

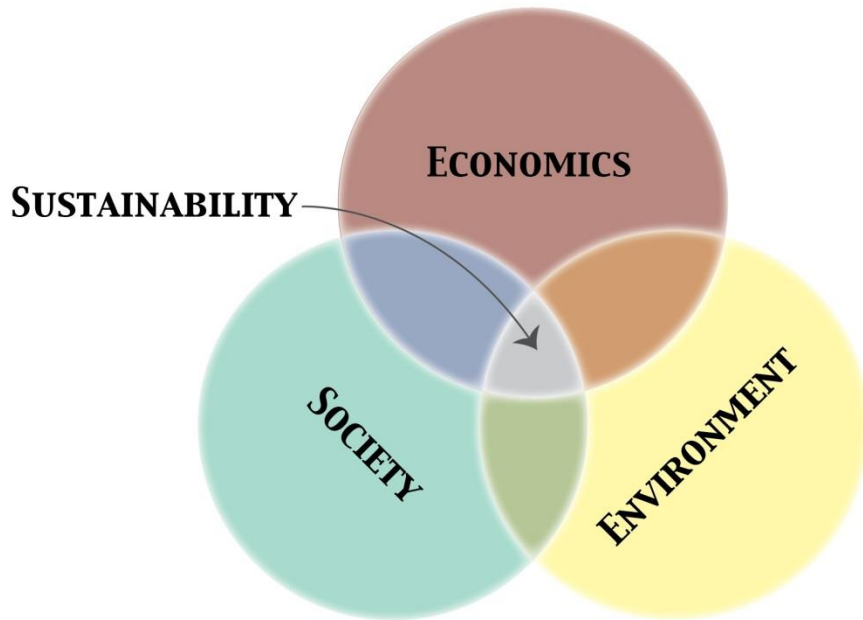
The Local Plan Process

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What is Sustainable Development?



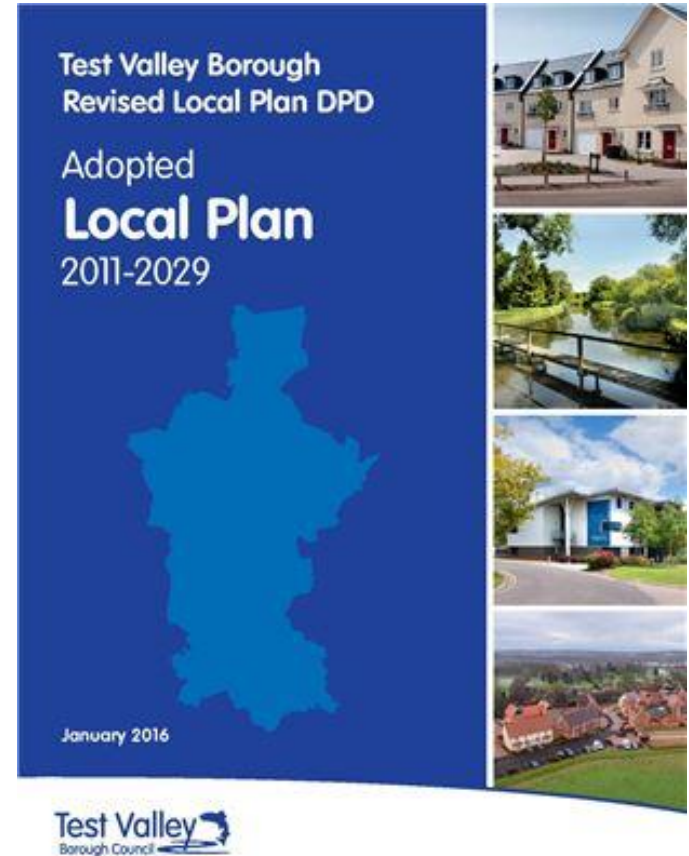
“...meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs”

Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2016

Statutory land use planning document:-

- Covers a 20 year period
- Includes criteria based policies which are used for planning applications
- Identify land for new development
- Lists planning constraints and what infrastructure is needed

The Local Plan sets out what development is expected and what Infrastructure the developer has to provide



What do we use to produce the Local Plan?

