhood Plans (as recorded in the Local Development Scheme);
  - A summary of the actions taken in relation to the Duty to Cooperate whilst developing these documents;
  - 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, which are:
    - Environment and Climate Change
    - Sustainable Pattern of Development
    - Economy
    - Housing
    - Community Needs and Infrastructure.
- 1.0.4 This report also contains an evaluation of the performance of the monitoring indicators included in the adopted Sustainability Appraisal which supports the adopted Local Plan.
- 1.0.5 It conforms with Section 34 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

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## 2 Local Development Scheme Progress

- 2.0.1 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) for West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland has been replaced by the Dorset Council LDS which includes information on progressing the provides a programme for the preparation of Local Planning policy documents and presents key milestones in the timetable for their delivery.
- 2.0.2 The most recent LDS was published in July 2021 (LDS 2021) replacing the previous version (LDS 2019) which was published in June 2019. The LDS 2021 includes the following table outlining the timetable for the main Local Planning Policy documents to be produced:

Figure 2.1: Local Development Scheme timetable published July 2021

Development Plan Document	Q3 2019	Q4 2019	Q1 2020	Q2 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2020	Q1 2021	Q2 2021	Q3 2021	Q4 2021	Q1 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2022	Q4 2022	Q1 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	Q1 2024	Q2 2024
Purbeck Local Plan (2018 – 2034)	Su									A										
Dorset Council Local Plan	Sc	Pr										Pu	Su					A		

**Key:**

Sc	Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Consultation
Pr	Plan Preparation
Pu	Pre-submission Publication
Su	Submission and Examination
A	Adoption

- 2.0.3 This section reports on the progress made against the programme for delivery for the following Local Planning policy documents as included in the LDS 2021 timetable:
- Dorset Council Local Plan

## 2.1. WEST DORSET, WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND LOCAL PLAN REVIEW

- 2.1.1 The West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland Local Plan was adopted in October 2015, however the Planning Inspector recommended that a review should be undertaken to identify further options for development.
- 2.1.2 The first round of consultation on the Local Plan review, on the Issues and Options document, ran from 6 February 2017 to 3 April 2017. A summary document of all the consultation responses was published August 2017. This report is available on the dorsetforyou website.
- 2.1.3 After the Issues and Options consultation ended work started on the Preferred Options document and supporting background papers. The Preferred Options documents were consulted on between 13 August 2018 to 15 October 2018. In early 2018 a number of the evidence base documents were finalised and published including: the Joint Retail and Commercial Leisure Study; Review of Managed Realignment Area for Charmouth - Dorset 2018, the Sport and Leisure Facilities Needs Assessment; the Level 1 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment; the Strategic Landscape and Heritage Study; and an updated SHLAA, all of which are available on the dorsetforyou website. The consultation summary from the Preferred Options consultation was then later published in June 2019 and is available on the dorsetforyou website.
- 2.1.4 In April 2019 the individual authorities across Dorset were replaced by two unitary councils of which West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland were replaced by Dorset Council (alongside Purbeck District Council, North Dorset District Council and East Dorset District Council).
- 2.1.5 As part of the formation of the unitary authorities Dorset Council received a consequential order from Central Government that requires the Council to produce and adopt a new local plan, reflecting the changed council geography by April 2024. However the Council expressed a preference to adopt the plan by April 2023 to prevent the plan being adopted alongside councillor elections. It was decided that the work on the individual plans (with the exception of Purbeck District Council, as the Local Plan was already at submission stage) would cease and work should immediately start on the Dorset-wide Local Plan, if the plan is to be adopted before spring 2023. However the work done and evidence gathered from work on the individual Local Plans would be carried forwards to form part of the evidence base for the Dorset-wide Local Plan, including the comments from the consultation on the individual Local Plans.
- 2.1.6 Since the decision to aim to adopt the plan before the 2023 Councillors have reviewed the key comments from the Dorset Council Local Plan consultation and as a result of the comments Dorset Council has taken the decision to delay the adoption of the plan. This decision has been taken to allow Councillors to reassess the long term aims of Dorset Council focussing on sustainability and local needs. A new LDS will be published with this new timeframe by the end of 2022.

## 2.2. DORSET-WIDE GYPSY, TRAVELLER AND TRAVELLING SHOWPEOPLE SITE ALLOCATIONS JOINT DPD

- 2.2.1 Due to the creation of the unitary authority, the decision has been taken to identify the need and allocate sites for Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople through the Dorset Local Plan. Work on this is ongoing with a call for sites and site assessment already being done. The consultation on the sites will for part of the consultation on the Dorset Council Local Plan.

## 2.3. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS

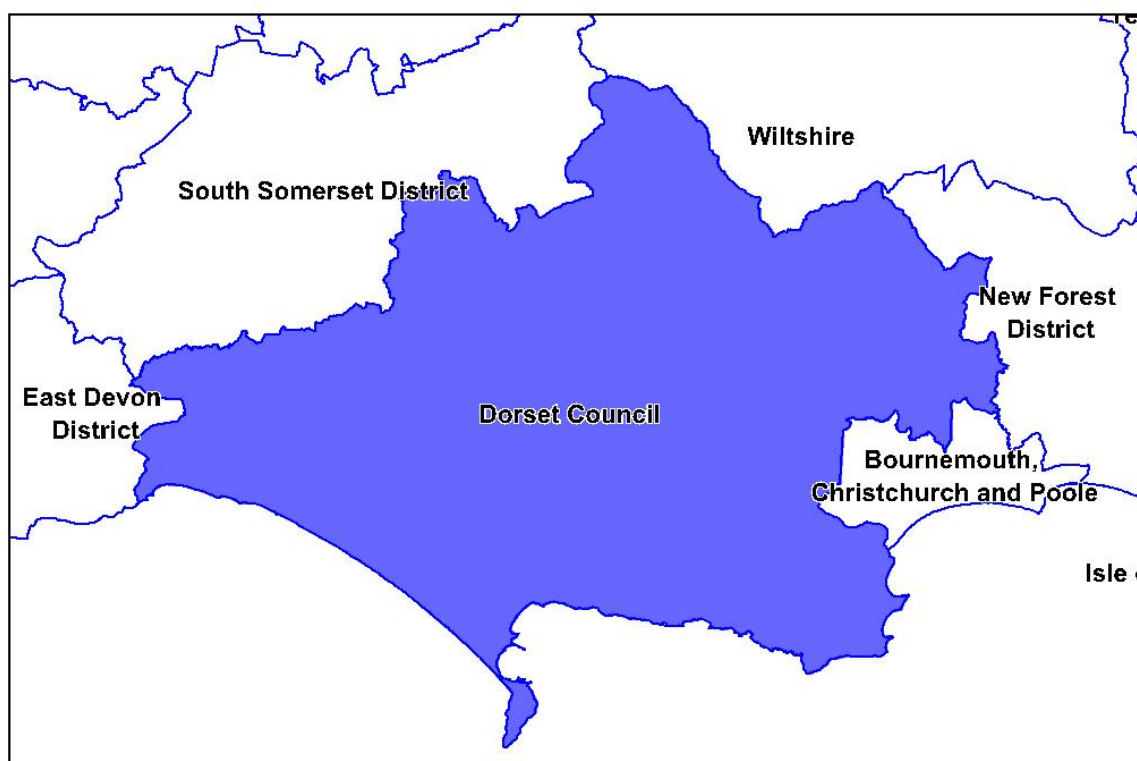
- 2.3.1 Neighbourhood plans are planning policy documents prepared by local communities, giving local people the opportunity to influence the future of their area.
- 2.3.2 The first process in developing a neighbourhood plan is for those communities to apply to the Local Planning authority to suggest the area that they want to designate for their neighbourhood plan.
- 2.3.3 In the monitoring year 2020/21, the following neighbourhood plans were in preparation:
- Beaminster
  - Charmouth
  - Chesil Bank
  - Chetnole and Stockwood
  - Corscombe Halstock and District
  - Holwell
  - Leigh
  - Longburton (Cam Vale)
  - Maiden Newton and Frome Vauchurch
  - Portland
  - Queen Thorne
  - Stinsford
  - Weymouth
  - Yetminster and Ryme Intrinsic
- 2.3.4 The following neighbourhood plans were made in the monitoring period:
- Bridport Neighbourhood Plan
  - Chickerell Neighbourhood Plan



## 3 Duty to Cooperate

- 3.0.1 The legal duty to cooperate, imposed 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.
- 3.0.2 Due to the recent replacement of the individual local authorities across Dorset with two unitary authorities, Dorset Council and BCP (Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole), meaning there will be changes in the adjacent local authorities. Figure 3.1 shows the boundaries around the Dorset Council unitary authority.

Figure 3.1: A map showing the areas of jurisdiction for the district of Dorset Council and the surrounding Local Authorities.



Source: Dorset Council 2021

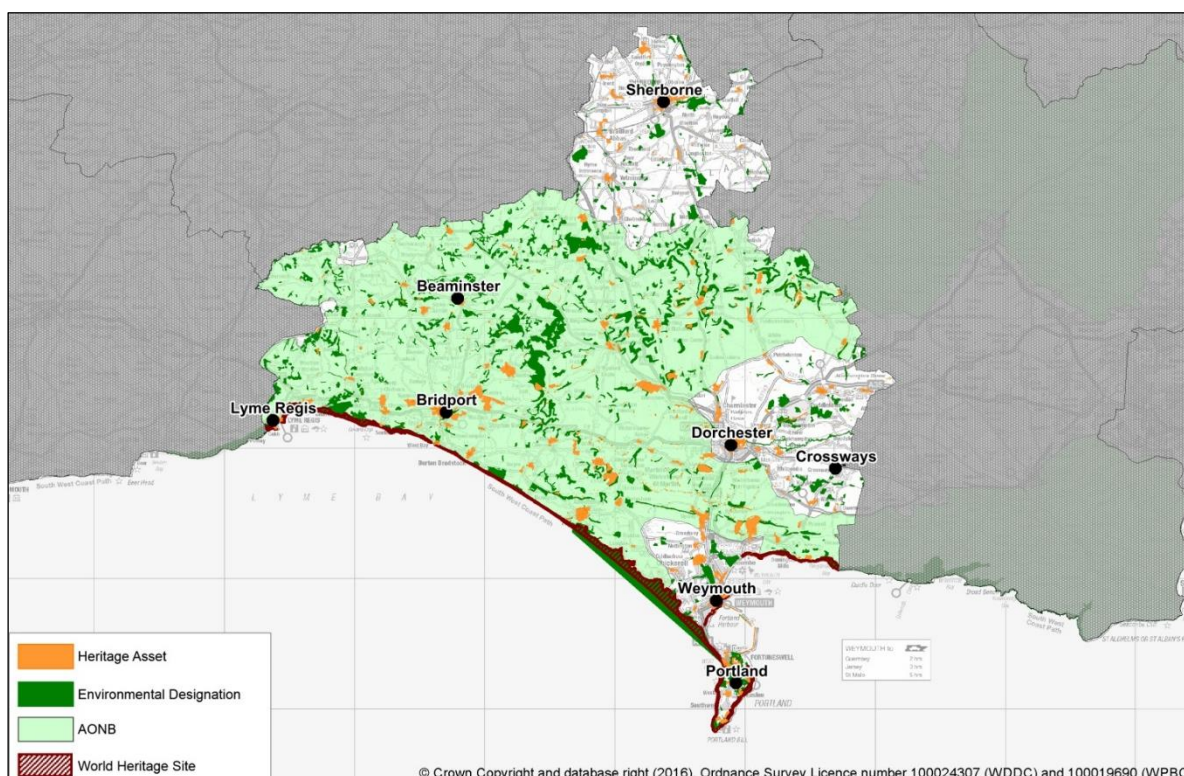
- 3.0.3 Duty to cooperate is therefore addressed by Dorset Council as a whole and a duty to cooperate statement is produced by Dorset Council regularly. However Dorset Council have worked as a whole on a number of joint projects with neighbouring Local Authorities including a Joint Greenbelt study with BCP, Joint Housing Needs Evidence study with BCP, Poole Harbour SPD monitoring with BCP, working with New Forest District on recreational pressure on the New Forest National and working with all adjacent local authorities on Nutrient Neutrality.

## 4 Environment and Climate Change

### 4.1. BACKGROUND

4.1.1 The previously known areas of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland are home to a diverse range of wildlife habitats and species, with approximately 10,930ha (9.7%) of the area designated at a regional (5.5%), national (3.9%), and/or international level (2.8%).

Figure 4.1: Major environmental and heritage designations across the previous Local authority areas of WDDC and WPBC



Source: Dorset Council 2021

4.1.2 The Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty designation recognises landscapes of particularly high quality and covers approximately 69% of the previous local authority areas of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland.

