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#### 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Three significant sites at Owlthorpe are to be brought forward for development, creating an exciting opportunity to develop the Owlthorpe neighbourhood. Although the scope of the brief only includes the current housing development opportunities (known as sites C, D and E see Fig 2), other sites with medium to long term development potential are also referred to.
- 1.2 This Brief responds to the proposal to sell the sites, identified for housing and necessary for completing the Owlthorpe township. The brief particularly aims to:
  - Promote high quality and sustainable development that contributes positively to the local neighbourhood;
  - Enable a co-ordinated and comprehensive approach to the future uses of the site;
  - Enable commercially viable development; and to
  - Optimise the value of the setting and site features, such as its distinctive landscape and topography.
- 1.3 This Brief has been through a 6 week public consultation and has been amended following the consultation. The Planning and Highways Area Committee have approved this Brief.
- 1.4 The Brief has been prepared in good faith by Council officers as part of the Local Growth Fund programme and represents officer views and current good practice. A number of site-specific requirements are set out here; however, it should be made clear that any development decisions should be made in full understanding of the relevant policy and the supporting documents.

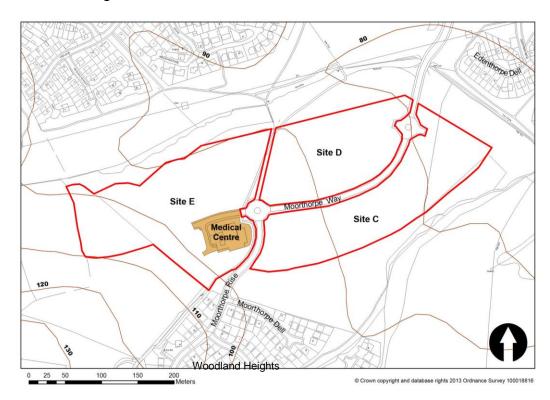
## 2. VISION

- 2.1 The Core Strategy vision for Sheffield is as a city that will 'have attractive sustainable neighbourhoods where people are happy to live, offering everyone a range of facilities and services' and 'to respect the global environment, and prize, protect and enhance its natural environment and distinctive heritage' whilst promoting 'high quality buildings and spaces.'
- 2.2 The new development at Owlthorpe should reflect the distinctive green character of the setting and utilise the site's natural assets.

#### 3. SITE CONTEXT

#### 3.1 Location

- 3.1.1 Owlthorpe is located to the south east of Sheffield, approximately 5 miles from the city centre. The sites are currently undeveloped and are located in a semi-rural setting but are relatively easily accessible by the bus and tram network.
- 3.1.2 The sites are also close to facilities including Drakehouse Retail Park and Crystal Peaks shopping centre. A new Asda store opened in March 2014 on Beighton Road East.





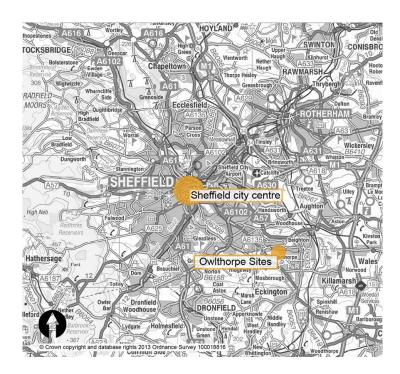


Fig.1 City context plan (above) and Fig. 2 Site plan (left)

## 3.2 Site Description

- 3.2.1 The total developable area of the three sites is approximately 7.13 hectares. However, the disposal area may be larger in order to accommodate a Sustainable Urban Drainage System (SUDS) and a green network around the site.
- 3.2.2 The sites slope towards the north east, sloping down towards the Ochre Dyke. Along the north of sites D and E there is ancient woodland. There is also a band of mature woodland running along the south east edge of site C. There are a number of self-set trees scattered across the sites (see Fig. 3, Aerial Photo).
- 3.2.3 Site E includes a medical centre which is to be retained and will not form part of the disposal boundary. The medical centre site is approximately 0.3 hectares and is held on a long lease. The boundaries shown originate from the Draft Sheffield Local Plan (see Fig. 4).
- 3.2.4 Vehicle access is via Moorthorpe Way, a relatively new road which serves the neighbouring Woodland Heights development (shown on Fig. 2). Moorthorpe Way is overdesigned for its current function, particularly around the two roundabouts. There are several paths running through and around the site (see Fig. 9, Existing Movement Plan).
- 3.2.5 The three housing sites are known as site C, site D and site E. These names are historic and come from the original Owlthorpe Township proposal<sup>1</sup>. See Fig 15.
- 3.2.6 The sites need to be considered as a whole to ensure comprehensive development. Due to their total size, it is likely that development will be phased. Careful consideration is required regarding the delivery of infrastructure such as utilities, play facilities, and drainage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Sites A and B were developed in the 1980s (to form the Woodland Heights estate), before government guidance in Planning Policy Guidance Note PPG3 (Housing) led the City Council to suspend approvals for new greenfield housing development until the most appropriate means to meet the City's future housing needs had been identified using increased brownfield capacity in a revised development plan for the city.



Fig. 3 Aerial Photograph

#### 4. PLANNING CONTEXT

## 4.1 National Planning Policy

- 4.1.1 The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) sets out the Government's planning policies, must be taken into account in the preparation of Local and Neighbourhood Plans and is a material consideration in planning decisions. It maintains that planning applications must be in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.
- 4.1.2 The NPPF does not change the legal status of the development plan. It states that decisions will still be made in accordance with the Local Plan unless material considerations (including the NPPF) dictate otherwise. That is, the role of existing adopted planning policy is affirmed by the NPPF (Paragraph 215).

#### 4.2 Sheffield Local Plan (SLP)

- 4.2.1 The Sheffield Local Plan currently comprises:
  - Core Strategy (adopted March 2009)
  - 'saved' policies in the Unitary Development Plan (adopted March 1998)
  - Unitary Development Plan Proposals Map
- 4.2.2 The latest versions of Local Plan City Policies and Sites and Proposals Map (the Pre-Submission drafts) were the subject of public consultation in summer 2013. Owlthorpe C, D and E are allocated sites for housing.
- 4.2.3 The boundaries follow features on the ground such as the edge of the woodland or established paths. Sites D and E were constrained along their northern boundaries by the Sage report's recommendation that a 60 m easement from high voltage power lines should be provided (for residential development). However, the 60 m easement has not been adopted by Government and the National Grid requires a 15 m easement either side (a total of 30 m).
- 4.2.4 The pre-submission version of the City Policies and Sites, 2013, proposes the following conditions on the development of the Owlthorpe housing site:

- Protection of green framework of open space at Owlthorpe, including areas of nature conservation interest that form part of the Council's environmental improvement programme for the area
- Development of a convenience shop, unless it can be demonstrated that it would be unviable
- Incorporation of proposed walking route through the area
- Protection of any features of nature conservation value identified in ecological surveys
- 4.2.5 Although the sites are allocated for housing, they are greenfield. The Pre-submission City Policies and Sites document justifies the development for the following reasons:
  - Development will help enable the completion of the partly finished Owlthorpe township, in accordance with Core Strategy policy CS24c (which permits development on greenfield land at Owlthorpe as an exception to the policy which otherwise prioritises previously developed sites)
  - Development would help to improve the quality and use of adjacent open space and the wider green framework and increase the prospects for developing a neighbourhood focal point, including a local shop, and other facilities
  - The sites are close to the high-frequency tram service
  - Few other suitable opportunities are likely for housing development of this scale in the area
  - The environmental strategy for this area continues to be to integrate a bio diverse, eco-friendly landscape into all existing
    and future communities and conserve and enhance the local landscape for the benefit of people and wildlife
- 4.2.6 Required uses for the sites are housing (C3) or residential institutions (C2).
- 4.2.7 The Draft Local Plan and City Policies and Sites South East Urban Area and Mosborough Background Report includes information on the sites and can be accessed via the following link: <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan/core-strategy">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan/core-strategy</a>.
- 4.2.8 In December 2013, however, the Council took the decision to not formally submit the City Policies and Sites document and Proposals Map to the Government for public examination. This was in response to comments received on the Pre-Submission documents, as well as discussions with the Planning Inspectorate on future housing requirements and land supply. Instead, the Council has decided to start work immediately on a new Local Plan. This will provide an opportunity to review the overall spatial strategy and make changes to more detailed designations and allocations. Rather than formally withdrawing them, the City Policies and Sites document and Pre Submission Proposals Map will now be incorporated into the new Local Plan. The Council consulted on the Sheffield Plan Citywide Options between November 2015 and January 2016.
- 4.2.9 Until the new Local Plan is adopted, Development Management decisions will continue to use the Core Strategy, UDP, Pre Submission Draft City Policies and Sites and the Proposals Map as appropriate.