National Planning Policy Framework

Sets out the Government's planning policies for England and must be taken into account when preparing local plans and when making planning decisions

Evidence

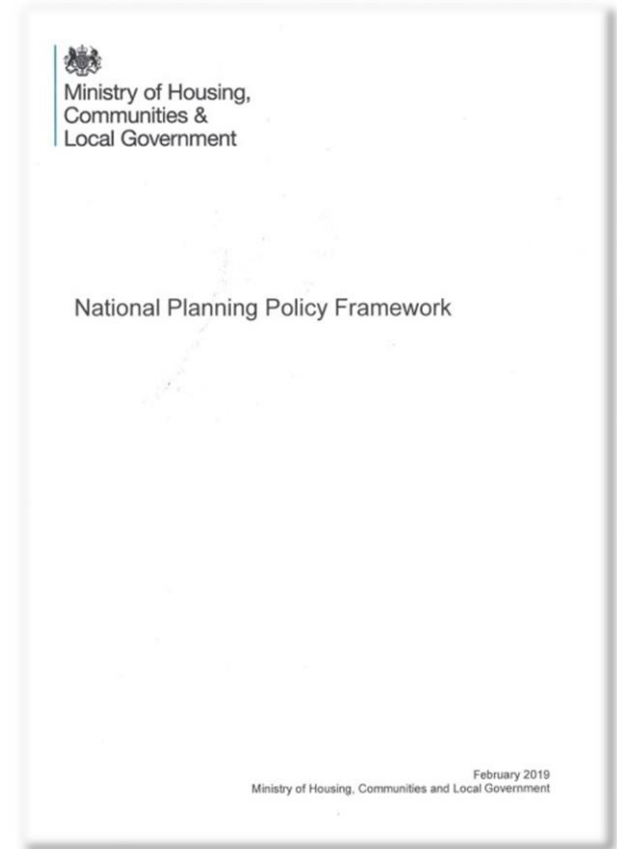
Research which helps guide decisions. This could be from consultants or statutory consultees (e.g. Environment Agency)

Consultation

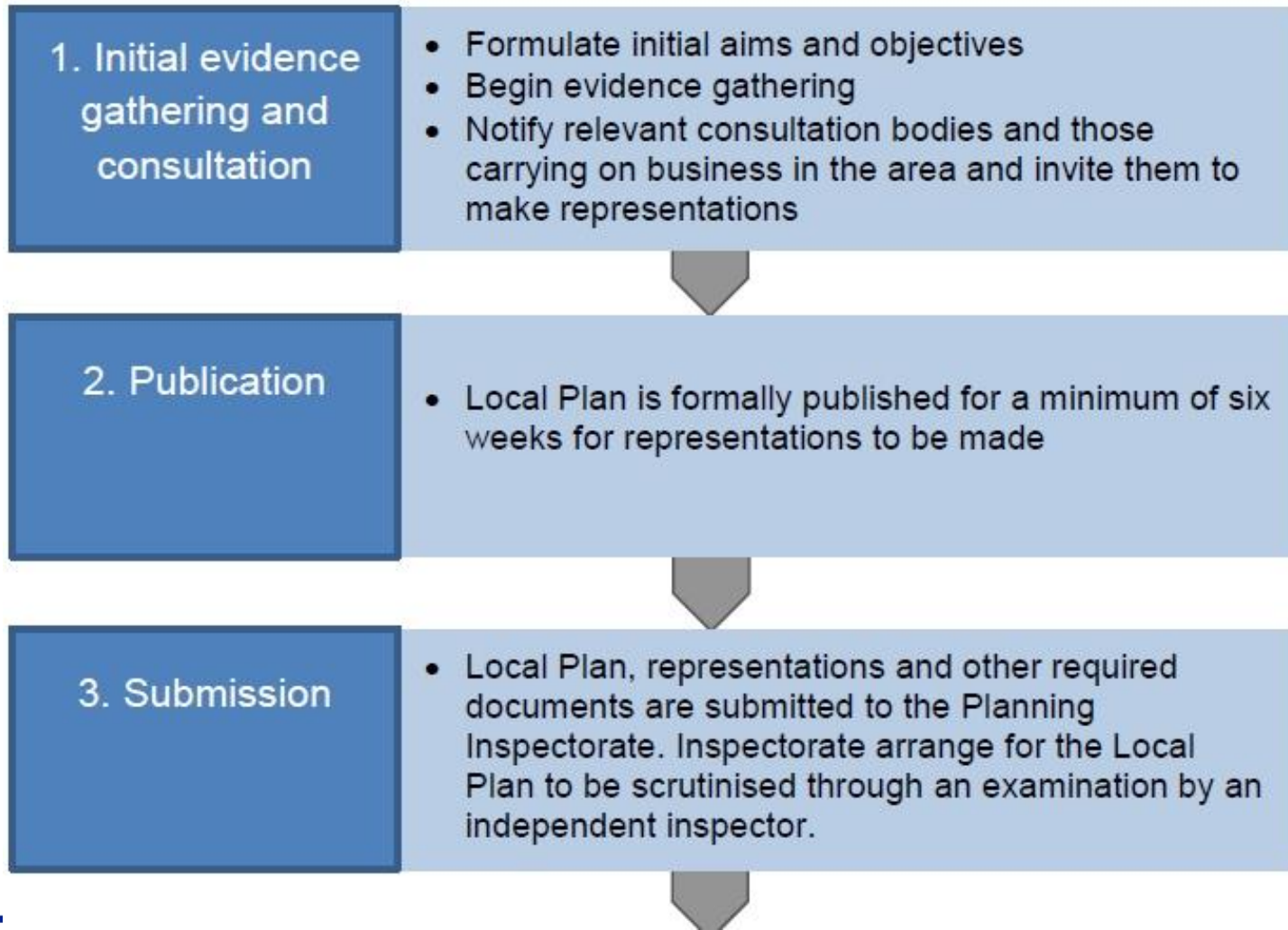
Engagement with public, parish council, landowners, Developers, statutory consultees etc