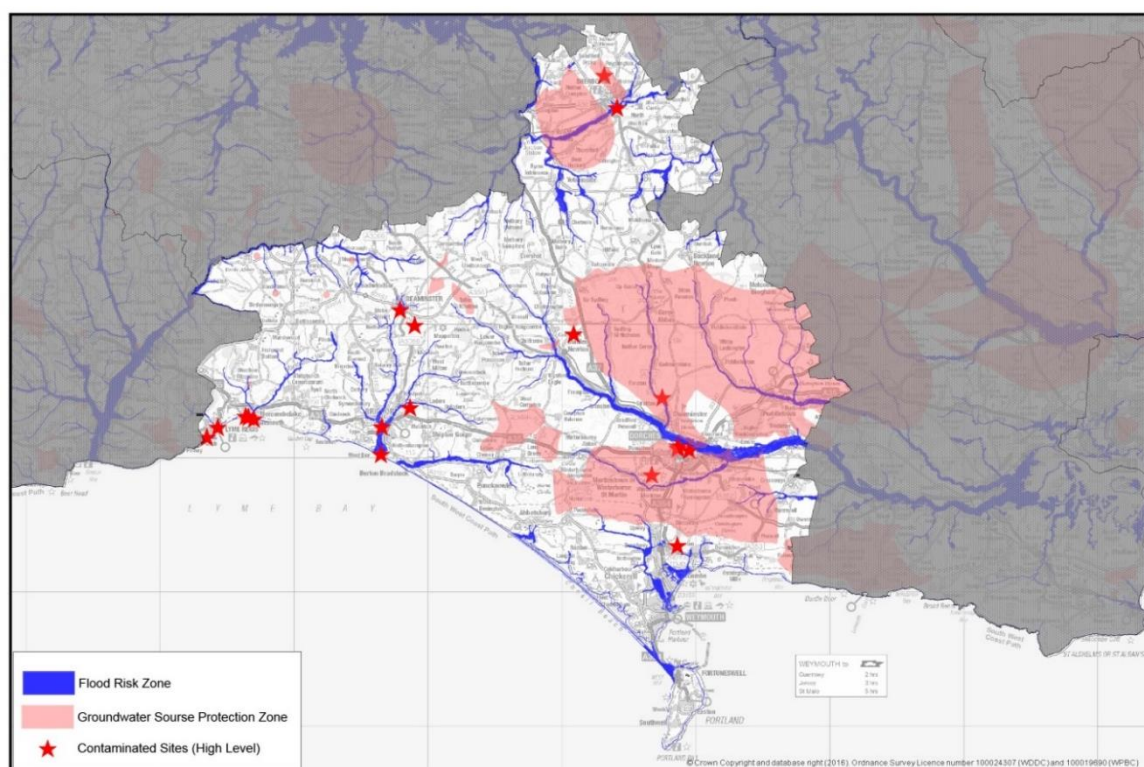
4.1.3 In addition, the vast majority of the coastline in this area is part of the Dorset and East Devon Coast World Heritage Site due to its outstanding geological and geomorphological value, with only a small section of coastline in Weymouth omitted.

4.1.4 The previous local authorities of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland also have a rich historic heritage, with approximately 8,000 Listed buildings, 90 Conservation Areas, numerous archaeological sites, and nationally important heritage assets designated, such as Scheduled Ancient Monuments.

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- 4.1.5 Due to the proximity of the coast in parts of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland there are areas which have been identified as being at risk of tidal flooding and coastal erosion as well as other areas being susceptible to fluvial flooding.
- 4.1.6 The groundwater resources which supply drinking water are vulnerable to pollution and are classified as Groundwater Source Protection Areas which are identified in figure 4.2 below. Zone 1 denotes the most vulnerable areas, with 8% coverage over West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland area. Zone 2 covers approximately 13% and Zone 3 covers approximately 7% of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland.
- 4.1.7 The most recent strategy is the West Dorset District Council's Contaminated Land Strategy, which 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 as well as an update being carried out across West Dorset.

Figure 4.2: Flood and pollution vulnerability across WDDC and WPBC



Source: Dorset Council 2021

- 4.1.8 Agricultural land is an important asset which is identified in national planning policy and the adopted Local Plan (2015). National Planning Policy indicates that planning should recognise the benefits of the best and most versatile agricultural land and:

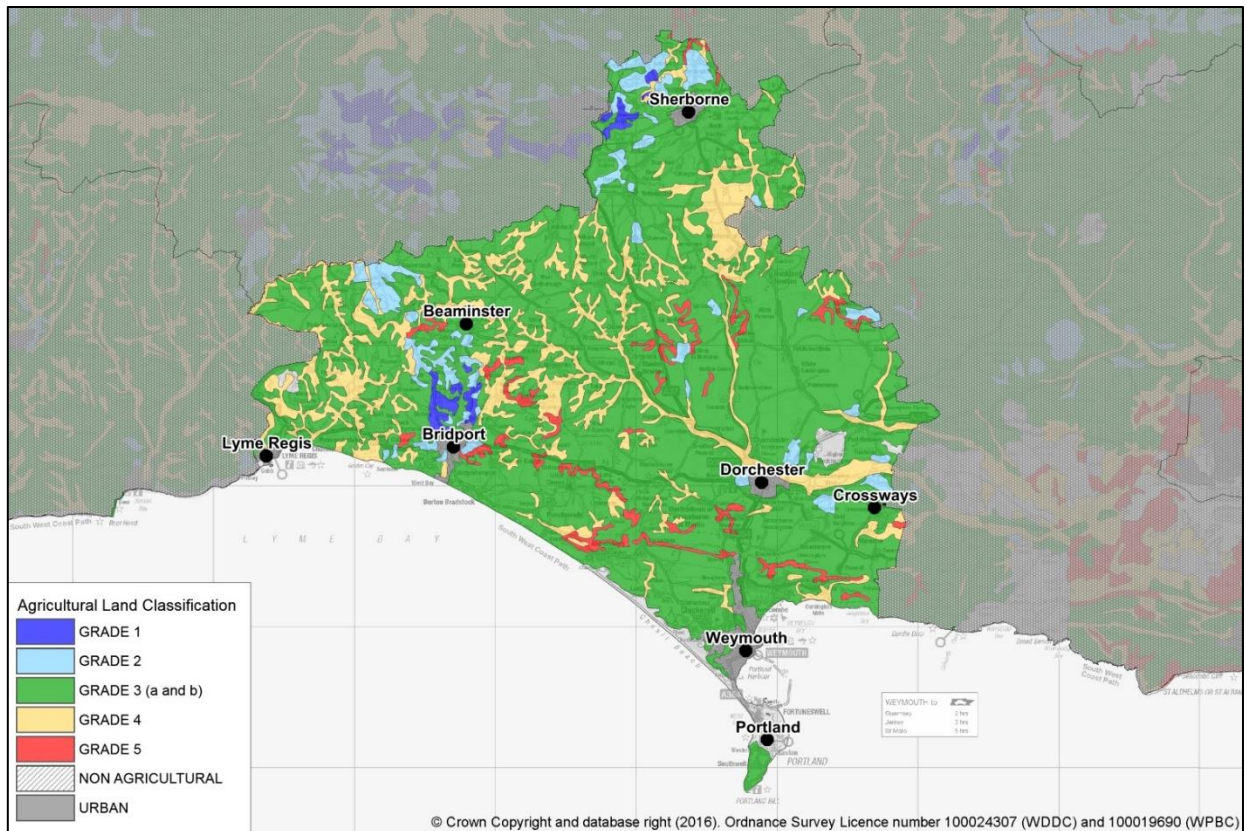
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*“Where significant development of agricultural land is demonstrated to be necessary, areas of poorer quality land should be preferred to those of a higher quality”<sup>1</sup>.*

4.1.9 The Agricultural Land Classification system classifies land into five grades, with the best and most versatile land defined as Grades 1 (‘excellent’), 2 (‘very good’) and 3a (‘good’). Grade 1 and 2 designations represent 21% of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland, with the highest grade land situated to the north of Bridport and to the west of Sherborne, as shown in figure 4.3 below.

Figure 4.3: Agricultural land classification across WDDC and WPBC



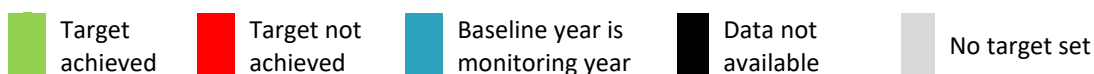
Source: Dorset Council 2021

<sup>1</sup> Paragraphs 170, 171 and footnote 53, National Planning Policy Framework, DCLG (July 2018)

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## 4.2. PERFORMANCE OF PLANNING POLICIES



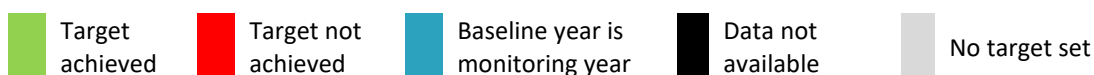
Monitoring Indicator	Target	WDDC	WPBC
<b>ENV 2 - Wildlife and Habitats</b>		Area (ha)	Area (ha)
Change in areas designated for their intrinsic nature conservation value.	Net increase	22.99ha	2ha
Condition of sites designated for their nature conservation interest.	Net increase	22.46% Increase against baseline (Dorset Council wide data only)	22.46% Increase against baseline (Dorset Council wide data only)
Heathland bird populations.	No net decrease	Increase	No data
Visitor numbers to protected Heathland Sites	No net increase	No data	No data
Visitor numbers to SANGs following implementation	Net increase	No SANGS provided at this time	No SANGS provided at this time

- 4.2.1 The monitoring for the wildlife and habitats policy (ENV 2) of the Local Plan showed the total area of land covered by wildlife designations increased over the previous local authority area of West Dorset with a net increase of 22.99ha. This is due to the increase in area of National and Local designations including an increase in SNCI (13.39ha) and SSSI (9.6ha).
- 4.2.2 The previous local authority area of Weymouth and Portland shows a small increase in the total area designated for nature conservation. There was a very minor increase in local environmental designation SNCI of 0.3ha, and a small increase in the national SSSI designation (1.7ha). More information is included within figure B7 within the appendices.
- 4.2.3 There has been some work looking into the condition of nature conservation sites focusing on the current state of the nationally designated SSSIs (Sites of Specific Scientific Interest).

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- 4.2.4 In relation to the SSSI data there were a number of areas that were assessed in the current monitoring year. The assessments in this monitoring year show no change in the condition since the last monitoring year in West Dorset, however a small change was recorded in Weymouth and Portland with a small increase in the favourable area recorded, more detail is available in figure A1 and A2 within the appendices.
- 4.2.5 In relation to the regional/local designations it is no longer being monitored by previous local authority and only by the entire Dorset Council area, so a direct comparison is not possible. However the quality of locally designated sites (including SNCI's) has shown a total increase of 22.46% from the baseline since 2009 across the Dorset Council area, more detail is available in figure A3 within the appendices.
- 4.2.6 The monitoring of policy ENV 2 was able to be carried out in the current monitoring year and showed increased numbers of both Dartford Warbler and Nightjar since the previous monitoring surveys were carried out in 2018/2019 more detail is available in figure A4 within the appendices.
- 4.2.7 Overall a number of policy targets for ENV2, wildlife and habitats have been successfully reached. In terms of the SANGS none have been created yet in this area and will be monitored as soon as the first SANG is created.



Monitoring Indicator	Target	WDDC & WPBC
<b>ENV 4 - Heritage Assets</b>		Number of Assests
Number of designated heritage assets at risk	No net increase	135
Number of conservation areas with up to date appraisals (assessed every 10 years)	At least 65%	41%

Monitoring Indicator	Target	WDDC	WPBC
<b>ENV 5 - Flood Risk</b>		Area (ha)	Area (ha)
Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency on either flood defence grounds or water quality.	0	7	3
The extent of the plan area that lies within flood zone 3.	No net increase	10ha	0ha
<b>ENV 7 - Coastal Erosion and Land Instability</b>			
Number of planning applications granted to support roll back in areas of coastal erosion and land instability.	No target set.	0	0

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- 4.2.8 The monitoring of the policy on Heritage Assets (ENV 4) shows that the number of heritage assets at risk in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland has slightly increased from 127 to 135 (see Figure A8 within the appendix).
- 4.2.9 The percentage of conservation areas with up to date appraisals across West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland has dropped below the required level with 14 appraisals going out of date in the previous monitoring year and no new Conservation Area Appraisals adopted in the current monitoring year.
- 4.2.10 There were 10 planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency on flood defence grounds during the monitoring year 2020/21, with 7 in West Dorset and 3 in Weymouth and Portland.
- 4.2.11 In relation to flooding, there has been a small decrease in West Dorset in the area of land within the plan area in flood zone 3 by 10ha, whilst in Weymouth and Portland there was no change as shown in figure 4.4.

Figure 4.4 - ENV 5: Flood Risk

	West Dorset						Weymouth & Portland					
	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
Total approx Plan Area (ha) in Flood Zone 3	3,831	3,660	3,660	3,595	3,606	3,596	504	433	433	424	424	424
Plan Area in Flood Zone 3 (%)	3.5%	3.4%	3.4%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	11.7%	10.1%	10.1%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%

Source: Environment Agency (2021)

- 4.2.12 As part of the new Dorset Local Plan, Dorset Council will be considering the approach to areas at risk from coastal change. Related to these areas, it may be that permissions will be granted to relocate existing buildings to areas at lower risk. So far there have been no permissions granted to facilitate this roll back over the monitoring period however there has been a pre-application enquiry relating to a roll back application in West Dorset within the current monitoring period.

## 5 Achieving a Sustainable Pattern of Development

### 5.1. BACKGROUND

- 5.1.1 The Local Plan identifies sites in the previous local authority areas of 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.
- 5.1.2 As West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland are no longer, up to date figures for West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland are not provided individually. However looking back at previous figures West Dorset experienced a population increases of 11.1% between 2001 and 2018, with a 3.3% population increase in Weymouth and Portland over the same time period. Although both areas had a lower population increase than England & Wales on average (12.9% increase), both areas still showed a population increase and therefore require additional services, facilities, housing and employment for the additional population.
- 5.1.3 The first phase of figures from the 2021 census have now been published, however these have not been published for the legacy local authority areas, therefore the most recent population projections have been used which do separate the area by legacy local authority area<sup>2</sup>.
- 5.1.4 West Dorset and shows a population increase of 1.36% since 2018 with the majority of this increase seen within the 65+ age category. There was a slight decrease in population figures within the 0-15 age group and a very small increase in the 15-64 age category.

Figure 5.2: Population structure in West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland in comparison to England

	WDDC (2018)	%	WDDC (2021)	%	England and Wales (2018)	%	England and Wales (2021)	%
<b>0-15</b>	15,660	15.20	15,785	15.16	11,291,119	19.10	10,852,240	16.64
<b>15-64</b>	55,570	54.10	55,643	53.43	36,947,381	62.50	35,233,879	54.03
<b>65+</b>	31,530	30.70	32,717	31.41	10,818,193	18.30	10,464,019	16.05
<b>Total</b>	102,750	100.00	104,145	100.00	59,115,810	100.00	65,207,900	100.00

<sup>2</sup> 2020 Mid-year population projections (released July 2022)



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5.1.5 Weymouth and Portland show a population percentage increase from 2018 to 2021 of 0.9%, with the increase in population from the 65+ category and a reduction in the population within the age categories of 0-15 and 15-64.