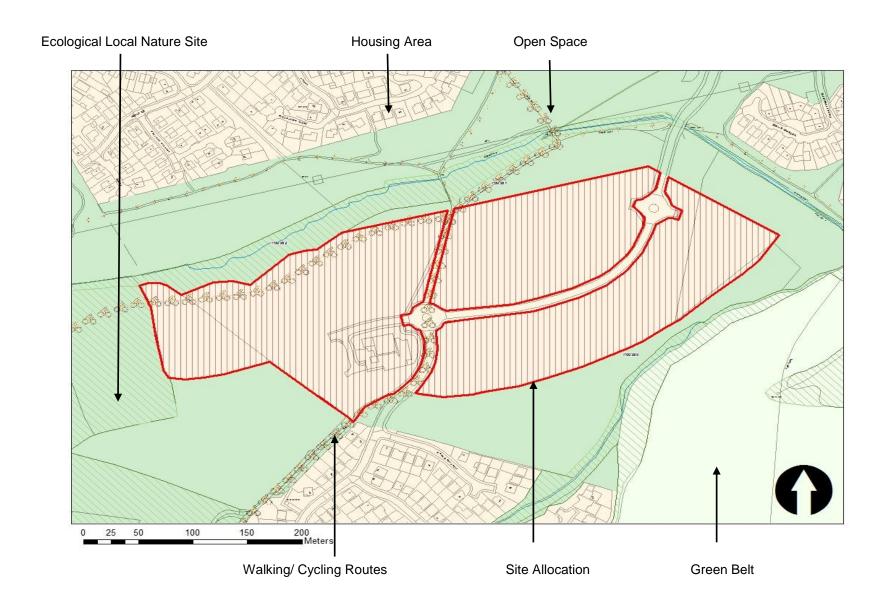


Fig. 4 Sheffield Local Plan Draft Proposals Map Pre-submission Version, 2013

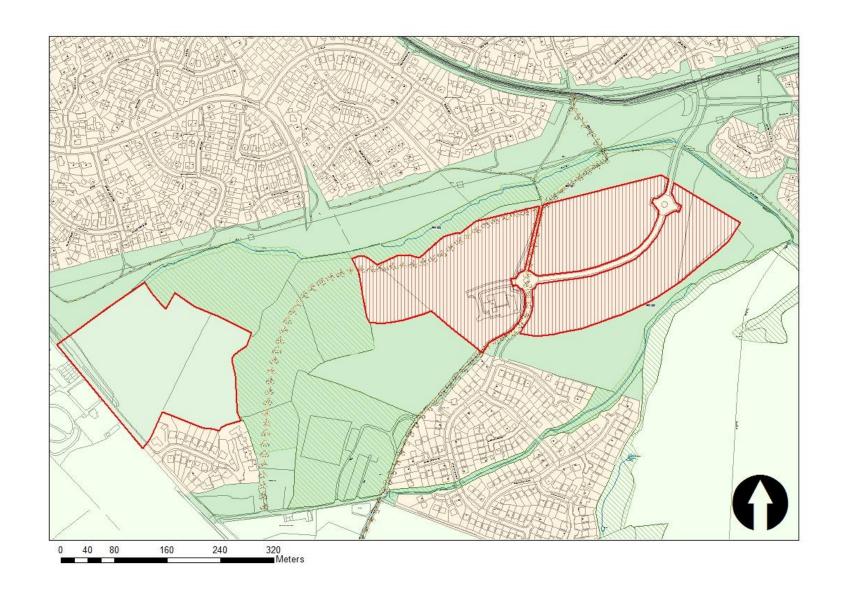


Fig. 5 Sheffield Local Plan Draft Proposals Map Pre-submission Version (2013) showing Site F

## 4.3 Unitary Development Plan (UDP)

- 4.3.1 Sites C, D and E were predominantly allocated as housing in the UDP.
- 4.3.2 The UDP also shows a new Local Shopping Centre. This was to reflect the vision at the time to locate some retail within the development. The triangle of blue shown on the map is to the west of the site developed for the medical centre. The shape, size and location of the designation do not reflect any actual features or development proposals on the ground.
- 4.3.3 The UDP Proposals Map (Fig. 6) also shows a site to the west of the development sites covered by this brief (sometimes referred to as Site F or Moor Valley). This site was allocated for housing in the UDP, is shown as Countryside Area: Non Green Belt on the Draft Local Plan Proposals Map (see Fig. 5) and will be reviewed again for the Draft Sheffield Plan due to be published for consultation in 2018.
- 4.3.4 The policies relevant to this area can be viewed on the Council's website at <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/unitary-development-plan">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development-plan</a>.
- 4.3.5 However, the UDP Proposals Map in this case carries limited weight as it does not wholly comply with the Core Strategy. A list of superseded UDP policies is available here: <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/unitary-development-plan">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/unitary-development-plan</a>.

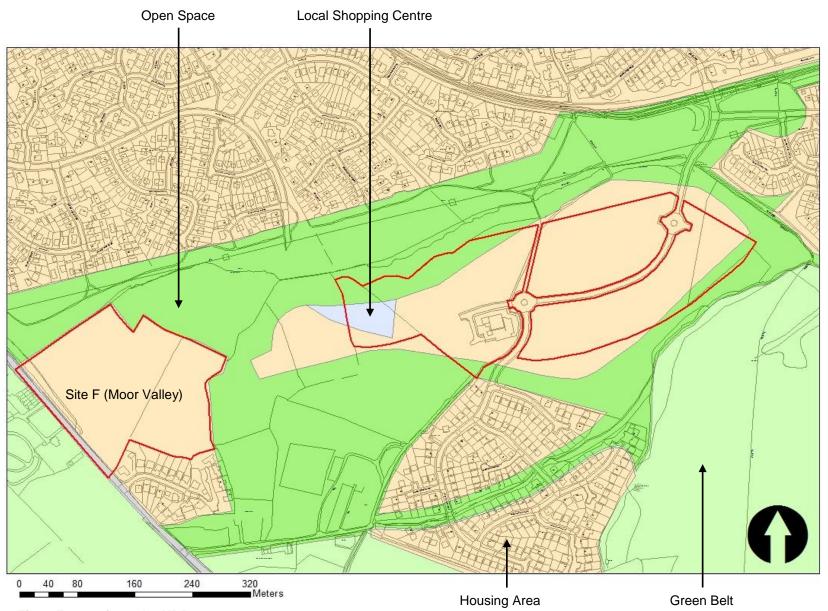


Fig. 6 Extract from the UDP, 1998 (the 4 red line boundaries have been added for the purpose of comparing the UDP map with the draft Local Plan map)

## 4.4 Developable Area

- 4.4.1 In total, around 9.36 hectares were shown within the Housing Area in the UDP. This figure excludes the local shopping centre area shown in blue but includes the medical centre. It also includes Moorthorpe Way whereas the 7.13 hectares of developable land shown as housing allocations in the Draft Sheffield Local Plan excludes the road. If the Draft SLP calculation included the road as the UDP calculation does, the comparable figure would be approximately 8.5 hectares (again including the medical centre).
- 4.4.2 The UDP shows approximately 0.86 hectare more developable land for housing than the Draft Sheffield Local Plan. This adds weight to an argument in favour of increasing the amount of land available for development (compared with that shown in the Draft Local Plan). The most obvious site to extend slightly would be site C (illustrated in Fig. 18) especially as this was shown in the UDP Proposals Map (see Fig. 6). Extension would be constrained by the planting that has taken place along the boundary of the Woodland Heights development.

