

POLICY GN2

UNDER THE PROPOSALS AND POLICIES OF THIS LOCAL PLAN, PLANNING PERMISSION WILL NORMALLY BE GRANTED FOR DEVELOPMENT PROVIDED IT:

- A. IS OF A TYPE, SCALE AND DESIGN IN KEEPING WITH THE LOCALITY AND DOES NOT DETRACT FROM ITS AMENITIES**
- B. HAS SATISFACTORY MEANS OF ACCESS AND HAS SUFFICIENT PARKING FACILITIES**
- C. WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ROAD NETWORK**
- D. CAN BE PROVIDED WITH THE NECESSARY INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SERVICES AND BE SERVED BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT WHERE APPROPRIATE**
- E. WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT A CONSERVATION AREA OR A BUILDING LISTED AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL OR HISTORIC INTEREST AND THEIR SETTING**
- F. WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT SITES OF NATURE CONSERVATION, GEOLOGICAL OR ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPORTANCE OR THE SETTINGS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES.**
- G. WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT A SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREA.**
- H. HAS FULL REGARD TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF AGRICULTURE AND THE NEED TO PROTECT THE BEST AND MOST VERSATILE AGRICULTURAL LAND FROM DEVELOPMENT WHICH IS IRREVERSIBLE**

2.3 This policy sets out criteria which seek to ensure that new development is compatible with the Council's aim of conserving and enhancing the environment of the District. In particular, new development should:

- (a) conform to accepted safety standards, particularly in relation to the use of motor vehicles
- (b) respect the existing character of the locality, especially where this has been formally recognised by the designation of conservation areas, listed buildings or sites for nature conservation, or special landscape areas.
- (c) minimise the loss of the best and most versatile agricultural land, and
- (d) avoid imposing an undue strain on local infrastructure and public services.

However, when applying this policy the Council will also seek to protect sites of local nature conservation importance, which are not officially designated.