5.1.6 This is a very different pattern than seen nationally where the largest increase in population is within the 15-64 age category which has seen an increase of nearly 3% since 2018.






	WDDC (2018)	%	WDDC (2021)	%	England and Wales (2018)	%	England and Wales (2021)	%
<b>0-14</b>	10,710	16%	10,431	16%	11,291,119	19%	10,852,240	17%
<b>15-64</b>	38,460	58%	38,406	58%	36,947,381	63%	35,233,879	54%
<b>65+</b>	16,700	25%	17,626	26%	10,818,193	18%	10,464,019	16%
<b>Total</b>	65,870	100%	66,463	100%	59,115,810	100%	65,207,900	100%

Figure 5.1: Population and household estimates, England and Wales: Census 2021

(<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/populationandmigration/populationestimates/datasets/populationandhouseholdestimatesenglandandwalescensus2021>)

## 5.2. 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	Local Plan target	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 ha per annum	No data
	Employment land supply (permissions, allocations and under construction)	At least 60.3ha overall (43.6ha WDDC and 16.7ha WPBC over the current plan period 2011-31)	No data
	Annual housing completions within the plan area	775 dpa	671
	Five year supply of housing land within the plan area and by local planning authority area.	5 years	5.85

Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Local Plan target	WDDC	WPBC
SUS 4	The number and location of completions for the re-use and	No target set.	30	0

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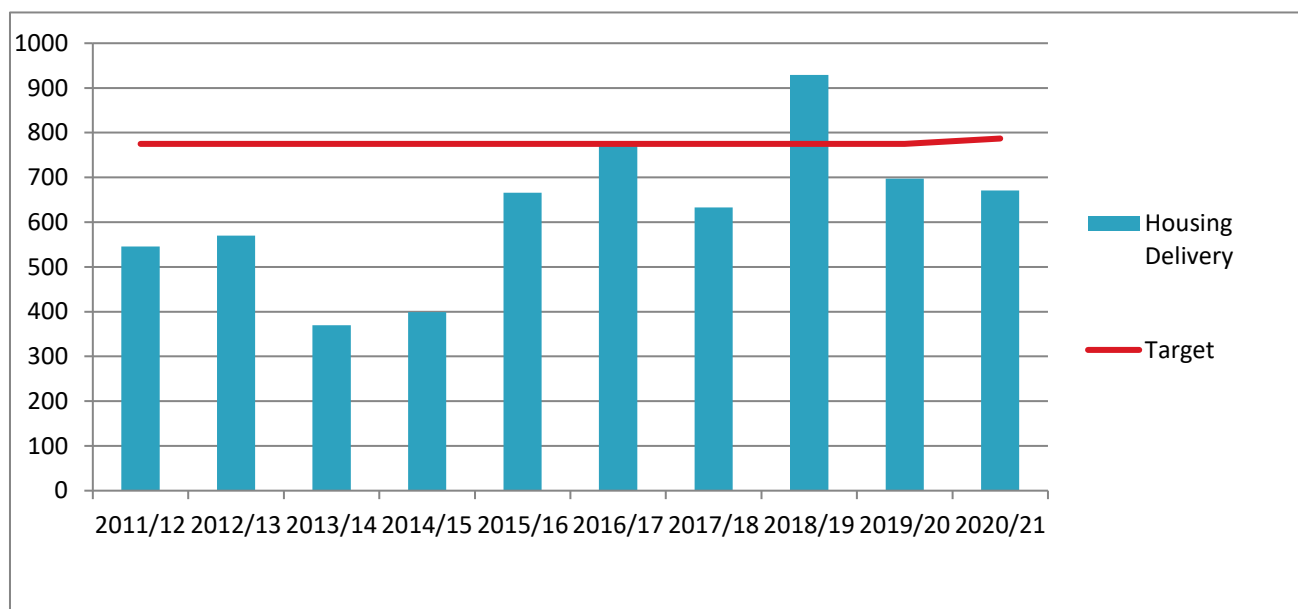
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Replacement of Buildings Outside the DDB	replacement of buildings outside the DDB by use			
SUS 5 Neighbourhood Development Plans	The number of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders made	No target set.	2	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.	1.3ha	0ha

- 5.2.1 One of the monitoring indicators for SUS1 has been met as WDDC and WPBC can support a 5 year housing land supply, with a supply of 5.85 years defined in the published 5 year housing land supply report, published in May 2022.
- 5.2.2 The only employment monitoring in the current monitoring period has been desk based and no onsite assessments have taken place. Therefore the assessments of completions onsite have not been fully undertaken, meaning the information for this has not been included within the AMR.
- 5.2.3 In relation to housing delivery the housing target in the adopted Local Plan is 775 dwellings per annum. However the adopted Local Plan is now more than 5 year old, when a Local plan is more than five years old, the Local Housing Need figure should be used. This Local Housing Need figure is calculated using the standard methodology contained in the NPPG<sup>3</sup> and is based on household projections and the local affordability ratio. More information about the calculation of the housing target is available in the published WDDC and WPBC 5 year housing land supply report (2022).
- 5.2.4 The housing target for WDDC and WPBC using the standard methodology is calculated at 787 dwellings per annum, therefore housing delivery (697 dwellings completed) falls below the housing target.
- 5.2.5 Figure 5.3 shows the level of completions this year in the context of delivery over the plan period in the figure below.

<sup>3</sup> National Planning Practice Guidance Paragraph: 004 Reference ID: 2a-004-20201216

Figure 5.3: Housing delivery against the target in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland from 2011/12 to 2020/21



Source: Dorset Council 2021

- 5.2.6 In relation to the other monitoring indicators, policy SUS4; there were 30 completions recorded as a result of the change of use or replacement of existing buildings outside the Defined Development Boundary (DDB) in West Dorset, and none were recorded in Weymouth and Portland.
- 5.2.7 In relation to neighbourhood plans, Chickerell Neighbourhood Plan and Bridport Neighbourhood Plan were made during the monitoring year. Chickerell Neighbourhood Plan allocated one site within the plan totalling 1.3ha however part of this included an existing mobile home site. Bridport did not allocate any sites within the plan.
- 5.2.8 There were no Neighbourhood Development Orders or Community Right to Build Orders adopted within the plan area during 2020/21.

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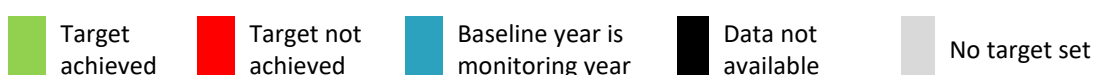
## 6 Economy

### 6.1. BACKGROUND

6.1.1 Key aims in the adopted Local Plan are to support the local economy to provide opportunities for high quality, better paid jobs and therefore ensure businesses are able to grow and new business are supported.

### 6.2. PERFORMANCE OF PLANNING POLICIES (ECONOMY PART 1)

Legend:



Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Local Plan target	WDDC (ha) WPBC (ha)
ECON 2 Protection of Key Employment Sites	Area of land granted permission for non employment uses on Key Employment Sites	No target set	0.071ha (707.5m <sup>2</sup> )
ECON 3 Protection of Other Employment Sites	Loss of employment land/premises to non employment uses (total loss to non-employment use)	No target set	0.64ha (6,328.15m <sup>2</sup> )

6.2.1 The monitoring of the Local Plan's policies to protect employment sites from development of non-employment uses. Although no targets are set in the adopted Local Plan a total of 0.071ha was permitted on key employment sites for other uses. There were much larger losses on non key employment sites with a total of 0.64ha permitted for change of use from employment floorspace to other uses including residential and recreational uses. However figure 6.4 shows this level of loss is far lower than in recent years.

Figure 6.4: Amount of employment floorspace lost to other uses in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland

WDDC and WPBC	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Area (ha) granted permission	2.74	0.31	0.27	0.13	2.742	2.74	0.64

Source: Dorset Council 2021

6.2.2 The level of employment land at the allocation stage is generally based on hectares of land, however the completions are measured in actual floorspace delivered. Due to the Dorset Council Local Plan consultation taking place and officers being involved in the

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consultation in March/April 2021 the site visits for employment sites where not carried out, therefore no additional data is available for the monitoring period 2020-21.

- 6.2.3 The data from previous years is set out in figure 6.5 and this will be updated when the site visits have been carried out.

Figure 6.5: Application area completed as floorspace in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland from 2015/16 to 2020/21.






WDDC and WPBC			
Year	Application Area Completed (ha)	Gross additional floorspace (ha)	Percentage of Application area converted to floorspace
20/21	No data	No data	No data
19/20	4.300	0.672	15.630%
18/19	7.000	1.150	16.429%
17/18	7.650	1.008	13.176%
16/17	2.290	0.400	17.467%
15/16	5.041	1.051	20.857%

Source: Dorset Council 2021

- 6.2.4 The amount of floorspace delivered in comparison to the application area has changed over time with the trend pointing to less floorspace being completed in comparison to the total application area. This will be updated in the next monitoring period when additional information is collected on employment floorspace.

## 6.3. PERFORMANCE OF PLANNING POLICIES (ECONOMY PART 2)

Legend:

 Target achieved	 Target not achieved	 Baseline year is monitoring year	 Data not available	 No target set
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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Local Plan target	WDDC (ha)	WPBC (ha)
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% retail and other non town centre uses in secondary frontages	No data	No data

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	Amount of proposed retail development each year and amount located in town centres	No target set	-280m <sup>2</sup>	62m <sup>2</sup>
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	1	0

- 6.3.1 The surveying of primary and secondary frontages in town centre locations (ECON 4) for the monitoring of Retail and Town Centre Development was done in 2018. No additional monitoring has been carried out since this time. When any additional monitoring is carried out this section will be updated.
- 6.3.2 The 25% threshold in policy ECON4 aims for less than 25% of all primary and secondary frontages in town centres to be used for uses other than retail. The results taken from 2018 show the average of non retail uses in the primary shopping area in West Dorset is below the threshold of 25%, with 18.3% of frontages being for non retail uses. This is a significant increase from 2017 year which showed only 6.2% (see monitoring report 2016-17 available on the dorsetforyou website). However this is likely to be due to a higher percentage of vacant units, with 7.4% of frontages in Dorchester being vacant in 2018. In relation to Weymouth and Portland, the figure has changed little from 2017 with 12.3% of frontages in the primary shopping area being recorded for non retail uses, this increased to 13% in 2018.
- 6.3.3 In relation to the secondary frontages both West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland are just over the 25% threshold, with 27.5% of frontages in West Dorset being for non retail uses and 25.2% in Weymouth and Portland. In Dorchester this is mostly a result of the higher number of vacant units with 12% of frontages being vacant. In West Dorset this shows a significant increase on the previous year, which was 7% of frontages used for no retail uses. In relation to Weymouth and Portland, this is similar to the figure from the previous year which showed 21.7%. It is likely this increase is partly due to changes of retail to residential uses with over 7% of secondary frontages being residential in the secondary frontages.
- 6.3.4 The second indicator for policy ECON 4 showed that completions relating to A class floorspace in town centres have resulted in a net loss of A class floorspace totalling 280m<sup>2</sup> in West Dorset. However there was a small gain in Weymouth and Portland of 62m<sup>2</sup> of additional retail space in the town centre.
- 6.3.5 The monitoring of policy ECON 7 (Caravan and Camping Sites) showed that in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland there was 1 proposal for an extension to a caravan and camping site within the Heritage Coast. More information on the applications is available in the appendix, figure A21.

## 7 Housing

### 7.0. BACKGROUND

- 7.0.1 One of the key strategic objectives in the adopted Local Plan is to meet local housing needs for all. To meet this strategic objective across West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland it is important to take into account the increased housing demands arising from the changing demographic and social needs, to deliver affordable housing to meet the needs of local people and provide a range of house sizes and types to meet requirements.
- 7.0.2 The median average house price in West Dorset in 2021 (£330,000<sup>4</sup>) was significantly higher than in the South West (£290,000<sup>5</sup>) and in England and Wales (£279,783<sup>6</sup>). Whilst average house prices were lower in Weymouth & Portland (£225,000<sup>4</sup>) than average prices across the South West and similar to those in England and Wales as a whole.
- 7.0.3 The more significant concern is the level of increase in median house prices since 2019. England and Wales as a whole showed the largest increase with an average increase of 18.55%, closely followed by the South West average increase at 15.08%. West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland didn't increase at such a high level with an increase of 13.79% in West Dorset and a much lower increase in median values in Weymouth and Portland of 6.67%. However this level of increase in such a short timescale is a concern when house prices especially in West Dorset were already well above average prices seen nationally and regionally.

Figure 7.1 – House price information from 2019 to 2021

	2019	2020	2021	% increase since 2019
<b>West Dorset</b>	£290,000	£295,000	£330,000	13.79%
<b>Weymouth and Portland</b>	£225,000	£225,000	£240,000	6.67%
<b>England and Wales</b>	£236,000	£245,000	£279,783	18.55%
<b>South West</b>	£252,000	£260,000	£290,000	15.08%

Source: ONS 2021

- 7.0.4 In addition to median house prices it is important to understand the relationship of house prices to earnings, and therefore the affordability of housing in the Local Authority area.