Site	Size (hectares)	
Draft Sheffield Local Plan sites C, D and E (which excludes Moorthorpe Way)	7.13	Excluding medical centre
Draft Sheffield Local Plan sites C, D and E plus Moorthorpe Way	8.2	Excluding medical centre
UDP Housing area (including Moorthorpe Way)	9.06	Excluding medical centre and local shopping centre
Assumed area of medical centre and access/parking	0.3	

Fig. 7 Summary of Site Areas

#### 5 PLANNING REQUIREMENTS

- 5.0.1 All of the standard planning requirements apply to this site. This section of the Brief draws out the site specific requirements and issues that need to be addressed. The documents required for the submission of a planning application are listed in Appendix 3.
- 5.0.2 The policy table in Appendix 4 identifies the most relevant policies.

## 5.1 **Housing**

#### **Density and Mix**

- 5.1.1 CS41 encourages a mix of housing types, prices, sizes and tenures. In accessible locations such as Owlthorpe, no more than 50% of the homes may be of a single house type (defined as one with the same design or same number of bedrooms and of the same design or generally similar characteristics).
- 5.1.2 CS26 recommends a density range for the Owlthorpe sites is 40 to 60 dwellings per hectare (dph) because they are within 800 metres of a tram stop. This would result in a range from 257 to 385 dwellings. Densities outside this range (in this case, lower density) are permitted where the development achieves good design or protects a sensitive area or where development is restricted due to site constraints such as the existing landscape or topography for example. Family housing (which is likely to be the dominant house type due to local need and demand) also reduces rather than increases density. So, given the need for family housing and the existing landscape and topographical constraints on the site, the final figure is likely to be at the lower end of this range or possibly below the 257 figure. The illustrative masterplan (Fig. 20) shows densities of 30 40 dwellings per hectare.
  - Fig. 8 gives a breakdown of the individual site areas and approximate site capacities.

Site Name	Proposals Map Reference	Size (hectares)	Estimated Capacity (taken from the SHLAA <sup>2</sup> )	Estimated capacity using a density range of 40 – 60 dwellings per hectare (calculated using 90% of the site in order to accommodate infrastructure)
Site C	P00380	2.60	94	94 - 140
Site D	P00381	1.98	71	71 - 107
Site E	P00382	3.35 (around 2.55 hectares is developable for housing <sup>3</sup> )	92	92 - 138

Fig. 8 Site Areas and Capacity

#### Affordable Housing

- 5.1.3 Core Strategy policy CS40 seeks to deliver affordable housing across the city where practicable and financially viable. The CIL and Planning Obligations SPD contains the Affordable Housing requirement. Owlthorpe is in the South East Area, in which the expected developer contribution is 10%.
- 5.1.4 See Appendix 4 for further guidance.
- 5.1.5 Information on producing Affordable Housing Statements is available at: https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planningdevelopment/planning-permission-advice/local-planning-guidance/affordable-housing
- 5.1.6 The current suggested affordable housing mix on the site is for 40% 4 bed homes and 60% 2 bed homes, based on available evidence. This relates to the affordable housing element of the development only. Large properties are in short supply across the city and 2 bed homes are becoming more popular as a result of welfare reform. However, this suggested mix of affordable homes is flexible and demand is changing all the time especially with the impact of welfare reform. Evidence at the time of a planning application may point to a different mix and the appropriate mix will be discussed and agreed with registered providers at that time.
- 5.1.7 Affordable Housing is defined as 'Social rented, affordable rented and intermediate housing, provided to eligible households

SHLAA – Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment
 This allows for the medical centre and children's play facility. Area is approximate.

whose needs are not met by the market. Eligibility is determined with regard to local incomes and local house prices. Affordable housing should include provisions to remain at an affordable price for future eligible households or for the subsidy to be recycled for alternative affordable housing provision'.

## **Mobility Housing**

As a result of the Government's Housing Standards Review; the provision of 25% Mobility Homes under UDP Policy H17 is no longer required from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015.

## 5.2 Movement, Transport and Highways

## Wider Strategic Networks

- 5.2.1 One of the location's assets is the proximity of the tram network. There is a tram stop on Donetsk Way providing frequent access to Sheffield City Centre and Crystal Peaks. There is, however, scope to improve access to the site and surrounding area by bus.
- 5.2.2 Fig. 9 shows the existing vehicular and pedestrian movement and access around and through the site.

#### Vehicular Access

5.2.3 Access to the sites is via Moorthorpe Gate and then Moorthorpe Way. This road was created to access the whole of the new Owlthorpe development but currently only serves Woodland Heights and illustrates the unrealised intention to complete the development. The roundabouts in particular are over-designed.

#### Pedestrian Access

5.2.4 There is a well-used network of paths on and around the site, including the Owlthorpe Heritage and Nature Trail. See Fig 18 Opportunities and Constraints, and Fig. 9 Existing Movement Plan. The site's topography results in a substantial uphill walk (from the tram) to the top part of the site and the medical centre; especially difficult for people with mobility problems.

#### Link Road

- 5.2.5 The original plans for the area proposed the completion of the Moorthorpe Way in order to enhance local accessibility for residents by road and foot while increasing the likelihood of new local facilities being provided. It is no longer proposed to provide further facilities within site E, although it is anticipated that the medical centre will remain.
- 5.2.6 In 2013, Arup was commissioned to undertake a highways feasibility study. It explores options for achieving a second access, investigates junction capacities and trip generation. Developers should note that the Arup report is already over 4 years old and was restricted in its remit so additional highway assessment will likely be required.
- 5.2.7 It is essential that a second access is provided; however this could possibly be a route used for vehicular access only, in emergencies or when access is restricted due to works within the highway. The suitability of an emergency route would depend on the outcome of updated evidence. Furthermore, should an opportunity to provide additional access via Moorthorpe Rise and or other routes occur, then this would be welcomed. It is not desirable or good practice for so many homes to be served by only one adopted vehicular route.

## Highway Design

- 5.2.8 The South Yorkshire Residential Design Guide (SYRDG) provides technical requirements in the highway. The SYRDG can be viewed on the following link: <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/building-for-life">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/building-for-life</a>.
- 5.2.9 The whole site is in an accessible location within easy reach of high frequency bus and tram facilities and proposals should reflect this. Parking standards are contained in Appendix 4.
- 5.2.10 Development should provide an inclusively designed environment that is accessible to all, with clearly defined pedestrian and cycle routes which integrate with the surrounding facilities and public transport.
- 5.2.11 Applications for residential developments exceeding 80 dwellings require a Transport Assessment. Proposals below this figure are required to submit a Transport Statement. The NPPF states that development should only be prevented or refused on transport grounds where the residual cumulative impacts of development are severe.
- 5.2.12 There are known areas of traffic congestion at peak times on and around the sites. These will be dealt with in more detail through the planning application process, using tools such as the Transport Assessments. Solutions and mitigation against further problems will be explored in detail and could include altering the signals at the junction of Donetsk Way/Moorthorpe Gate.

