

HAMLETS AND OPEN COUNTRYSIDE

POLICY EM16

PLANNING PERMISSION WILL NOT NORMALLY BE GRANTED FOR BUSINESS AND GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE HAMLETS AND OPEN COUNTRYSIDE. EXCEPTIONS MAY INCLUDE PROPOSALS FOR SMALL SCALE DEVELOPMENT RELATED TO THE RE-USE OF BUILDINGS UNDER THE RELEVANT POLICIES OF THIS LOCAL PLAN.

- 5.44 The District Council is concerned to ensure that the County Structure Plan policy of severely restricting development in open countryside is maintained. Hamlets are small settlements described and listed in Para 4.95.
- 5.45 The District Council are keen to promote the use of buildings in the countryside for employment purposes to assist the economy of these areas. Proposals for conversion should comply with the policies in this Local Plan while ensuring that the converted building retains its essential character both in building design and site layout.
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