<sup>4</sup> DLUCH - Table 1 - Median house price by former local authority district, England and Wales, year ending September 2020 to year ending September 2021 (£)

<sup>5</sup> DLUCH - Table 1a - Median house price by country and region, England and Wales, year ending September 1997 to year ending September 2021 (£)

<sup>6</sup> DLUCH - Table 1a - Median house price by country and region, England and Wales, year ending September 1997 to year ending September 2021 (£)

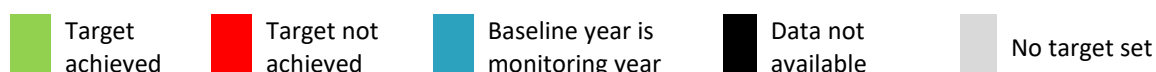
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The affordability ratio for 2021 (the most up-to-date data available) shows median house price to median income in 2021 in West Dorset was 12.0 and 9.81 in Weymouth & Portland. In West Dorset this is an increase from 2017 where a ratio of 10.90 was recorded but a significant increase in Weymouth and Portland from the 2017 figure of 7.93. However both ratios are still far higher than the national average of 8.93 in England and Wales.

## 7.1. PERFORMANCE OF PLANNING POLICIES

Legend:



Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Local Plan target	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.	25% affordable housing secured in Portland and 35% secured in Weymouth and West Dorset	17% (89 homes)	19% (29 homes)
	The amount of money collected for affordable housing development schemes.	No target set	£0	£109,791
HOUS 2 Affordable Housing Exception Sites	The number of affordable housing units completed on exception sites.	No target set.	40	0

- 7.1.1 The Local Plan (2015) includes a split affordable housing policy for the previous Local Authority areas of West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland, with 35% affordable housing sought on residential development sites in Weymouth and West Dorset and 25% affordable housing sought on Portland.
- 7.1.2 During 2021/21; 118 affordable housing units were secured through open market development. This included 29 affordable dwellings in Weymouth and Portland (19% of completions in Weymouth and Portland) and 89 affordable dwellings in West Dorset secured through open market development (15% of completions in West Dorset). In addition, 40 affordable housing units were completed on exception sites in the previous Local Authority area of West Dorset. Including the affordable units provided on the exception sites, a total of 158 affordable dwellings were completed in 2020/21 across West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland, totalling 24% of the total delivery across West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland.
- 7.1.3 Although affordable housing delivery falls below the set target it is partly a result of the affordable housing threshold. This results in development sites of 10 units or less not being required to provide affordable housing onsite under national policy. There is however, an



exception that housing developments in a rural designated area must provide a financial contribution to affordable housing on sites of between 5-10 units. As there is a high proportion of sites delivered (especially across West Dorset) delivering less than 5 units, it results in a lower affordable housing percentage delivered overall.

- 7.1.4 In addition to the affordable housing units provided the council has also received offsite contributions on sites where affordable housing has not been able to be provided and an offsite contribution has been negotiated through S106. In West Dorset the council received no contributions however a total of £109,791 was received in Weymouth and Portland. This was collected from Brandy Row £81,536.19 and Royal Victoria Lodge £28,254.94.

## 7.2. SELF BUILD

- 7.2.1 Local Planning Authorities are required to keep a register of individuals and associations who are seeking to acquire a serviced plot of land in the authority's area for self build and custom housebuilding (referred to as the Self-build register).

- 7.2.2 A second duty is placed on authorities to then grant permissions on serviced plots of land to meet the demand for self build as evidenced by the number of people on Part 1 of the self build register. Authorities have three years in which to grant planning permission starting from 30 October 2016. Dorset Council must have 'regard' to the Part 2 register in their planning, housing and land disposal functions.

- 7.2.3 As a consequence of local government reorganisation, the five former district level self build registers were replaced by a single Dorset Council register on 31 October 2020, the beginning of base period six. The number of individuals on the Part 1 and Part 2 self build registers are included in figure 7.2 below. The supply of suitable permissions is evidenced by the number of self build exemptions to the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)<sup>7</sup>. The first year of data shows an over supply of 33 permissions.

Figure 7.2: Individuals on the self build register in Dorset Council (2020-2021)

Base Period	Demand for plots evidenced by the Self Build Register		Self Build CIL Exemptions	Residual requirement at end of period (oversupply is negative)
	Part 1	Part 2		
Sixth Base Period (31 October 2020 to 30 October 2021)	45	160	78	-33

Source: Dorset Council 2021

- 7.2.4 Past district level data is available in previous annual monitoring reports.

<sup>7</sup> Please note that there is no CIL in the former North Dorset area.

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- 7.2.5 The primary objective of the self-build register is to record demand for self-build and custom housebuilding so that sufficient serviced plots of land can be brought forward. New mechanisms for 'serviced plot' delivery are currently being explored through the Dorset Council Local Plan.

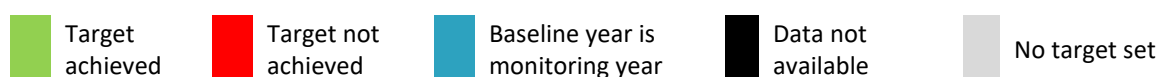
## 8 Community Needs and Infrastructure

### 8.1. BACKGROUND

- 8.1.1 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, both in terms of health and building a strong economy.

### 8.2. PERFORMANCE OF PLANNING POLICIES

Legend:



Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Local Plan target	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	19	4
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	-1	-3
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	9	3
COM 11 Renewable Energy Development	Annual energy generation by installed capacity and type	Net increase	No info	No info

- 8.2.1 In relation to COM2 there have been 19 applications for additional, or improvements to different community buildings/structures in West Dorset. In Weymouth and Portland there were 4 applications for additional or extensions to community assets, more information on the specific application is available in the appendix, figure A29.
- 8.2.2 The monitoring showed that the policy on the Retention of Local Community Buildings and Structures (COM3) in the Local Plan has been generally successful in preventing the loss of

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community buildings and structures in West Dorset. There was a loss of only 4 assets resulting in a net gain of community assets in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland. More information on this is available in figure A30

- 8.2.3 In relation to COM5, there were 9 applications approved for additional open space and/or recreational facilities in West Dorset and 3 in Weymouth and Portland.
- 8.2.4 There is no new renewable energy data available at this time and the figures are included from last years data.

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## 9 Sustainability Appraisal Monitoring Indicators

- 9.0.1 The following section assesses the Sustainability Appraisal (SA) monitoring indicators. The main purpose of the Sustainability Appraisal is to ensure that the key environmental, social and economic issues are considered throughout the development of the Local Plan, with the goal of achieving sustainable development through the planning system.
- 9.0.2 The following indicators included in the SA are listed in the sections below. These indicators support the policies in the adopted Local Plan 2015 and ensure the sustainable approaches in the adopted plan are proving effective.

### 9.1. LONGER TERM LOSS OF BIODIVERSITY

9.1.1 The SA aims to ensure that development allocated does not damage the environment and therefore monitoring the loss of biodiversity can assess the strength of adopted policies in the Local Plan. This is monitored by assessing the state of nationally designated areas which are monitored by Natural England. This includes the assessment of SSSIs which although aren't monitored annually gives a representation if sites are generally improving or declining. In total there are 52 SSSIs in West Dorset and 9 in Weymouth and Portland that have been monitored covering a total area of around 4,600 hectares.

9.1.2 Since the previous monitoring year no area of SSSI has changed into a different category even though a number of areas have been assessed since the previous monitoring year.

Figure 9.1: Current condition of SSSI's in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland - 2020/21 (no change since last year)

	Destroyed (ha)	Part Destroyed (ha)	Unfavourable Declining (ha)	Un-favourable no change (ha)	Un-favourable Recovering (ha)	Favourable (ha)	Total (ha)
WDDC 16/17	0	0	195.66	121.28	804.35	1,777.69	2,899
WDDC 17/18	0	0	195.66	121.28	804.35	1,777.69	2,899
WDDC 18/19	0	0	123.68	121.28	876.86	1,781.20	2,903
WDDC 19/20	0	0	123.68	121.28	876.86	1,781.20	2,903
WDDC 20/21	0	0	123.68	121.28	876.86	1,781.20	2,903
WDDC 20/21 (%) Total	0.00%	0.00%	4.26%	4.18%	30.21%	61.36%	100%

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WPBC 16/17	0.95	1.03	38.37	119.77	464.86	1,004.79	1,630
WPBC 17/18	0.95	1.03	179.61	119.77	464.86	863.52	1,630
WPBC 18/19	0.95	1.03	251.24	138.24	446.39	863.52	1,701
WPBC 19/20	0.95	1.03	251.24	138.24	446.39	863.52	1,701
WPBC 20/21	0.95	1.03	251.24	63.7	446.19	865.07	1,628
WPBC 20/21 (%) Total	0.06%	0.06	15.43%	3.91%	27.41%	53.14%	100%

Source: Natural England 2021 (\*figures may not sum due to rounding)

9.1.3 The monitoring of the sites by Natural England shows there have been a number of areas assessed in this annual monitoring year, more information on site visits is available in Appendix figure A1. There have been no changes within West Dorset since the previous monitoring period. However in Weymouth and Portland there have been several changes. The most significant is the overall reduction in SSSI area, totalling 73ha. The majority of this reduction is seen in the section “Un-favourable no change” with a reduction of 74.54ha in this category. There is a slight increase in area land within the category favourable with a total increase of 1.55ha which is positive. Areas are reviewed by Natural England annually and the reduction in the total SSSI area goes back to a similar area defined in 2017/18.

## 9.2. IMPACTS OF DEVELOPMENT UPON INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE DESIGNATIONS

9.2.1 The following indicator assesses the impact on international designations. International designations include SAC (Special Area of Conservation), SPA (Special Protection Area) and Ramsar Sites.

9.2.2 The table below shows the changes in area of internationally designated sites from 2014/15 to 2020/21.

Figure 9.2: Total area designated for international environmental designations in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland - 2014/15 - 2020/21

Ecological designation	Year	West Dorset			Weymouth & Portland		
		Area Hectares	% area covered	Difference (ha)	Area Hectares	% area covered	Difference (ha)
				compared with 19/20			compared with 19/20
International (SAC, SPA, Ramsar)	14/15	2,563	2.36%		625	14.50%	
	15/16	2,557	2.32%		624	14.50%	
	16/17	3,470	3.20%		676	15.80%	

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	17/18	3,348	3.09%		676	15.80%	
	18/19	3,523	3.25%		676	15.80%	
	19/20	3,705	3.42%		677	15.79%	
	20/21	3,705	3.42%	0.0	677.0	15.75%	0.0

Source: Natural England (See figure A8 for more detail)

9.2.3 The results show in figure 9.2 there were no changes to the area of internationally designated sites within West Dorset or Weymouth and Portland since the previous monitoring period.

9.2.4 Another way of assessing the quality of a designation is to assess the presence of certain species. For example the presence of certain heathland birds (in this case at Winfrith and Tadnoll) is a way of monitoring the quality of the heathland. Normally heathland bird surveys are done annually, however as a result of the corona virus lockdown in 2020 no heathland bird surveys were carried out, however surveys continued in 2021.

Figure 9.3: Numbers of 3 species of heathland birds recorded on Winfrith and Tadnoll heath.

Species	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Dartford Warbler	15	14	10	12	No data	12
Nightjar	16	19	21	25	No data	28
Woodlark	0	0	0	0	No data	2

Source: Natural England (See figure A8 for more detail)

9.2.5 As shown in the table above the, the numbers of Dartford Warblers and Nightjars have continued to recover with the highest numbers recorded in 2020/21. Woodlark populations have also shown signs of recovery with the first 2 recorded in 2020/21 on Winfrith and Tadnoll heath. However this is a difficult measure to understand the health of the heathland in West Dorset.

## 9.3. RIVER QUALITY

9.3.1 A number of allocations made in the adopted Local Plan, especially in Bridport are close to or adjacent to rivers, therefore it is important to monitor the quality of the rivers to assess any impact from development.

9.3.2 The following table shows the change in river quality in the water bodies in Dorset as a whole from 2015. There is no additional data for the current monitoring year therefore no updates are able to be included. Between 2015-2019 the quality does show some small improvements in ecological status or potential since 2016 however the chemical status is worsening significantly with all 68 rivers now failing.

Figure 9.4: River Quality as a whole in Dorset 2015 - 2019

		<b>Ecological status or potential</b>	<b>Chemical status</b>
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	Number of water bodies	Bad	Poor	Moderate	Good	High	Fail	Good
2019	68	6	17	33	12	0	68	0
2016	68	9	18	28	13	0	0	68
2015	68	9	16	30	13	0	0	68

Source: Environment Agency (<http://environment.data.gov.uk/catchment-planning/OperationalCatchment/3528>)

9.3.3 As the main focus of river quality is on the Bridport catchment the four main catchment areas have been looked into in more detail. The four main catchment areas include Asker, Upper Brit, Mangerton Brook, Simene. The four catchment area maps are shown in Appendix B, figure 30.

Figure 9.5: River Quality in the rivers in Bridport 2013-2019

Asker	2013 (Cycle 1)	2013 (Cycle 2)	2014 (Cycle 1)	2014 (Cycle 2)	2015 (Cycle 2)	2016 (Cycle 2)	2019 (Cycle 2)	2021	Objectives
Overall Water Body	Moderate	Moderate	Poor	Moderate	Poor	Poor	Poor	No data	Good by 2021
Ecological	Moderate	Moderate	Poor	Moderate	Poor	Poor	Poor	No data	Good by 2021
Chemical	Not required	Good	Not required	Good	Good	Good	Fail	No data	Good by 2015

Upper Brit	2013 (Cycle 1)	2013 (Cycle 2)	2014 (Cycle 1)	2014 (Cycle 2)	2015 (Cycle 2)	2016 (Cycle 2)	2019 (Cycle 2)	2021	Objectives
Overall Water Body	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Moderate	No data	Good by 2015
Ecological	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Moderate	No data	Good by 2015
Chemical	Not required	Good	Not required	Good	Good	Good	Fail	No data	Good by 2015

Mangerton Brook	2013 (Cycle 1)	2013 (Cycle 2)	2014 (Cycle 1)	2014 (Cycle 2)	2015 (Cycle 2)	2016 (Cycle 2)	2019 (Cycle 2)	2021	Objectives
Overall Water Body	Moderate	Good	Moderate	Good	Good	Good	Moderate	No data	Good by 2027
Ecological	Moderate	Good	Moderate	Good	Good	Good	Good	No data	Good by 2027

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Chemical	Not required	Good	Not required	Good	Good	Good	Fail	No data	Good by 2015
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Simene	2013 (Cycle 1)	2013 (Cycle 2)	2014 (Cycle 1)	2014 (Cycle 2)	2015 (Cycle 2)	2016 (Cycle 2)	2019 (Cycle 2)	2022	Objectives
Overall Water Body	Good	Moderate	Good	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	No data	Good by 2027
Ecological	Good	Moderate	Good	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	No data	Good by 2027
Chemical	Not required	Good	Not required	Good	Good	Good	Fail	No data	Good by 2015

(Source: Environment Agency (<http://environment.data.gov.uk/catchment-planning/OperationalCatchment/3528>))

9.3.4 The above tables show that all the rivers within Bridport (and Dorset as a whole) now fall into the fail category in relation to chemical water quality. However this is likely due to this type of chemical testing not being done since 2014.