5.2.13 The development should be designed and promoted as a 20 mph zone. This would be extended to include surrounding roads linking into the development. It is unlikely that traditional traffic calming would be implemented along Moorthorpe Way. Alternative means of speed reduction will be promoted (such as the use of street trees and pinch points).

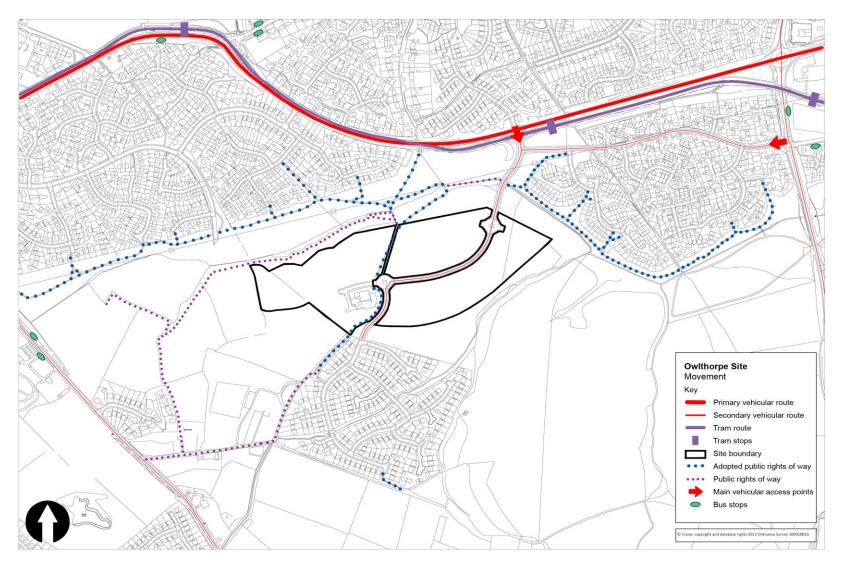


Fig. 9 Existing Movement Plan

## 5.3 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

5.3.1 CIL was introduced in July 2015, and to a large degree now replaces Section 106 agreements. The chargeable rate at Owlthorpe is £30 per m<sup>2</sup> of residential development. See Appendix 4 for further information.

## 5.4 Open Space

- 5.4.1 Open space provision as a result of incremental growth is now likely to be delivered through CIL. However, for larger sites in areas where open space provision is below the minimum guideline, and development would cause a localised requirement for additional open space, it is necessary to mitigate the pressure on local open space by creating new open space. This will need to be delivered on the site, unless it would be more appropriate to provide or enhance recreation space off-site but in the local area of the site.
- 5.4.2 In this case, due to poor local facilities, the provision of children's play is required. There are numerous possible locations including: by the medical centre, by the tram stop, adjacent to the kick pitch, by one of the roundabouts. It is preferable for the children's play to be delivered at an early stage in the development. Proposals should be developed and influenced by what there is a need for in the area.
- 5.4.3 It would be possible to locate the children's play off site as long as it was within 400 m the development site, it would not interfere with existing specific open space function or environmental work, it relates to and integrates with existing and proposed housing and ideally adjoins the development sites.

## 5.5 Landscape and Ecology

5.5.1 UDP policy GE15 requires developers to retain mature trees, copses and hedgerows, wherever possible, and replace any which are lost. A significant feature of the site is its landscape and ecological setting, and volunteers, working with wildlife groups, have contributed significantly to enhancing the wildlife and amenity value of the area. There is potential to improve or create further wildlife habitats around the site.

- 5.5.2 Environmental work has been undertaken in the Owlthorpe area but not within the development site boundaries as these have been established for some time.
- 5.5.3 There are 3 Local Wildlife Sites near to the sites, but none within the development site boundaries. These are shown on the Draft Local Plan Proposals Map, Fig. 4 (identified on the key as Ecological Local Natures Sites).
- 5.5.4 Site survey work will be required. Early planning for this will ensure that surveys are completed at the appropriate time of year and that they can be submitted as part of a planning application.

#### Site C

- 5.5.5 Just outside the north eastern boundary, a series of wetland scrapes has been established and trees planted. These should be protected during construction.
- 5.5.6 A band of mature woodland runs along the outside of the site's south eastern boundary. A minimum 6 metre buffer between the woodland (measured from trunk) and new development is required. The buffer can accommodate footpaths.

#### Site D

5.5.7 This site has limited landscape or ecological features. It is dominated by grassland and has a number of self-set trees.

#### Site E

- 5.5.8 Just outside the site's northern boundary, there is an ancient woodland containing Ochre Dyke. A 15 metre buffer between the trees (measured from trunk) to new development is required.
- 5.5.9 There are wild orchids located on site E. They are not protected by planning legislation but the Ecological Service would ask that the orchids are trans-located if possible.
- 5.5.10 A tree survey to BS 5837 is required including establishing the tree root protection areas. This will establish the trees to be protected and those that may be subject to Tree Preservation Orders (TPO).
- 5.5.11 A preliminary ecological appraisal and survey should be carried out following the principles and process outlined in Guidelines for Preliminary Ecological Appraisal CIEEM 2013.

#### 5.6 Environmental Protection Issues

#### Noise

- 5.6.1 UDP Policy H14 states that proposal should not cause future occupants or people living nearby to suffer from unacceptable noise, air pollution or nuisance or risk to health or safety.
- 5.6.2 The housing sites are located off Donetsk Way which is moderately to highly trafficked, including tram movement. There is therefore the potential for noise disamenity to future residents. If the LPA is minded to grant consent Environmental Protection Service would recommend that it was conditional on the City Council's internal noise standards being achieved:

Bedrooms: LAeq 15 minutes – 30 dB (2300 to 0700 hrs)

Living Rooms: LAeq 15 minutes – 40 dB (0700 to 2300 hrs)

5.6.3 A validation test should be carried out post development but prior to commencement of use to demonstrate that the scheme of sound attenuation installed achieves the required levels.

#### Contaminated Land

- 5.6.4 UDP policy GE25 requires the remediation of contaminated land. A Phase 1 (desk top) Ground Investigation report will be required with the likely condition for an intrusive survey followed by the implementation of a remediation strategy. There are a number of potential sources that could give rise to contaminated land and/or ground gas contamination at the site:
  - Activities such as tipping and burning may have resulted in contamination across the site.
  - Historic records have identified a disused colliery, known as the Moorhole Colliery, in close proximity to the development site boundary.
  - Due to the site's close proximity to a colliery, it is likely that the site may have been worked or that coal seams are present.
  - The concerns identified above would be identified and investigated as part of the Phase 1 and Phase 2 reports.

## Air Quality

5.6.5 Sheffield has been designated an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) under the Environment Act (1995) and the City's Area Quality Action Plan (2003) has the principal objective of improving air quality in Sheffield and is supported by Core Strategy policy CS66.

5.6.6 An Air Quality Impact Assessment with an associated Traffic Impact Assessment will be required when a planning application is submitted.

## Coal Mining Development High Risk Area

5.6.7 Parts of site C, D and E are underlain by a coal outcrop which may also have potentially been worked in the past. A Coal Mining Risk Assessment will need to be undertaken to assess the impact of mining legacy and determine what mitigation measures may be required.

#### 5.7 Environmental Sustainability

- 5.7.1 In line with Policy CS64, the layout and building orientations should be designed to achieve a high standard of energy efficiency, including making the best use of solar energy, natural light, and natural ventilation. Developments should also use resources sustainably. Code for Sustainable Homes Level 3 is no longer required, although the policy wording of CS64 should be adhered to.
- 5.7.2 Policy CS65 (a) requires that for developments of 5 or more dwellings, 10% of predicted energy needs should come from decentralised renewable/low carbon energy.