Sustainability Appraisal (SA)

This is a tool for appraising policies to ensure they reflect sustainable development principles (i.e. social, environmental and economic).



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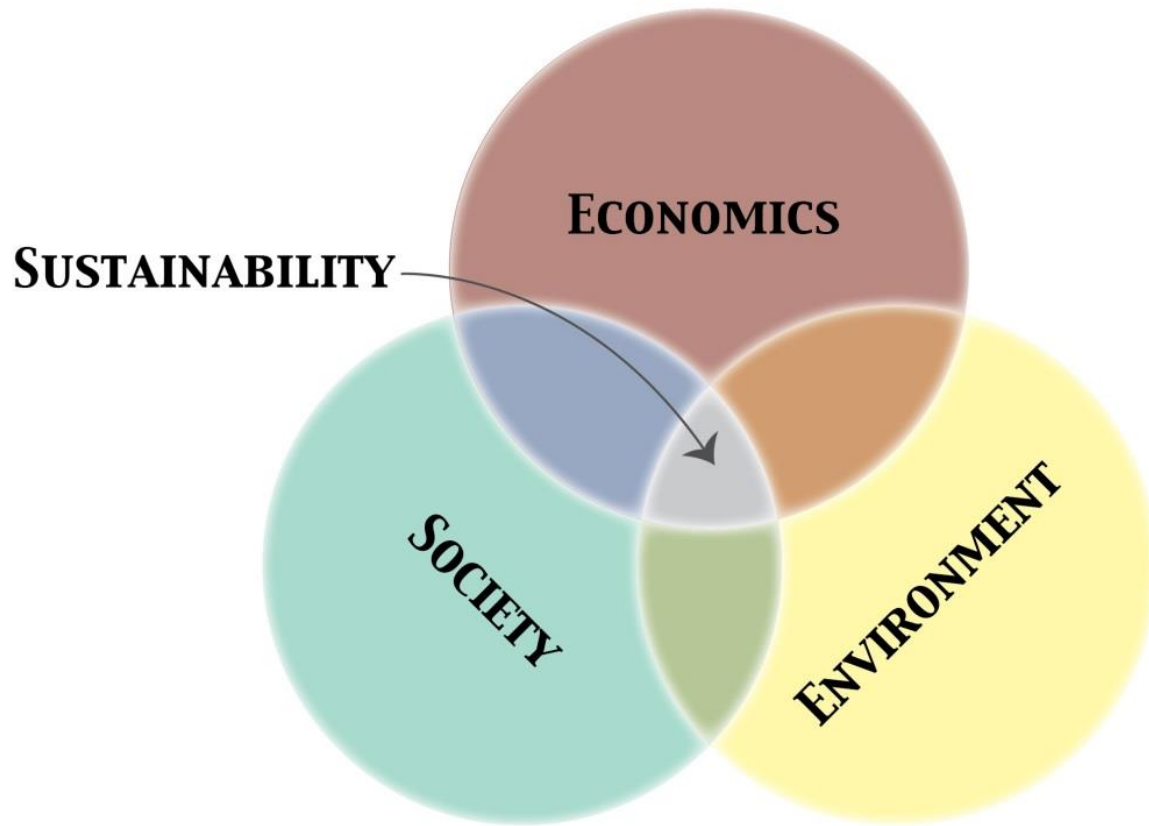
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4. Found sound

- Inspector writes a report setting out whether the Local Plan is sound and satisfies legal requirements. If the Local Plan is not sound, the local planning authority can ask the inspector to recommend modifications to make it sound.

5. Adoption

- If the inspector recommends that the Local Plan may be adopted, the local planning authority may formally adopt it (usually by a vote in full Council). Once adopted, it is part of the development plan for the local area.



So what does the Local Plan help deliver (economic).....



Jobs

Highway
improvements

Skills and Training



So what does the Local Plan help deliver (social).....



Sports Ground and Pavilion

Schools /Health

Affordable Housing

Community Halls



So what does the Local Plan help deliver (environment).....



Natural and built environment:-

Nature reserves

Open Spaces

Improvements to public areas