9.3.5 In the Asker ecological water quality has declined from Moderate to Poor between 2013 to 2019. The chemical water quality in the Asker has also declined now in the fail category. The status has failed due to the presence of priority hazardous substances (more information is available on the Environment Agency website). This reason for failing on chemical water quality is the same across the other catchments around Bridport.

9.3.6 The water quality in the Upper Brit river and catchment area has recently dropped to moderate after previously remaining in the good category since 2013 for both ecological and chemical water quality. The Mangerton Brook river and catchment has also recently fallen back into the moderate category.

9.3.7 The Simene river and catchment area has moved from good quality to moderate quality in terms of ecological quality from 2013 to 2019.

## 9.4. AIR QUALITY

9.4.1 The Sustainability Appraisal highlighted that under the EU Air Quality Framework Directive the objective is to maintain ambient air quality where it is classified as good, and improve it in other cases with respect to sulphur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide and oxides of nitrogen, particulate matters and lead. The framework sets European wide Limits, which form the basis of the national air quality objectives in national legislation<sup>8</sup>.

<sup>8</sup> <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/air/quality/standards.htm>



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9.4.2 To ensure that air quality improves in areas of higher pollution levels in the areas previously known as West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland. Two areas were designated in West Dorset as Air Quality Management Areas (AQMA). These include Dorchester along High West/High East Street and in Chideock. Although Bridport is included in the table below it is not technically included as an AQMA, however in the past it has had some high levels of pollution in the centre so it has also been included in the monitoring.

9.4.3 The following results in the table show the yearly averages of nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) at seven different locations in Dorchester, Bridport and Chideock. The most recent EU air quality standards deemed that the year average should not exceed 40µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Figure 9.6: Air Quality results in the Air Quality Management Areas (AQMA) across West Dorset (2011-2021)

Monitoring Site	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2020	2021
<b>Dorchester</b>								
<b>High West Street (711)</b> (Grid Ref: X – 369121, Y – 90739)	38.4	40.1	38.2	34.4	34.2	36.6	35.4	28.6
<b>High East Street (714)</b> (Grid Ref: X – 369387, Y – 90742)	42.3	37.5	46.7	38.4	37.9	37	30.3	27.4
<b>Bridport</b>								
<b>East Road (717)</b> (Grid Ref: X – 347557, Y – 93023)	43.7	43.1	41.7	42.7	47.6	44.2	31.8	32.3
<b>East Road (730)</b> (Grid Ref: X – 347612, Y – 93050)	56.6	64.6	58.5	53.0	51.5	46.4	33.8	34.5
<b>Chideock</b>								
<b>Duck Street (724)</b> (Grid Ref: X – 342190, Y – 92840)	45.2	42.9	36.7	36.7	47.7	41.9	26.0	28.6
<b>Village Hall (726)</b> (Grid Ref: X – 342015, Y – 92887)	49.5	45.4	41.8	39.2	47.8	40.9	28.2	30.1
<b>Main Street (727)</b> (Grid Ref: X – 341946, Y – 92908)	53.3	55.3	53.0	50.0	58.9	56.5	38.3	41.8

Source: Dorset Council 2021 Air Quality data (ASR)<sup>9</sup> – based on a mean average of the monthly data.

9.4.4 The results in the table above show the levels of nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) from 2011 to 2021. The results show that the NO<sub>2</sub> levels across the majority of monitoring locations have

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/environmental-health/documents/air-quality-report-2018-west-dorset.pdf>

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in West Dorset have remained below the required  $40\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  as identified by EU standards. Levels have fallen in 2021 in Dorchester however have increased since 2020 in both Bridport and Chideock. Although levels have increased from those recorded in 2020 there has been an overall trend in reductions of  $\text{NO}_2$  levels, especially in comparison to the levels seen in 2011. For more detailed information please see the results published on the Dorset Council website. Details on the methodology of the testing can be found in the; 'LAQM Annual Status Report 2018'<sup>7</sup>.

## 9.5. ACCESS TO SERVICES AND FACILITIES

- 9.5.1 Another monitoring indicator highlighted in the SA includes the percentage of developments within 30 minutes of key services and facilities. This data was originally provided by Dorset County Council however due to lack of resources this is now not able to be provided.
- 9.5.2 It is hoped that this data will be available in future. Previously data was monitoring in West Dorset District Council and Weymouth and whereby the key services and facilities were split into sections including access to medical facilities (including GP surgeries, Hospitals and Hospices), access to schools (including primary, secondary and higher education), access to other facilities (including supermarkets, larger convenience shops and train stations). The access to the facilities was then tested using a 5 mile radius for each section.
- 9.5.3 However pressure on resources means this type of internal assessment was not undertaken this year. This monitoring indicator is an important assessment of sustainability of new housing and the long term monitoring of this indicator will be assessed once the Dorset Council Local Plan is adopted.

## 9.6. ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- 9.6.1 Delivering enough affordable housing in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland is a significant issue with lower quartile house prices to lower quartile earnings in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland well above the average for the South West and England and Wales as a whole (as stated above in paragraph 7.0.3 and in figure 7.1).
- 9.6.2 Figure 9.7 shows the number of affordable homes delivered on exception sites over the past 5 years (2016/17 to 2020/21), in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland. Figure 9.7 shows the number of homes delivered on exception sites has increased every year in West Dorset since the adoption of the local plan with 40 dwellings delivered in 2020/21 the highest number delivered in West Dorset over the period recorded..

Figure 9.7: Affordable homes completed on exception sites in WDDC and WPBC.

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
<b>WDDC (Affordable homes completed on Exception sites)</b>	8	15	8	33	40

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<b>WPBC (Affordable homes completed on Exception sites)</b>	0	0	0	0	0
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Source: Dorset Council 2021

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## Appendix A: Data on Monitoring Indicators

Figure A1 - ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats

Indicator = condition of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) sites (2020/21)

West Dorset SSSI 's assessment description figures by Area (ha)

Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable	Date of Latest survey
Abbotsbury Blind Lane						0.19	05/03/12
Abbotsbury Castle					34.89		30/10/12
Aunt Mary's Bottom						8.51	13/06/11
Babylon Hill						1.84	13/12/18
Batcombe Down			16.07			2.42	07/06/13
Black Hill Down					19.12	40.45	19/03/13
Blackdown(Hardy Monument)					2.30	19.54	20/10/11
Bracket's Copp & Ryewater Farm				1.55	21.00	31.01	26/03/13
Bradford Abbas Railway cutting						1.38	13/12/18
Burton Bradstock						0.10	05/03/12
Chalbury Hill and Quarry			10.42			1.55	05/09/11
Conegar Road cutting						0.15	15/01/09
Corton Cutting						0.24	05/03/12
Court Farm Sydling						83.16	21/06/13
Crookhill Brick Pit						4.71	25/03/09

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Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable	Date of Latest survey
Drakenorth			20.87		2.59	2.75	07/09/12
Eggardon Hill and Luccas Farm			5.06		8.38	130.92	13/08/11
Frogden Quarry						0.19	11/03/15
Frome St Quintin					23.98	8.67	17/01/19
Giant Hill					42.78	41.00	01/04/14
Goathill Quarry						0.26	08/03/12
Halfway House Quarry			0.87				05/11/10
Haydon and Askerswell Down			35.87		27.26	44.26	25/03/13
Hog Cliff					0.49	85.75	21/06/13
Holnest						54.82	28/10/10
Holway Hill Quarry						0.11	25/02/09
Horn Park Quarry						2.67	16/11/21
Lambert's Castle			2.90	2.29	64.82	39.22	18/08/14
Langford Meadow					7.9		10/06/10
Low's Hill Quarry				0.94			11/03/15
Lyscombe and Highdon					16.78	66.13	25/07/19
Mapperton and Poorton Vales			20.72	18.30	29.02	17.17	29/01/14
Melbury Park				6.68	98.33	154.39	30/05/12
Morcombela ke				11.70	2.93	8.31	22/10/19
Peashill Quarry						0.44	16/11/21

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Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable	Date of Latest survey
Pitcombe Down					2.12	10.99	12/05/11
Powerstock Common and Wytherston Fm			1.56	20.58	82.51	57.04	29/01/14
Poxwell						0.44	07/09/11
Rampisham Down					71.98		20/09/19
River Axe (West Dorset Section)			0.19				08/12/10
River Frome (West Dorset section)			5.65	40.74	7.21		22/10/10
Sandford Lane Quarry						0.75	08/03/12
South Dorset Coast*				2.08	8.15	131.74	12/03/15
Sydling Valley Downs						73.99	28/06/13
Toller Porcorum			2.30		143.99	58.02	26/03/13
Trill Quarry						1.40	18/11/21
Valley of Stones						80.39	01/06/11
Warmwell Heath			1.20	5.30	49.26		29/11/10
West Dorset Coast				11.12	106.71	480.66	08/06/21
Whetley Meadows					1.07	7.02	08/06/11
Woolcombe						18.11	17/11/10
Wootton Fitzpaine					1.29	8.34	02/12/19
<b>TOTAL 20/21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>123.68</b>	<b>121.28</b>	<b>876.86</b>	<b>1,781.2</b>	<b>n/a</b>
TOTAL 19/20	0	0	123.68	121.28	876.86	1,781.2	n/a
TOTAL 18/19	0	0	123.68	121.28	876.86	1,781.2	n/a
TOTAL 17/18	0	0	195.66	121.28	804.35	1,777.69	n/a

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Source: Natural England 2022

## Figure A2 - ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats

Indicator = condition of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) sites

Weymouth and Portland SSSI 's assessment description figures by Area (ha)

Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable	Date of Latest survey
Lodmoor					38.74	36.15	18/08/10
Chesil and Fleet			218.4		113.83	652.49	06/12/21
Isle of Portland	0.95		31.97	23.72	165.32	129.89	16/11/21
Lorton					15.25	6.08	21/10/10
Nicodemus Heights			0.87			6.92	09/06/10
Portland Harbour Shore		1.03		3.24		20.87	16/11/21
Radipole Lake				16.87	79.08		15/03/12
Upwey Quarries & Bincombe Down				1.40		5.10	18/11/21
White Horse Hill				18.47	33.97	7.57	05/09/19
<b>Total 20/21</b>	<b>0.95</b>	<b>1.03</b>	<b>251.24</b>	<b>63.7</b>	<b>446.19</b>	<b>865.07</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>Total 19/20</b>	<b>0.95</b>	<b>1.03</b>	<b>251.24</b>	<b>66.63</b>	<b>446.39</b>	<b>863.52</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>Total 18/19</b>	<b>0.95</b>	<b>1.03</b>	<b>251.24</b>	<b>66.63</b>	<b>446.39</b>	<b>863.52</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>Total 17/18</b>	<b>0.95</b>	<b>1.03</b>	<b>179.61</b>	<b>119.77</b>	<b>464.86</b>	<b>863.52</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>Total 16/17</b>	<b>0.95</b>	<b>1.03</b>	<b>38.37</b>	<b>119.77</b>	<b>464.86</b>	<b>1,004.79</b>	<b>n/a</b>

Source: Natural England 2022

## Figure A3 - ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats

Indicator = condition of Designated Sites (regional/local sites)

SNCIs & LGS Dorset Council	Number of sites at March 2021 (year 13)	Number of sites at March 09 (baseline) % increase	Baseline 2009 - Number qualify	Baseline 2009 - % qualify	Year 13 – 2021 - Number qualify	Year 13 – 2021 - % qualify	% increase against Baseline

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Dorset Council	1317	1289	609	47.25	918	69.70	22.46
ALL DORSET INCL BoP & BBC	1383	1509	696	46.12	956	69.13	23.00

Source: DERC 2021 Includes SNCI's and LGS (No longer reported by district only by Dorset Council)

## Figure A4 - ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats

Indicator = Heathland bird population (at Winfrith and Tadnoll in 2020/21)

Species	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
Dartford Warbler	14	10	12	Not surveyed	12
Nightjar	19	21	25	Not surveyed	28
Woodlark	0	0	0	Not surveyed	2

Source: RSPB (2021)

## Figure A5 - ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats

Indicator = Visitor numbers to protected heathland sites.

	2019/20
Number of visitors to the SANGs	SANGs yet to be implemented

Source: Dorset Council 2021

## Figure A6 - ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats

Indicator = Visitor numbers to SANGs following implementation.