#### 5.8 **Drainage**

- 5.8.1 Policy CS67 and Supplementary Planning Document Climate Change and Design require developments to significantly reduce surface water run-off from the site and to implement Sustainable Urban Drainage systems (SUDs). The City Council highly recommends early pre-application discussions on feasibility and design with the Land Drainage and Flood Risk Management Group.
- 5.8.2 Appendix 6 contains more information.

## Existing site characteristics

5.8.3 Ochre Dyke and tributary open watercourses are located near the north, north east and south east site boundaries.

#### Flood Risk Assessment

- 5.8.4 The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment classifies the site in Flood Zone 1 low probability. The local authority has confirmed that there are no previous reports of fluvial flooding affecting the site from any watercourse.
- 5.8.5 A Flood Risk Assessment is required to accompany any planning application for sites greater than 1 hectare.

#### Surface Water Run-off

5.8.6 The permitted surface water discharge will be considered a 'greenfield allowance' and limited to 5 l/s/ha unless a number of conditions can be satisfied. Appendix 6 provides information on definitions, guidelines and the conditions to be met. The surface water drain through site C requires a 3 metre easement (either side).

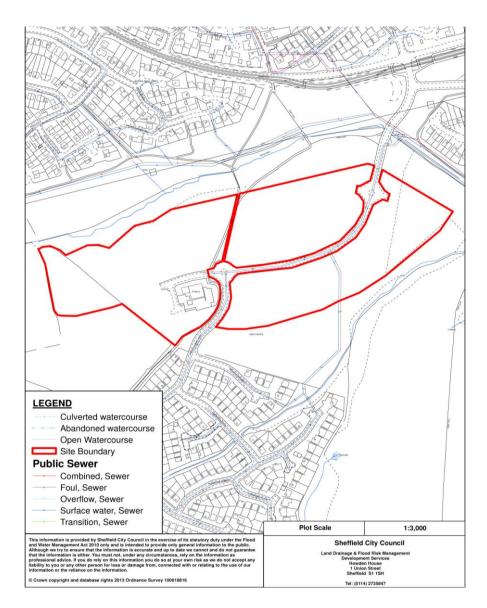


Fig. 10 Existing Drainage Plan

## Foul Drainage

- 5.8.7 The foul drainage will be to the existing public sewerage system within the site. New foul drains would be 'prospective public sewers' adoptable under S104 Water Industry Act 1991. New sewers should be within adoptable highway wherever possible.
- 5.8.9 The foul drainage will be to the existing combined public sewers in Moorthorpe Rise and Moorthorpe Way. Consent will be required from the water authority, Yorkshire Water, to use this. The sewage treatment capacity at Woodhouse Mill has been increased to accommodate development at Owlthorpe and elsewhere.
- 5.8.10 A strategic approach to water management is required in order to achieve the best possible drainage solution.

#### 5.9 Infrastructure

- 5.9.1 The Sheffield Energy and Water Infrastructure Study (2010) was commissioned to understand the existing energy, water and telecommunications infrastructure along with future capacity. The study is available to view/download at: <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan/reports-publications">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan/reports-publications</a>.
- 5.9.2 There are a number of issues highlighted below, which have been identified in the report in relation to the three Owlthorpe sites:

## Site C

- The site is located within 300 m of two 600 mm ST High Pressure Gas Mains (HPGM), which can restrict the type of development that can take place. Development in proximity to HPGM must be considered in relation to the Health and Safety Executive's PADHI Guidelines.
- An existing surface water sewer is located within Site C, which requires an easement of 3 metres either side of the sewer.
- The developer will need to budget for the cost of offsite main laying and connection to the existing gas and water networks.

#### Site D

- The site is located within 300 m of two 600 mm ST High Pressure Gas Mains (HPGM), which can restrict the type of development that can take place. Development in proximity to HPGM must be considered in relation to the Health and Safety Executive's PADHI Guidelines.
- The developer will need to budget for the cost of offsite main laying and connection to the existing gas and water networks.

 YW have identified that connection to the public sewer network will incur additional costs because the existing sewers in the vicinity of the site has flooding problems. Developers are encouraged to carry out a site inspection prior to the submission of a planning application.

#### Site E

- The site is located within 300 m of two 600 mm ST High Pressure Gas Mains (HPGM), which can restrict the type of development that can take place. Development in proximity to HPGM must be considered in relation to the Health and Safety Executive's PADHI Guidelines.
- The developer will need to budget for the cost of offsite main laying and connection to the existing gas and water networks.

## 5.10 Waste And Recycling

5.10.1 See Appendix 8 for more detailed guidance to enable on-site waste and recycling collection services.

## 5.11 Archaeology

5.11.1 The sites have unknown archaeological potential; prehistoric flint scatter is recorded nearby, indicating some prehistoric activity locally, and there appears to have been little previous disturbance of the sites. The South Yorkshire Archaeology Service recommends that they need to be involved at an early stage in any discussions about redevelopment in order that they can advise on an appropriate strategy of assessment and evaluation of the sites. This will ensure that design allows for the preservation of any significant archaeology identified. Adequate supporting information (an initial desk-based assessment plus the results of field evaluation) will be required with the application(s) for development of the sites, to inform the planning decision process.

#### 5.12 Location of Commercial Uses

- 5.12.1 As new housing is built, a market could develop for further commercial offer in the area to serve new and existing residents.

  Although commercial development is outside the scope of this Brief, it is worth considering potential locations for such development.
- 5.12.2 Land close to the tram stop would make facilities more accessible to the population on the other side of Donetsk Way. The site immediately adjacent to the tram stop is constrained by twin high pressure gas mains running through the land. Alternative options for this site include play facilities (which would complement the tree planting that has taken place on the site) or a park and ride to serve the tram stop, easing parking along Moorthorpe Way. All options would require further investigation.
- 5.12.3 Other locations could be considered for commercial uses, but not all would necessarily be acceptable in Planning Policy terms and further site investigation work would be required.
- 5.12.4 There is a general lack of small scale food retail in the area and the nearest neighbourhood centre is not conveniently located for the residents of the site or Woodland Heights. (See Fig. 12 which is a view of the wider area and shows the Neighbourhood Centres identified in the Draft Proposals Map). A store of up to 400 m<sup>2</sup> gross would be considered appropriate and would serve a different market from the Asda on Beighton Road East.

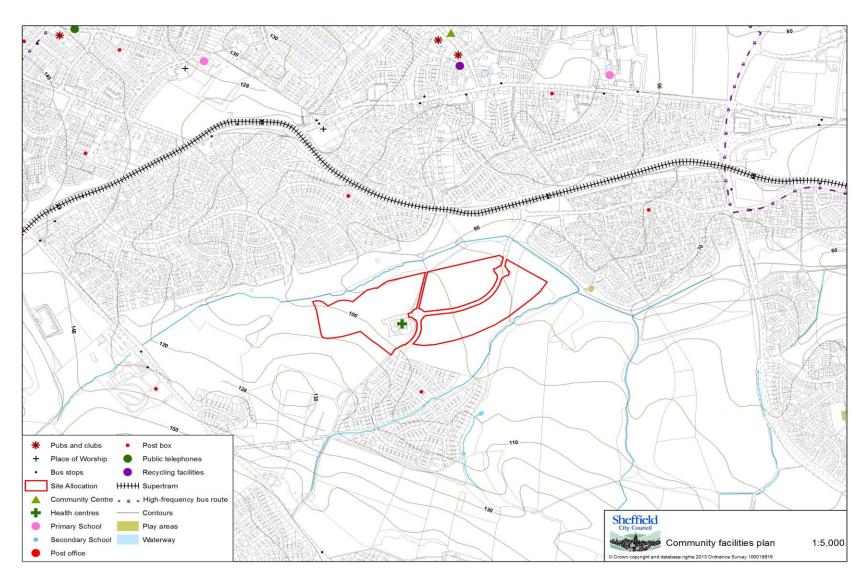


Fig. 11 Community Facilities Plan

#### 6 SITE APPRAISAL

## 6.0 Historical Background

- 6.0.1 The sites are all Greenfield. The development of the sites would complete the partially finished Owlthorpe Township which is part of several new settlements collectively known as the 'Mosborough Townships' (see Fig. 15).
- 6.0.2 The proposals for the area were developed in the late 1960s and early 1970s and established areas including Waterthorpe, Owlthorpe, Southall, Westfield, Oxclose and Halfway. In terms of urban planning, they borrow much from the ideas of other new towns of the same period, such as Peterborough, Milton Keynes and Warrington.
- 6.0.3 Early plans for these developments show that the new realities of rising car ownership were at the centre of the way the developments were envisioned. The townships had a cellular plan (each approx. 1 km sq.), each with its own local centre with shops, a school and community facilities, with the township edges marked by 'parkway' roads running through open spaces and forming the overall large grid into which the developments fitted (Hey 1998, 233).

