



## Planning policy context

## **Local Development Framework**

Government legislation in the form of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act (2004) has introduced a requirement for Local Planning Authorities to produce a Local Development Framework (LDF). The LDF is a statutory development framework for the development and use of land in the Borough up to 2026. Bury's LDF will comprise a portfolio or folder of different documents and, once complete, will replace the current development plan - the Bury Unitary Development Plan (UDP).

The main documents within Bury's LDF will be the Core Strategy and the Site Allocations.

The Core Strategy will be a key document at the heart of Bury's LDF. It will set out the long-term vision for the future of the Borough and will contain strategic policies that are required to deliver that vision.

Once finalised, the Core Strategy will comprise a series of Spatial Policies that will provide the broad framework for the distribution of new development in the Borough. In addition, it will also include a limited number of Development Management Policies that will set out the more specific criteria that will be considered in determining specific development proposals.

The Core Strategy has so far advanced through the 'Issues and Options' and 'Preferred Options' stages and is scheduled to progress onto the 'Publication' version in Autumn 2009 with the subsequent Submission to the Secretary of State in early 2010. The Core Strategy will be adopted following an independent examination.

Where the delivery of the Core Strategy requires the identification of specific sites for particular uses, these will be set out within the Site Allocations document. This document is scheduled for adoption in 2011.

Both the Core Strategy and the Site Allocations documents will draw on the outcomes of this 'Bury but Better' masterplan report and its recommendations and proposals for each of Bury's town centre 'quarters'.



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