	2019/20
Number of visitors to the SANGs	SANGs yet to be implemented

Source: Dorset Council 2021

## Figure A7 – ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats

Environment

Ecological designation	Year	West Dorset			Weymouth & Portland		
		Area Hectares	% area covered	Difference (ha) - Increase compared with 19/20	Area Hectares	% area covered	Difference (ha) - compared with 19/20
	14/15	2,563.0	2.36%		625.0	14.50%	
	15/16	2,557.0	2.32%		624.0	14.50%	

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International (SAC, SPA, Ramsar)	16/17	3,470.0	3.20%		676.0	15.80%	
	17/18	3,348.0	3.09%		676.0	15.80%	
	18/19	0.0	0.00%		0.0	0.00%	
	19/20	3,705.0	3.41%		677.0	15.75%	
	20/21	3,705.0	3.41%	0.0	677.0	15.75%	0.0
National (SSSI)	14/15	3,646.0	3.36%		803.0	18.70%	
	15/16	3,647.0	3.36%		803.0	18.70%	
	16/17	3,630.0	3.35%		799.3	18.64%	
	17/18	3,627.0	3.35%		799.3	18.64%	
	18/19	0.0	0.00%		0.0	0.00%	
	19/20	3,638.0	3.36%		799.7	18.65%	
	20/21	3,647.6	3.36%	9.6	801.4	18.64%	1.7
Regional (SNCI)	14/15	5,051.0	4.65%		111.0	2.60%	
	15/16	5,097.0	4.69%		111.0	2.60%	
	16/17	5,089.0	4.69%		111.0	2.60%	
	17/18	5,089.0	4.69%		111.0	2.60%	
	18/19	0.0	0.00%		0.0	0.00%	
	19/20	5,064.8	4.67%		106.1	2.47%	
	20/21	5,078.2	4.67%	13.39	106.4	2.47%	0.3
All	14/15	11,260.0	10.39%		1539.0	35.89%	
	15/16	11,301.0	10.42%		1538.0	35.87%	
	16/17	12,189.0	11.24%		1586.3	36.99%	
	17/18	12,064.0	11.13%		1586.3	36.99%	
	18/19	0.0	0.00%		0.0	0.00%	
	19/20	12,407.8	11.41%		1582.8	36.81%	
	20/21	12,430.8	11.44%	22.99	1584.8	36.86%	2

Source: Natural England and Dorset Council 2021

Figure A8 - ENV 4: Heritage Assets

Indicator = Number of designated heritage assets at risk

	West Dorset				Weymouth and Portland			
	Conservation Areas/Park Garden	Listed Buildings	Scheduled Monuments	Total	Conservation Areas/Park Garden	Listed Buildings	Scheduled Monuments	Total
2015	0	15	118	133	1	3	4	8
2016	1	14	105	120	1	3	4	8
2017	1	12	106	119	1	2	5	8
2018	1	14	111	126	1	3	3	7
2019	1	10	109	120	1	3	3	7

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2020	1	11	107	119	1	3	5	9
2021	1	14	111	126	1	1	9	11

Source: Historic England '2021 Heritage at Risk Register' (South West)

**Figure A9 - ENV 5: Flood Risk**

**Indicator = Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency on either flood defence grounds or water quality**

Application Number	Date	Local Authority	Description
WD/D/20/000626	2020/21	Dorset Council - West	Residential - Non Major
WD/D/20/001067	2020/21	Dorset Council - West	Residential - Non Major
WD/D/20/002002	2020/21	Dorset Council - West	Residential - Major
WD/D/20/001841	2020/21	Dorset Council - West	Residential - Non Major
WD/D/20/003009	2020/21	Dorset Council - West	Residential - Non Major
WD/D/19/002710	2020/21	Dorset Council - West	Caravan Sites - Major
WD/D/20/002116	2020/21	Dorset Council - West	Other - Non-Major
WP/20/00467/OUT	2020/21	Dorset Council - Weymouth	Other - Non Major
WP/20/00560/FUL	2020/21	Dorset Council - Weymouth	Mixed Use - Major
WP/20/00642/FUL	2020/21	Dorset Council - Weymouth	Residential - Non Major

Source: Environment Agency (2021)

**Figure A10 - ENV 5: Flood Risk**

**Indicator = The extent of the plan area that lies within flood zone 3**

	West Dorset						Weymouth & Portland					
	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
Total approx Plan Area (ha) in Flood Zone 3	3,831	3,660	3,660	3,595	3,606	3,596	504	433	433	424	424	424
Plan Area in Flood Zone 3 (%)	3.5%	3.4%	3.4%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	11.7%	10.1%	10.1%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%

Source: Environment Agency (2021)

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**Figure A11 - 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**

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
<b>West Dorset</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Weymouth &amp; Portland</b>	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A12 - SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth**

**Indicator = Amount of land developed for employment by type and proportion on allocated sites**

	West Dorset & Weymouth and Portland (Gross ha)	West Dorset & Weymouth and Portland (Gross ha)	West Dorset & Weymouth and Portland (Gross ha)	West Dorset & Weymouth and Portland (Gross ha)
	2017/18	2018/19	19/20	20/21
Total area completed for employment on allocated sites	1.15	7.16	1.16	No data
Total floorspace completed on allocated sites	0.60	1.16	0.199	No data
Total area completed for employment on unallocated sites	4.72	6.37	3.14	No data
Total floorspace completed on unallocated sites	0.54	1.22	0.47	No data

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A13 - SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth**

**Indicator = Employment land supply**

	West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland (ha)	West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland (ha)	West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland (ha)	West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland (ha)
	2017/18	2018/19	19/20	20/21
Total application area for commenced	20.79	9.025	18.05	No data

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applications on allocated Sites				
Permission on allocated sites	9.51	8.42	11.15	11.22
Commenced on unallocated sites	4.34	1.844	9.68	No data
Permission on unallocated sites	15.01	7.68	12.85	13.41

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A14 - SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth**

**Indicator = The annual housing completions within the plan area (net)**

<b>Weymouth &amp; Portland</b>	<b>2013/14</b>	<b>2014/15</b>	<b>2015/16</b>	<b>2016/17</b>	<b>2017/18</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2019/20</b>	<b>2020/21</b>
Weymouth	68	124	161	26	51	198	130.56	105
Portland	44	24	40	143	161	91	76	53
<b>WPBC Total</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>206.5</b>	<b>158</b>
<b>West Dorset</b>	<b>2013/14</b>	<b>2014/15</b>	<b>2015/16</b>	<b>2016/17</b>	<b>2017/18</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2019/20</b>	<b>2020/21</b>
Littlemoor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chickerell	35	31	72	77	60	60	42	21
Dorchester	149	117	160	348	178	218	106.6	96
Crossways	7	0	4	3	6	14	3	0
Bridport	9	20	27	48	13	27	12.56	32.0
Beaminster	5	1	5	5	2	3	0	66.0
Lyme Regis	11	6	40	36	53	19	20	10.0
Sherborne	28	3	102	18	33	137	136.11	61.0
Rural WDDC	14	73	55	68	76	162	170.22	229
<b>WDDC Total</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>490.44</b>	<b>513</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>633</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>671</b>

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A15 - SUS 4: The replacement of building outside defined development boundaries**

**Indicator = The number and location of planning permissions granted for the re-use and replacement of building outside defined development boundaries by use**

	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>
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<b>West Dorset</b>	7	6	4	37	30
<b>Weymouth &amp; Portland</b>	1	0	5	0	0

Source: Dorset Council 2021 (Please note: Figures currently given are based on planning permissions)

## Figure A16 - SUS 5: Neighbourhood Development Plans

**Indicator = The number of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders adopted**

**Indicator = Annual increase in housing land supply as a direct result of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders**

	2018/19				2019/20				2020/21			
	West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland		West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland		West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland	
	Plans / Orders	Land Supply	Plans / Orders	Land Supply	Plans / Orders	Land Supply	Plans / Orders	Land Supply	Plans / Orders	Land Supply	Plans / Orders	Land Supply
<b>Neighbourhood plans</b>	2	2.3	0	0	3	10.2	1	0	0	1.3	0	0
<b>Neighbourhood Development Orders</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Community Right to Build Orders</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Dorset Council 2021 (land supply figures are in hectares)

## Figure A17 - ECON2: Protection of Key Employment Sites

**Indicator = Area of land granted permission for non employment uses on Key Employment Sites**

West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Area (ha) granted permission	1.5ha	0.13ha	0.38ha	0.44ha	2.11ha	1.87ha	0.071ha

Source: Dorset Council 2021

## Figure A18 - ECON3: Protection of Other Employment Sites

**Indicator – Loss of employment land/premises to non-employment uses (Completed Floorspace)**

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West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Area (ha) granted permission	2.74	0.31	0.27	0.13	0.632	0.756	0.107

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A19 - ECON4: Protection of Other Employment Sites**

Indicator = Amount of retail development and amount located in town centres

	West Dorset (ha)						Weymouth & Portland (ha)					
	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
Amount of completed retail floorspace (m <sup>2</sup> )	0	-30.0	-530.0	-300.0	0	-280.0	0	970.0	-300.0	-790.0	-870.0	-62.0

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A20 - ECON7: Caravan and Camping Sites**

Indicator = Planning applications approved in the Heritage Coast for the development of new/extensions to existing caravan and campsites

	West Dorset						Weymouth & Portland					
	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
No of planning applications	3	0	0	2	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A21 - ECON7: Caravan and Camping Sites**

Indicator = Planning applications approved in the Heritage Coast for the development of new/extensions to existing caravan and campsites

Application Number	Date	Local Authority	Description
WD/D/19/000651	16/06/2020	Dorset Council - West	Erection of additional holiday accommodation (timber cabin)

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A22 - HOUS1: Affordable Housing**

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**Indicator = The number of affordable housing units by size and tenure secured on-site through open market housing development**

**Target = 25% affordable housing secured in Portland and 35% secured in Weymouth and West Dorset**

	West Dorset					Weymouth & Portland				
	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
Total affordable housing units	82	92	87	114	129	41	27	36	27	29
Total number of completions	603	421	640	490	551	169	212	289	207	192
% of affordable housing secured	14%	22%	14%	23%	15%	24%	13%	13%	13%	19%

Source: Dorset Council 2021 (figures have been rounded)

## Figure A23 - HOUS1: Affordable Housing

**Indicator = The number of affordable housing units by tenure secured on-site through open market housing development**

	West Dorset					Weymouth & Portland				
	Affordable Rented									
	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
<b>Total</b>	45	71	51	No data	45	18	20	22	No data	9
	Intermediate Housing									
	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
<b>Total</b>	37	17	36	No data	56	23	7	14	No data	20

Source: Dorset Council 2021 (figures have been rounded)

## Figure A24 - HOUS1: Affordable Housing

**Indicator = The number of affordable housing units by size and tenure secured on-site through open market housing development**

	West Dorset					Weymouth & Portland				
	Affordable Rented									
Size	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
<b>1 Bed</b>	10	21	18	No data	0	0	4	0	No data	2
<b>2 Bed</b>	20	40	31	No data	30	11	11	10	No data	7
<b>3 Bed</b>	17	10	6	No data	15	3	5	1	No data	0
<b>4 Bed</b>	0	0	0	No data	0	1	0	0	No data	0

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<b>5 Bed</b>	0	0	0	No data	0	0	0	0	No data	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>55</b>	No data	<b>45</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>	No data	<b>9</b>
<b>Intermediate Housing</b>										
<b>Size</b>	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>
<b>1 Bed</b>	2	0	4	No data	6	0	0	0	No data	0
<b>2 Bed</b>	23	10	2	No data	34	15	5	5	No data	14
<b>3 Bed</b>	11	11	13	No data	22	8	2	0	No data	6
<b>4 Bed</b>	1	0	0	No data	0	0	0	0	No data	0
<b>5 Bed</b>	0	0	0	No data	0	0	0	0	No data	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>22</b>	No data	<b>56</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	No data	<b>20</b>

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## Figure A25 - HOUS1: Affordable Housing

Indicator = The level of financial contribution secured for off-site delivery of affordable housing

	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>
<b>West Dorset</b>	£53,688	£81,000	£377,165	No data	£0
<b>Weymouth &amp; Portland</b>	£6,463	£170,000	£197,835	No data	£109,791

Source: Dorset Council 2021

## Figure A26 - HOUS2: Affordable Housing Exception Sites

Indicator = The number of affordable housing units completed on exception sites

	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>
<b>West Dorset</b>	8	15	8	33	40
<b>Weymouth &amp; Portland</b>	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Dorset Council 2021

## Figure A27 - HOUS3: Housing Mix delivered (2020/21)

Indicator = The number of homes permitted by size (bedrooms) and type (GROSS)

<b>Houses Type</b>	<b>WDDC</b>					<b>WPBC</b>				
	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>
<b>1 Bed</b>	10	56	20	No data	40	0	7	5	No data	39
<b>2 Bed</b>	77	100	105	No data	61	44	55	79	No data	35
<b>3 Bed</b>	123	109	225	No data	7	47	72	68	No data	9



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<b>4 Bed+</b>	93	85	125	No data	0	26	14	25	No data	0
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>475</b>	No data	<b>108</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>177</b>	No data	<b>83</b>
	<b>WDDC</b>					<b>WPBC</b>				
<b>Flats Type</b>	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>19/20</b>	<b>20/21</b>
<b>1 Bed</b>	150	36	75	No data	14	35	37	59	No data	3
<b>2 Bed</b>	198	33	93	No data	133	49	19	52	No data	52
<b>3 Bed</b>	38	3	14	No data	216	8	7	1	No data	48
<b>4 Bed+</b>	0	-1	2	No data	80	0	1	0	No data	6
<b>Sub Total</b>	386	135	184	No data	443	92	64	112	No data	109
<b>Total</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>659</b>	No data	<b>551</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>289</b>	No data	<b>192</b>

Source: Dorset Council 2021 (Housing mix figures are gross figures and will not tally exactly with net figures included in Figure B14 - SUS 1)

## Figure A28 - COM2: New or Improved Local Community Buildings and Structures

Indicator = The number of (approved applications for) new community facilities available within the plan area

	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
<b>West Dorset</b>	3	6	9	18	20	19
<b>Weymouth &amp; Portland</b>	0	2	0	16	3	4

## Figure A29 - COM2: New or Improved Local Community Buildings and Structures

Indicator = The number of (approved applications for) new community facilities available within the plan area (including community buildings, building associated with health, shops etc)

Application Number	Location	Proposal
<b>West Dorset</b>		
<b>WD/D/19/002322</b>	WEST STAR FARM, MAIN ROAD, MORCOMBELAKE	Installation of a sewage treatment plant
<b>WD/D/20/002601</b>	THE GREAT FIELD, PEVERELL AVENUE EAST, POUNDBURY	Erection of Pavilion with Cafe, Community Space and Offices. Variation of Plans Condition to allow for bin store, removal of office window, addition of kitchen window, addition of solar panels, alterations to doors.