## 6.0.4 Information sourced from: <a href="http://sytimescapes.org.uk/zones/sheffield/S24">http://sytimescapes.org.uk/zones/sheffield/S24</a>

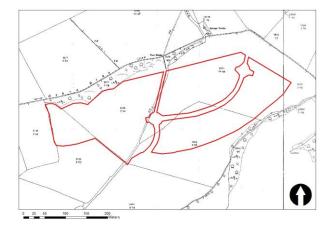


Fig. 12 - 1890 Historical Map

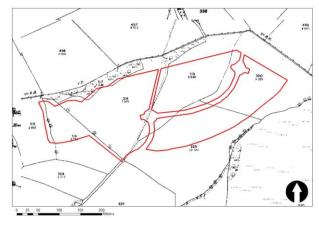


Fig. 13 - 1950 Historical Map

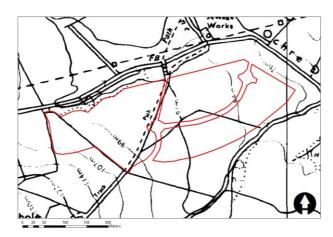


Fig. 14 - 1970 Historical map



Fig. 15 - Mosborough Plan c1960s

# 6.1 Site photographs



Fig. 16 Site photographs

















## 6.2 Opportunities and Constraints

The primary site issues are identified in the table below and in Fig. 17, Opportunities and Constraints Plan.

Key Challenges	Key Opportunities
Protecting and enhancing the historic, ecological and	Optimising the greenfield character, topography and landscape
landscape features whilst optimising commercial return from	value of the sites and context
development	
Enabling better neighbourhood infrastructure, particularly	Optimising the value of existing neighbourhood facilities and
convenience retail, public transport, and play facilities	infrastructure such as the nearby tram stop, road network,
	medical centre, kick pitch, open spaces and pedestrian network
Unknown ground conditions that may include mining and	Moorthorpe Heritage and Nature Trails
contamination	
Moorthorpe Way is an over-engineered road and the medical	Existing water courses to enable sustainable urban drainage
centre and the Moorthorpe Rise settlement are isolated	
	Large site in an established and popular housing area

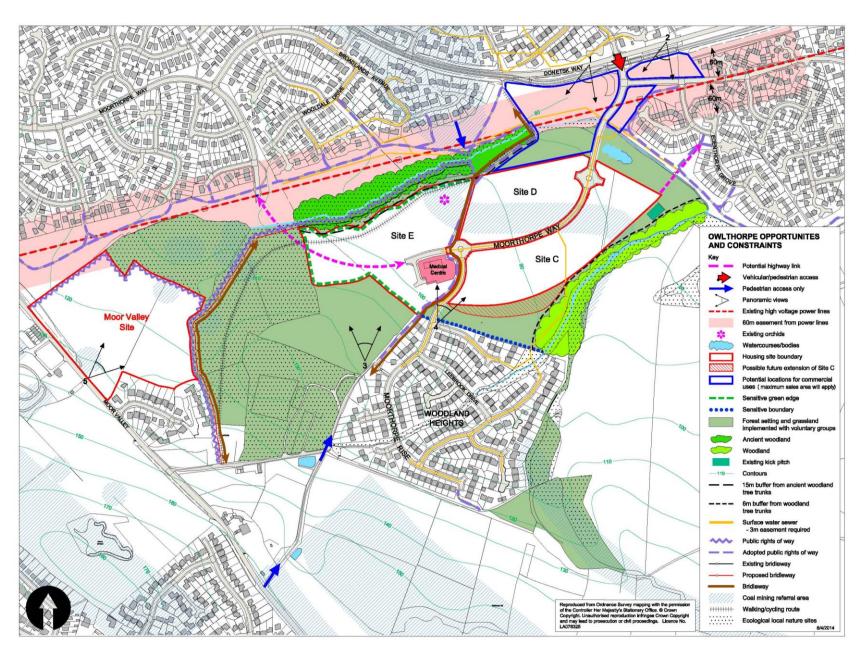


Fig. 19 Opportunities and Constraints Plan

Note that, as discussed in 4.2.3, the 60m easement is not a requirement; the latest recommendation is for the provision of a 15m easement either side of the power cables.

## 6.3 Urban Design Framework

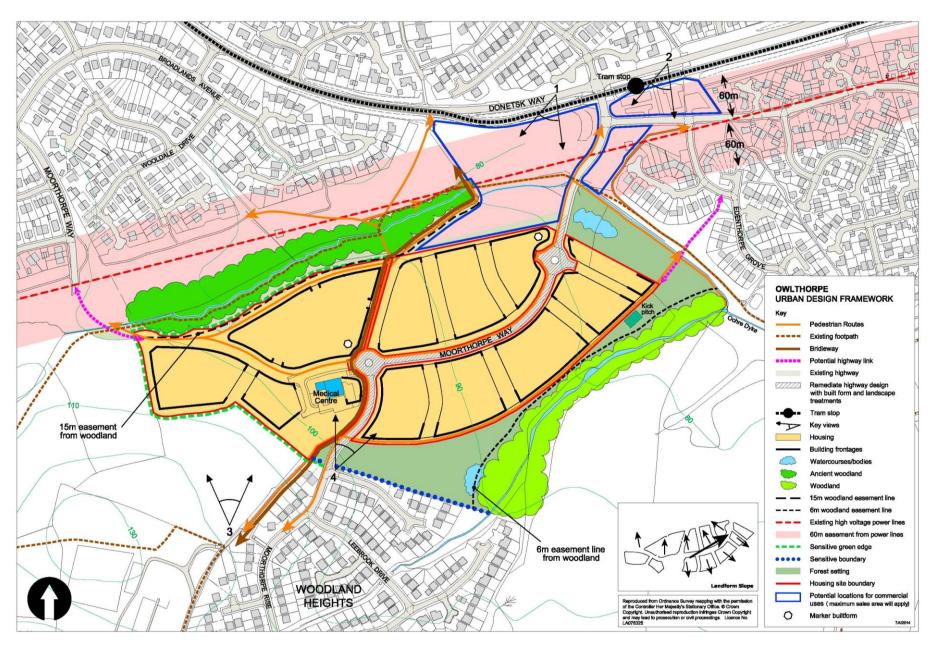


Fig. 19 Urban Design Framework

Note that, as discussed in 4.2.3, the 60m easement is not a requirement; the latest recommendation is for the provision of a 15m easement either side of the power cables.

- 6.3.1 Figure 19 shows the Urban Design Framework with the key design features that the proposals should address in conjunction with the South Yorkshire Residential Design Guide and the following site-specific design development principles.
- 6.3.2 Figure 20 (illustrative masterplan) shows a conceptual layout, using the design principles set out below and the Urban Design Framework. This is for illustrative purposes only.