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<b>WD/D/19/002627</b>	DORSET COUNTY HOSPITAL, WILLIAMS AVENUE, DORCHESTER, DT1 2JY	Erection of multi storey car park & improvements to internal site roads & temporary change of use of former school field to car parking
<b>WD/D/19/003055</b>	YEATMAN HOSPITAL, HOSPITAL LANE, SHERBORNE, DT9 3JU	Proposed alterations to existing building and replacement windows.
<b>WD/D/20/000109</b>	WOODROFFE SCHOOL, UPLYME ROAD, LYME REGIS, DT7 3LX	Erect new school building with associated landscaping
<b>WD/D/20/000201</b>	CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROOD, BUCKLAND NEWTON	Certificate of Lawfulness to provide confirmation that the development works have been commenced and that the consent should not expire - in relation to WD/D/17/000589 - Construction of single storey extension to west end of church between north aisle and west tower.
<b>WD/D/20/000376</b>	HARBOUR VALE SCHOOL, SIMONS ROAD, SHERBORNE, DT9 4DN	Erection of single-storey reception and classroom building, new entrance gate and renovation works to the existing buildings including a new rooflight.
<b>WD/D/20/000455</b>	SHERBORNE GIRLS, BRADFORD ROAD, SHERBORNE, DT9 3QN	Installation of 3 no. ground source heat pumps, 18 no. boreholes and associated pipework (retrospective)
<b>WD/D/20/000730</b>	LAND AT JUNCTION WITH SLYERS LANE, COKERS FRM ROAD, COKERS FROME	Installation of sewage treatment and infiltration systems for 7 individual plots
<b>WD/D/20/000842</b>	FORDE ABBEY, ACCESS TO FORDE ABBEY, FORDE ABBEY, CHARD, TA20 4LU	Installation of New Sewage Treatment Plant and associated alterations to foul and surface drainage installations
<b>WD/D/20/001009</b>	HARBOURMASTER'S OPEN COMPOUND, HARBOURMASTER'S YARD, OZONE TERRACE, LYME REGIS	Erection of Harbourmaster and fishermen's store
<b>WD/D/20/001208</b>	DORSET COUNTY HOSPITAL, WILLIAMS AVENUE, DORCHESTER, DT1 2JY	Relocation of existing decontamination unit and installation of a modular unit to supplement unplanned healthcare services
<b>WD/D/20/001302</b>	LAND EAST OF YEOVIL JUNCTION STATION AND NORTH OF, CLIFTON ROAD, CLIFTON MAYBANK	Construction of railway platform and associated change of use for leisure & recreation purposes
<b>WD/D/20/001617</b>	LAND WEST OF HOLY TRINITY BURIAL	Remove existing garage and erect new scout hut building

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	GROUND, LANE TO WHATLEY MILL, BEAMINSTER	
<b>WD/D/20/001753</b>	THE HEALTH CENTRE, 26 ACREMAN STREET, SHERBORNE, DT9 3NX	Temporary siting of cabin to provide isolated assessment space for Covid 19
<b>WD/D/20/002130</b>	WESTON MANOR FARM, WESTON LANE, CORSCOMBE, DORCHESTER, DT2 0PB	Change of use of part of agricultural barn to cookery school
<b>WD/D/20/002576</b>	7 NORTH SQUARE, DORCHESTER, DT1 1HY	Change of use from Prison use (Class C2A) to Leisure and Community use (Class E(d) F(b) and F(c))
<b>WD/D/20/002965</b>	ST MARYS CHURCH, TOWER HILL, NETHERBURY	Installation of handrails and the replacement of traditional external lighting
<b>WD/D/20/003135</b>	DORSET COUNTY HOSPITAL, WILLIAMS AVENUE, DORCHESTER, DT1 2JY	Siting of a temporary mobile dialysis unit
<b>Weymouth &amp; Portland</b>		
<b>WP/20/00104/FUL</b>	WEYMOUTH SEA LIFE PARK, GREENHILL, WEYMOUTH	Erection of Marquee
<b>WP/20/00226/FUL</b>	RNLI WEYMOUTH STATION, NOTHE PARADE, WEYMOUTH, DT4 8TX	Alteration to the boathouse with a 1m extension towards the slipway
<b>WP/20/00649/FUL</b>	SITE E, COODE WAY, PORTLAND	Erection of a petrol filling station and associated works
<b>WP/20/00814/FUL</b>	MOUNT PLEASANT PARK AND RIDE CAR PARK, MERCERY ROAD, WEYMOUTH DT3 3FA	Temporary use of land for the stationing of mobile accommodation units for rough sleepers and associated facilities with subsequent reversion to use of site for park and ride parking.

Source: Dorset Council 2021

## Figure A30 - 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

	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
<b>West Dorset</b>	1	1	4	7	2	1
<b>Weymouth &amp; Portland</b>	0	0	0	6	5	3

Source: Dorset Council 2021

## Figure A31 - COM3: The Retention of Local Community Buildings and Structures

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**Indicator = Number of approved applications for change of use from shops, garages, public houses and community buildings to other non-community uses**

Application Number	Location	Proposal
<b>West Dorset</b>		
WD/D/19/002412	THE READING ROOM, BARTON CLOSE, WEST STAFFORD	Change of use from vacant community reading room/store to 1. no dwelling
<b>Weymouth and Portland</b>		
WP/19/00493/FUL	498 LITTLEMOOR ROAD, WEYMOUTH, DT3 5NY	Alterations and extension to public house to form 3 no. dwellings
WP/19/00988/FUL	24 CASTLETOWN, PORTLAND, DT5 1BD	Conversion of former Public House with Managers accommodation into 6no. flats with one, two and three storey extensions to the rear elevation and external alteration.
WP/19/00750/FUL	2 QUEEN STREET, WEYMOUTH, DT4 7HZ	Change of use from pub/restaurant to hotel

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A32 - 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**

	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21
<b>West Dorset</b>	0	3	4	3	3	9
<b>Weymouth &amp; Portland</b>	1	1	2	2	0	3

Source: Dorset Council 2021

**Figure A33 - 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**

Application Number	Location	Proposal
<b>West Dorset</b>		
WD/D/19/001691	LAND SOUTH OF, MANOR FARM COTTAGES, ACCESS TO HURDLEY MOOR FARM, MIDDLEMARSH	Change of use from Forestry to mixed Forestry, education and leisure/ recreation.
WD/D/20/002601	THE GREAT FIELD, PEVERELL AVENUE EAST, POUNDBURY	Erection of Pavilion with Cafe, Community Space and Offices. Variation of Plans Condition to allow for bin store, removal of office window, addition of kitchen window,

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		addition of solar panels, alterations to doors.
WD/D/19/002947	LAND ADJACENT TO RAILWAY STATION, OFF STATION ROAD, MAIDEN NEWTON, DORCHESTER	Construction of a three metre wide multi-use path between Station Road and the former branchline to Bridport.
WD/D/20/000047	LAND AT GRID REF 360222 91988 NORTH OF ROMAN ROAD, ROMAN ROAD FROM JUNCTION DAIRY KINGSTON, WINTERBOURNE ABBAS	Change of use of farmland for a natural burial ground; form car park; erection of open-sided timber-framed shelter (resubmission)
WD/D/20/000069	LAND PARCELS SOUTH OF 6 TO 12 AND, 103-117 COBHAM DRIVE, CHICKERELL	Formation of 36no. car parking spaces and access footpaths
WD/D/20/000582	HOLWELL VILLAGE HALL, GUNVILLE ROAD, HOLWELL	Change of use from agricultural land to recreational (class D2).
WD/D/20/000782	STICKLAND SCHOOL, SUMMER LANE, EVERSNOT, DORCHESTER, DT2 0JP	Installation of Multi-Ball play equipment
WD/D/20/001350	LYONS GATE CARAVAN PARK, LYONS GATE, DORCHESTER, DT2 7AZ	Use of land for recreation, including woodland walks and children's play, car parking for staff, visitor's overflow car parking, general storage and service yard, ancillary to Lyons Gate Caravan Park and Fishery.
WD/D/20/002427	ST OSMUNDS CHURCH OF ENGLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL, BARNES WAY, DORCHESTER, DT1 2DZ	Replace existing boundary in wire with associated access gates and widening of footpaths.
<b>Weymouth and Portland</b>		
WP/19/00622/FUL	LAND AT PRIORY CORNER, PRIORY ROAD, PORTLAND	Erection of memorial to HMS Foylebank (Amended site and location plan)
WP/20/00602/FUL	ST JOHNS CHURCH, DORCHESTER ROAD, WEYMOUTH	Alterations to car parking areas and pedestrian pathways
WP/19/00920/FUL	LAND AT SEDGE PLACE, GENTIAN WAY & HAREBELL DRIVE, WEYMOUTH	Siting of 3 no. free standing pieces of artwork

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Figure A34 - COM11: Renewable Energy Development

Indicator – Annual energy generation by installed capacity and type

		Capacity (MW) Energy							Capacity (MW) Heat				Total	
		Anaerobic Digestion	EfW	Hydro	Landfill Gas	Onshore Wind	Sewage Gas	Solar PV	Anaerobic Digestion	Biomass	Heat Pumps	Solar Thermal	Total Energy	Total Heat
11/12	WDDC	0.48	-	0.01	-	0.08	-	0.45	-	0.97	0.29	0.18	1.02	1.44
	WPBC	-	-	0.02	-	0.06	-	0.12	-	0.27	0.16	0.03	0.20	0.45
12/13	WDDC	2.78	-	0.01	0.46	0.21	-	11.61	-	2.24	1.31	0.33	15.07	3.88
	WPBC	-	-	0.02	-	0.07	-	1.99	-	0.87	0.25	0.04	2.07	1.16
13/14	WDDC	1.40	-	0.01	0.46	0.20	-	20.87	0.80	5.13	2.26	0.45	24.81	7.70
	WPBC	-	-	0.03	-	0.07	-	7.61	-	0.98	0.46	0.09	8.64	1.53
14/15	WDDC	3.50	-	0.01	-	0.20	-	27.39	2.56	7.36	2.59	0.55	31.10	13.06
	WPBC	-	-	0.03	-	0.07	-	7.77	-	1.27	0.38	0.08	7.87	1.73
15/16	WDDC	7.41	-	0.01	0.45	0.24	-	39.91	-	8.37	3.05	0.54	48.02	3.59
	WPBC	-	-	0.03	-	0.06	-	3.23	-	0.84	0.42	0.07	3.32	1.33

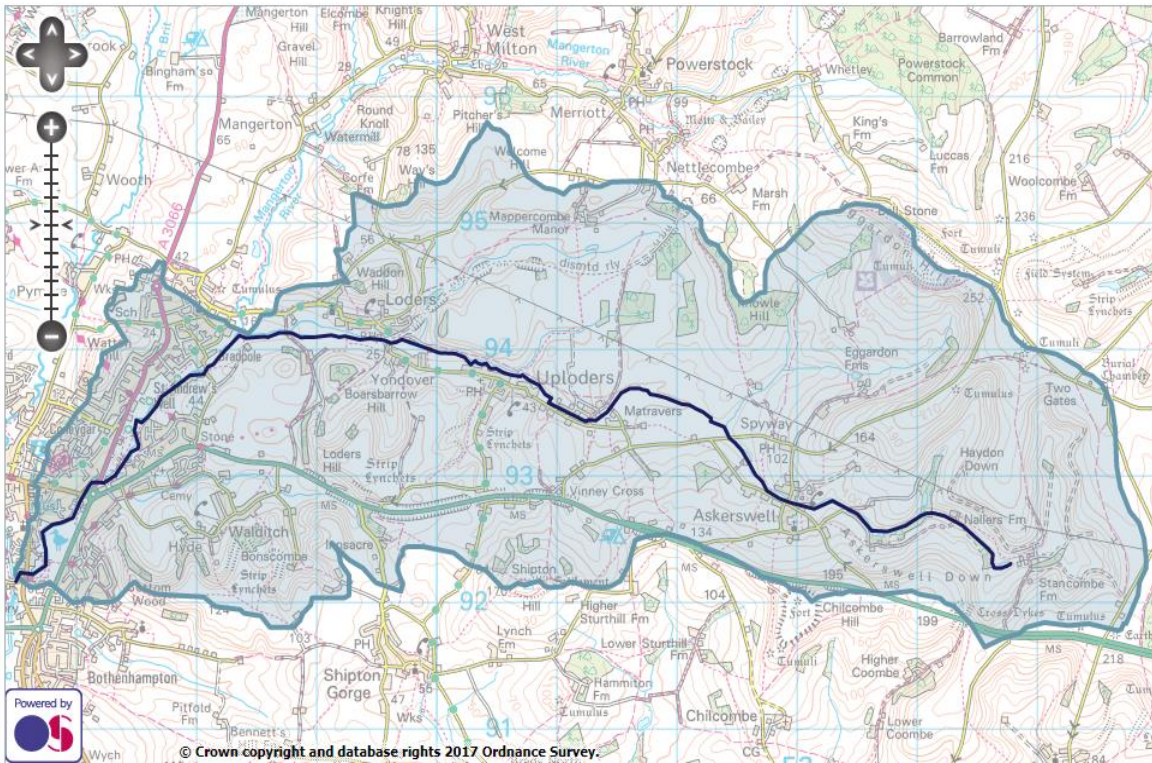
Source: Dorset County Council 2016 (no new data available)

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Figure A35 – Sustainability Appraisal (Indicator – Water Quality Bridport Catchment)