The key design principles that development should address are:

## **Density**

As well as using density to create character and value, the intensity of development across the site should be designed to promote public transport with higher density fronting Moorthorpe Way and near to the tram stop for example.

## Legibility

- L1 The development should be distinctive and easy for anybody to find their way to and through. There is an opportunity to create a new character on this site as it is sufficiently remote from the influence of its neighbours.
- L2 The development should set a marker for high quality and sustainable design e.g. use of natural materials for the houses, robust detailing, considered response to solar orientation etc.

#### **Movement**

M1 The strategic movement framework should consider the surrounding neighbourhood context and optimise the value of the existing infrastructure. It should promote more sustainable transport modes, and show how to enable a continuous and safe footpath and cycle network from people's homes to popular local destinations.

## **Green Environment**

- G1 It is essential that the interfaces between the development and open space or the woodland edges are carefully designed to provide value to new residents and to enhance landscape quality.
- G2 The landscape setting must feature significantly in the development of character.
- G3 The development must contribute to the success of the green infrastructure in this area to enable more sustainable development and lifestyles.

## **Topography and Drainage**

- T1 Development must be designed as a considered response to the complex and sloping topography across the site.
- T2 The layout of homes must consider the weak solar benefit of the site generally sloping down towards the north east.
- The design development should consider the inclusion of SUDs and the efficient use of the existing water courses at an early stage.



Fig. 20 Illustrative Masterplan

Note that, as discussed in 4.2.3, the 60m easement is not a requirement; the latest recommendation is for the provision of a 15m easement either side of the power cables.

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Developers are advised to use the pre-application service

https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/sheffield/home/planning -development/pre-application-enquiry.html

# **Appendix 1 - Useful Links and Best Practice**

#### Useful Links

- The Unitary Development Plan: <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/sheffield-plan/00%20UDP%20-%20Introducing%20the%20UDP.pdf">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/sheffield-plan/00%20UDP%20-%20Introducing%20the%20UDP.pdf</a>
- The Sheffield Plan (formerly Sheffield Development Framework):
   <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan</a>
- The Core Strategy:
   https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/core-strategy/Core-Strategy---adopted-March-2009--pdf--6-55-MB-.pdf
- Draft City Policies and Sites (2010):
   <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan/sheffield-plan-detail">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan/sheffield-plan-detail</a>
- The timetable for the City Policies and Sites document and the Proposals Map can be viewed at the following link: https://maps.sheffield.gov.uk/LocalViewExt/Sites/ProposalsMap/
- CIL and Planning Obligations SPD:
- <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/sheffield-plan/CIL%20and%20Planning%20Obligations%20SPD.pdf">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/sheffield-plan/CIL%20and%20Planning%20Obligations%20SPD.pdf</a>.

## Supplementary Planning Documents

The main SPD to note is the Climate Change and Design Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) which was adopted by Cabinet on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2011. The SPD has been drafted to assist with the implementation of the adopted Core Strategy, and supports the following Core Strategy policies: CS63, CS64, CS65 and CS67

http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/sheffield-plan/Climate%20Change%20and%20Design%20SPD%20and%20Practice%20Guide.pdf

# Supplementary Planning Guidance

The relevant Sheffield City Council Supplementary Planning Guidance documents can be viewed on the following link below: <a href="http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan/reports-publications">http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/policies-plans/sheffield-plan/reports-publications</a>

#### Best Practice

Although **not** a specific planning requirement, the preparation, use and submission of the following information and standards would show good practice in enabling the requirements of planning policy to be met. The Council has a Developer Manual that may help provide useful background information. <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/planning-and-city-development/regeneration/sheffield-site-redevelopment-programme">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/planning-and-city-development/regeneration/sheffield-site-redevelopment-programme</a>

# Housing

The **Housing Market Assessment** will help to form an understanding of the local housing need, <a href="http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/housing/strategic-housing-market-assessment">http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/housing/strategic-housing-market-assessment</a> (further information is available from the Council).

Use innovative approaches to fulfil any affordable housing requirement.

## Environmental sustainability

- A Low and Zero Carbon Technologies Report will help to guide the most cost effective approach to reducing carbon emissions on the site.
- Site Investigation Reports including a topographic survey, ecological survey and ground investigation reports help to inform the design proposals.
- A Water Management and Demand Study informs the proposed approach to implementing SUD's. The approach should include
  the incorporation of green roofs on as many homes as possible.
- An Environmental Sustainability Brief for the Design Team can help balance the findings of the above surveys while proposing
  the approach to optimising the positive benefits on the environment.
- A **Green Travel Plan** can help to explain how residents will be enabled to lead more environmentally sensitive lifestyles.

### Housing/Streetscape/public realm design

 National Housing Federation 'Standards and Quality in Development - a good practice guide' internal space design standards.

- Wheelchair Accessible Housing <a href="http://legacy.london.gov.uk/mayor/strategies/sds/bpg-wheelchair-acc-housing.jsp">http://legacy.london.gov.uk/mayor/strategies/sds/bpg-wheelchair-acc-housing.jsp</a>
- Lifetime Homes standards <a href="http://www.lifetimehomes.org.uk/pages/revised-design-criteria.html">http://www.lifetimehomes.org.uk/pages/revised-design-criteria.html</a>
- A Legibility Plan; informs how design has been considered for people with sensory impairment
- 'Safer Places: the Planning System and Crime Prevention.' http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/saferplaces
  - South Yorkshire Residential Design Guide. <a href="http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/core-strategy/South-Yorkshire-Residential-Design-Guide--pdf--3-57MB-.pdf">http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/core-strategy/South-Yorkshire-Residential-Design-Guide--pdf--3-57MB-.pdf</a>
- 'Car Parking -What works where'.
   <a href="http://collections.europarchive.org/tna/20100911035042/http://englishpartnerships.co.uk/qualityandinnovationpublications.htm">http://collections.europarchive.org/tna/20100911035042/http://englishpartnerships.co.uk/qualityandinnovationpublications.htm</a>

# Construction Efficiency

- A **Construction Efficiency Report** will help to show how construction best practice is being implemented including a Sustainable Construction Waste Plan and a report on re-using as much of the site infrastructure as possible.
- BRE Green Guide to Specification http://www.bre.co.uk/greenguide/podpage.jsp?id=2126

# **Appendix 2 - Planning History**

Site E (all relate to the medical centre)

- 07/00288/FUL Installation of 14 no. externally fitted roller shutters Granted conditionally 19.04.2007
- 04/05061/FUL Erection of 1.8 metres high security fence and gates (Amended scheme) (Owlthorpe Medical Centre,
   1-3 Moorthorpe Bank) Granted conditionally 15.02.2005
- 04/03359/FUL Erection of 2 m high security fence and gates Refused 14.10.2004

15 Moorthorpe Dell (adjacent to the land next to site C)

- 13/00320/FUL Extension to front of detached garage Granted conditionally 25.03.2013
- 05/03441/FUL Two-storey front extension to dwelling house (As per amended plans received 11th October 2005) Granted conditionally 14.10.2005