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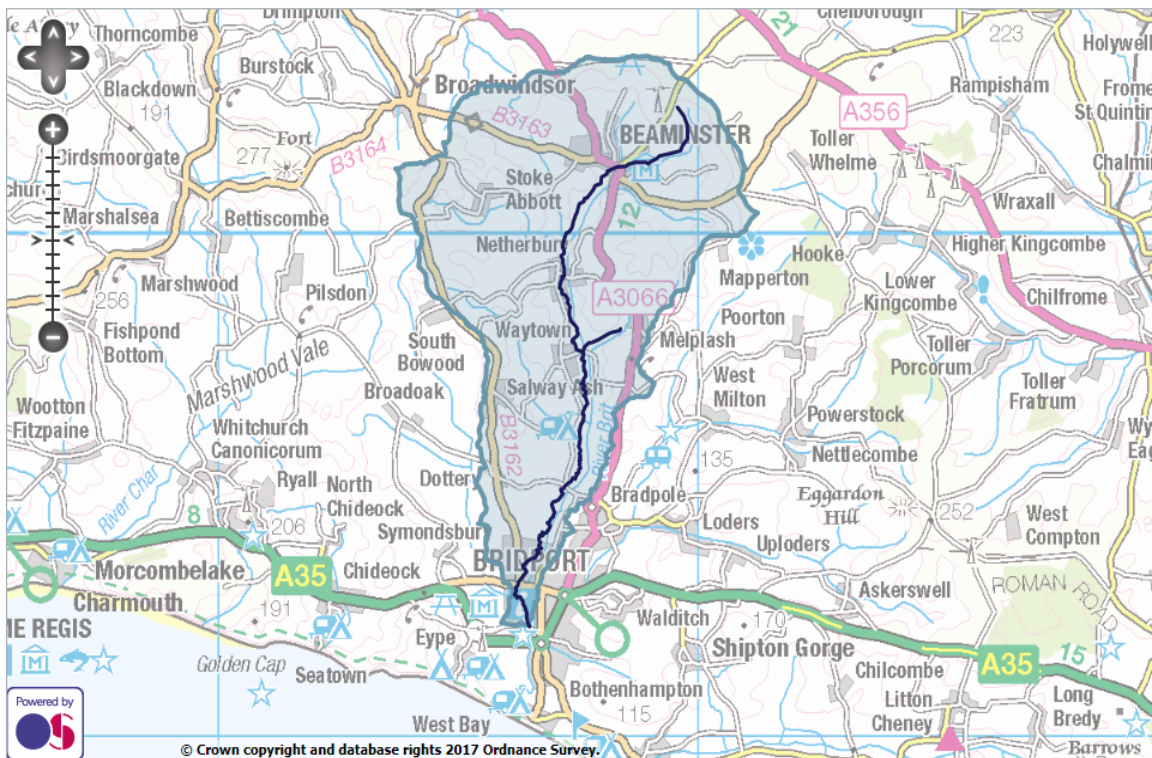
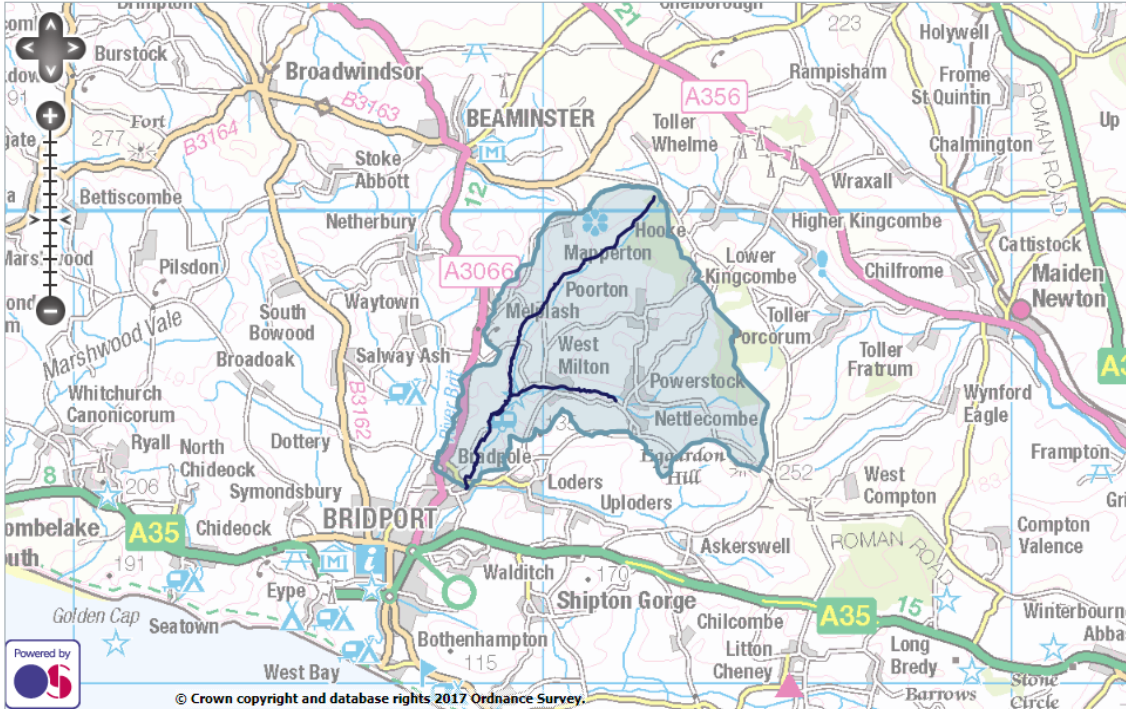
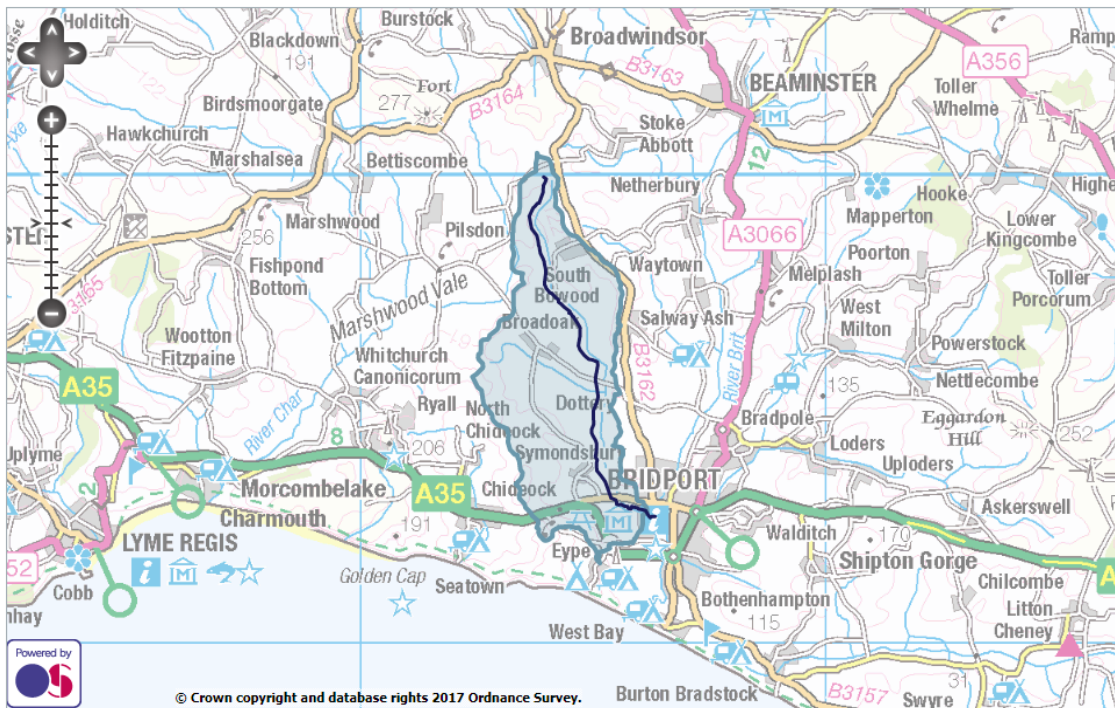


Figure A36 – Sustainability Appraisal (Indicator – Water Quality Bridport Catchment)

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Source: Environment Agency



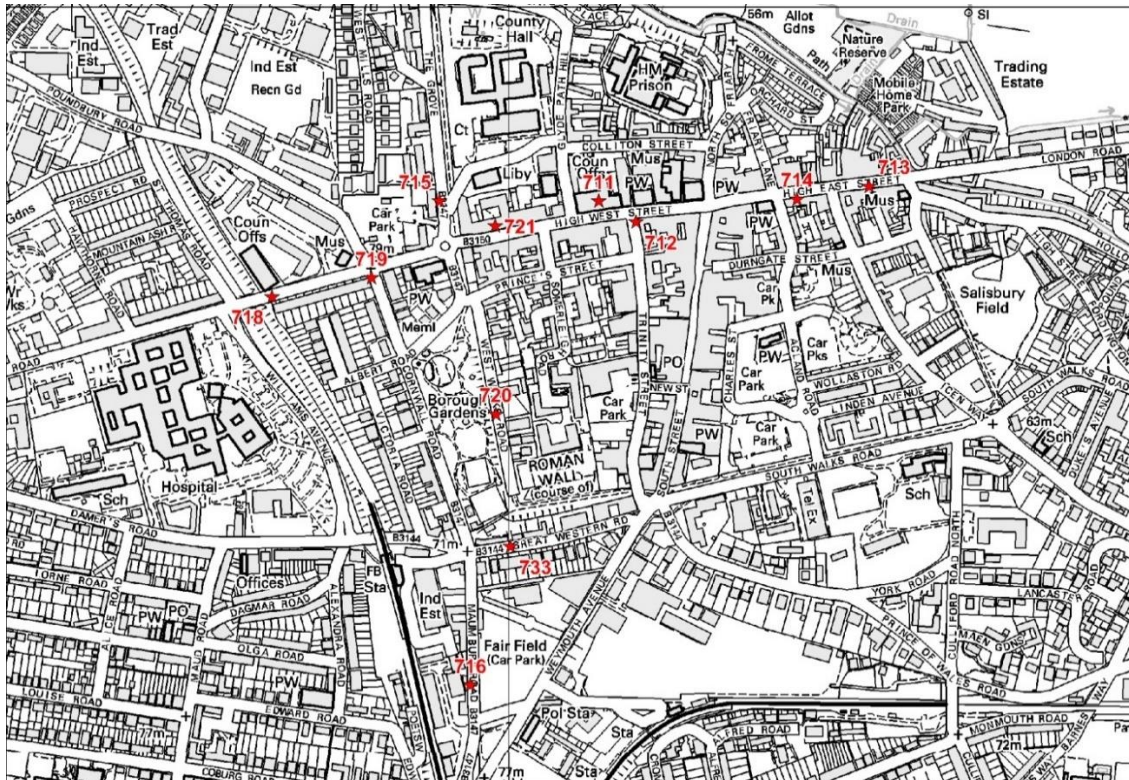
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Figure A37 – Sustainability Appraisal (Indicator – Air Quality) – Chideock



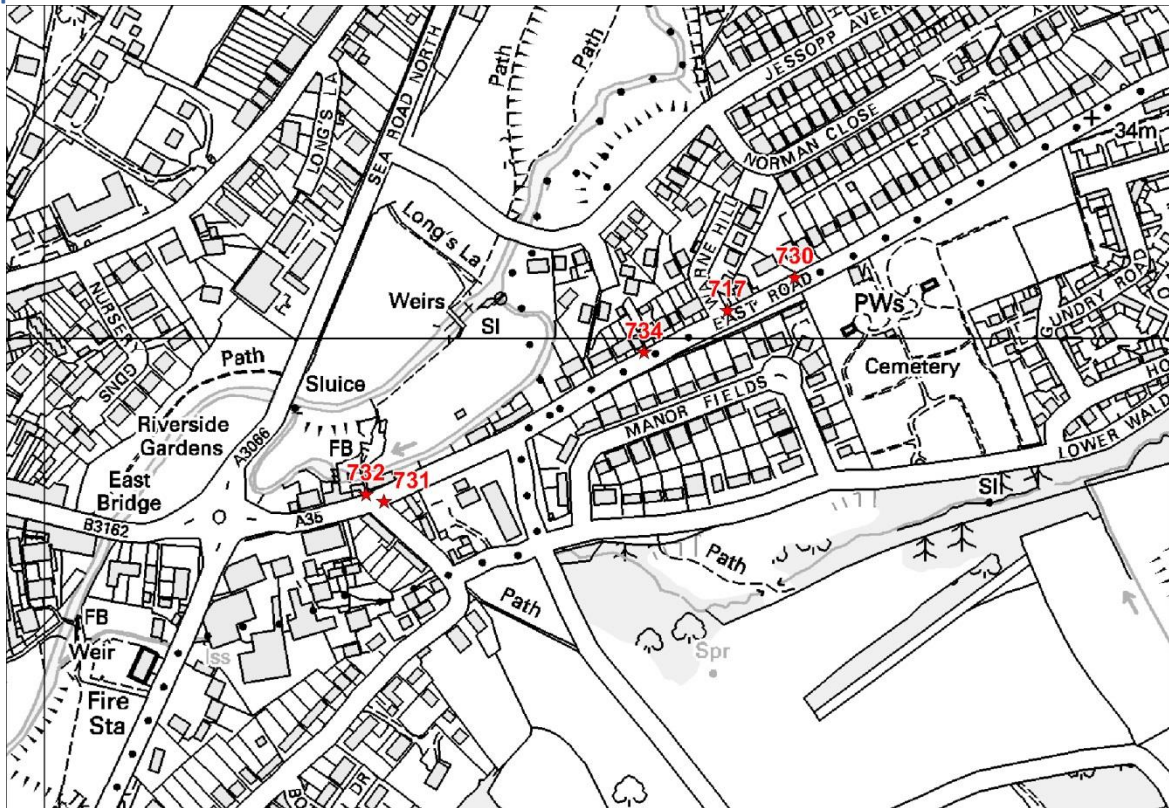
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Figure A38 – Sustainability Appraisal (Indicator – Air Quality)  
Bridport



Source: WDDC - Air Quality Annual Status Report (2018)