# **Appendix 3 - Detailed Planning Submission Information**

#### PLANNING SUBMISSION INFORMATION

- a. **Design and Access Statement** to include a general site appraisal, descriptions and photos showing the proposals in the context of the Site and in relation to the surrounding area, explaining how the proposals respond positively to the brief and Key Topic Areas. The Statement should include the following elements: Site analysis; Urban Design; character and legibility; activity and uses; movement; and general layout.
- b. **Site location plan** preferably 1:1250, and no smaller than 1:2500 showing the curtilage of the property (outlined in red) and the immediate surroundings and including:
  - Metric scales only.
  - North point, date and number.
  - Outline the application property, and indicate any adjoining property owned or controlled by the applicant.
  - Show the application property in relation to all adjoining properties and the immediate surrounding area, including roads.
  - Show vehicular access to a highway if the site does not adjoin a highway.
- c. **General layout and massing** preferably 1:200 and no larger than 1:500 showing as a minimum; building arrangement, building types/heights with gardens, levels and spot heights (existing and proposed), retaining structures, materials (buildings and landscape), key views and vistas, existing features maintained, location of bins and cycle stores, etc.
- **d. Public realm, landscape, open space and street scene** showing as a minimum; public and private space and hard landscape proposals, boundary treatments, open space proposals and soft landscape, street furniture, play equipment, public art, uses and activities, existing features maintained, etc.
- **e. Movement and highway design** showing as a minimum; any pedestrian and vehicular pathways, shared surfaces, inclusive design features, building and garage entry points, highway design and traffic management proposals, public transport infrastructure and cycle routes, lighting, servicing particularly access for recycling and waste collection, car parking proposals, drainage, key linkages, etc.
- f. **Accommodation schedule and detailed drawings of all house types** including all floor and elevation plans along with details of the external areas at a scale typically no less than 1:50 and showing all accessibility features with written confirmation of criteria which cannot be shown on the plans.
- g. **Cross-sections and all key street elevations** (Typically at a scale of 1:500) showing how the proposed development would sit within the site's topography and alongside existing neighbouring buildings to indicate how the streetscape is created.
- h. **Detailed drawings of all typical sections of the street scene and public realm** at a scale of not less than 1:50 showing surfacing materials and details, boundary treatments, street trees, street furniture, and any other typical or special details.
- **i. Tree location and root protection zone plan** showing the location of trees to be retained and the extent of the root protection zones in accordance with British Standard BS5837.

#### **OPTIONAL**

- j. **Three-dimensional visualisations, photomontage or models** preferably in context with some existing buildings (Note: Three-dimensional drawings do not have to show the whole site, but can consist of specific areas of development to give an indication of how they would appear).
- k. **A study board** describing **typical** and **marker** building types in context and with elevations, design features, materials, and hard/soft landscaping and public realm finishes.
- I. **Detailed annotated drawings of a typical three bedroom four person dwelling types** including plans and elevations at a scale typically no less than 1:50. Show a typical furniture layout. This should include an outline specification for the construction of the dwellings, along with external treatments, and explaining how the dwelling meets the quality standards.

Other documents required with Planning Application	Required
Affordable Housing Statement	Yes
Biodiversity Survey and Report	Yes
Consultation Statement	Yes
Design and Access Statement	Yes
Flood Risk Assessment	Yes
Heritage Statement	No
Archaeological Assessment	Yes
Noise impact assessment	Yes
Air quality Assessment	Yes
Open Space Statement	Yes
Planning obligations (draft)	Yes
Sustainability Statement	Yes
Transport Assessment or Statement (including public rights of way)	Yes on sites over 80 dwellings
Travel Plan	Yes
Phase 1 ground investigation (to include Contaminated Land Risk Assessment)	Yes (but not for validation of application) Phase 2 Investigation and Remediation Statement required depending on the outcome Phase 1 investigation.
Tree Survey	Yes
Preliminary Ecological Assessment	Yes
More detailed ecological surveys such as	Yes depending on outcome of
Breeding Bird Survey, Protected species survey	Ecological Assessment
Environmental Statement	Yes
Drainage Statement/ Strategy	Yes
Landscaping details	Yes
Regeneration assessment	No
Coal Mining Risk Assessment	Yes

# Appendix 4 - Planning Policy Table

Policy Area policies – the principle of development	Relevant part of the policy
UDP Policy H10 Development in Housing Areas	Preferred use: Housing (C3)
	Acceptable uses: small shops with not more than 280 m <sup>2</sup> (A1), offices used by the public (A2), food and drink outlets (A3), business (B1) (small scale offices <250 m <sup>2</sup> gross internal floor space), hotels (C1), residential institutions (C2) and leisure and recreation facilities (D2) – subject to the sequential and impact tests in National Planning Policy Framework, and community uses (D1)
UDP Policy H14 Conditions on Development in Housing Areas	Gives conditions on development in Housing Areas in relation to design, amenity and highways access.
Housing policies	Relevant part of the policy
Core Strategy policy CS26 Efficient Use of Housing Land and Accessibility	The density recommendation here is in the range of 40-60 dwellings per hectare. Densities outside this range may be justified where the development achieves good design and reflects the character of the area.
Core Strategy policy CS41 Creating Mixed Communities	Part (b) of the policy requires a greater mix of housing, including homes for larger households, especially families.
Design Principles	Relevant part of the policy
UDP Policy H15 Design of New Housing Developments	Residential design should provide easy access for people with disabilities and provide an adequate private garden to ensure that basic standards of daylight privacy, security and outlook are met.
CS 74 Design Principles	High quality development is expected that respects and takes advantage of the distinctive features of the city, its districts and neighbourhoods; and
	Enabling all people to gain access safely and conveniently, providing for the needs of disabled and older people.
UDP Policy BE5 Building Design and Siting	Good design and good quality materials expected in all new developments. Policy sets out criteria for physical design and user requirements.

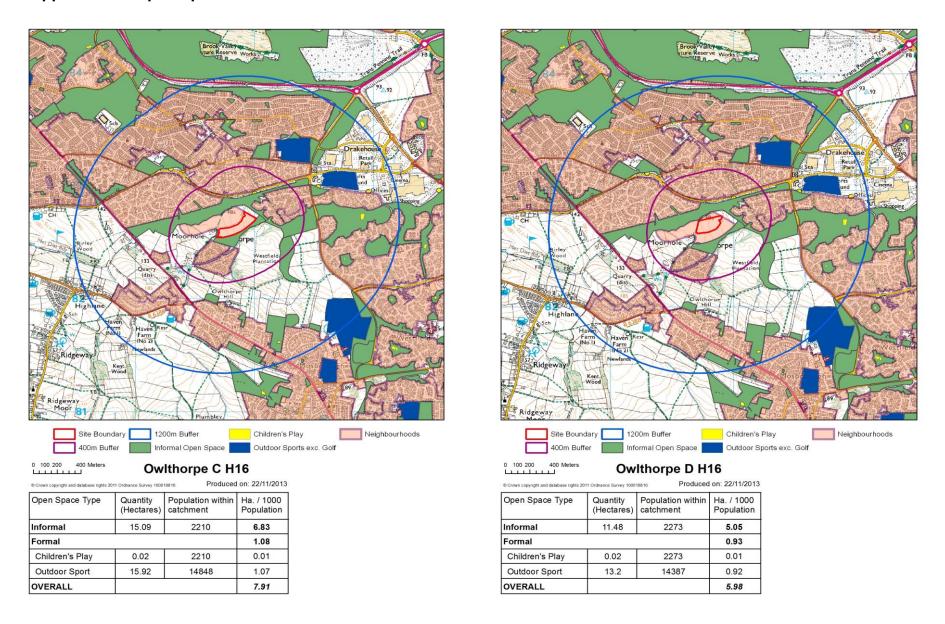
UDP Policy BE6 Landscape Design	Good quality landscape design is expected in new developments. A Landscaping Scheme should have an emphasis on using native species.
UDP BE10 Design of Streets, Pedestrian Routes, Cycleways and Public Spaces	The policy offers guidance about the design and environmental improvement of streets, pedestrian routes and areas, cycleways and public spaces.
UDP Policy BE9 Design for Vehicles	New development to provide a safe, efficient and environmentally acceptable site layout for all vehicles (including cycles) and pedestrians.
UDP Policy BE10 Design of Streets, Pedestrian Routes, Cycleways and Public Spaces	Aims to create well designed streets with minimal conflict between users.
UDP Policy GE11 Nature Conservation and Development	The design, siting and landscaping of development should respect and promote nature conservation and include measures to reduce any potentially harmful effects of development on natural features of value.
UDP Policy GE13 Areas of Natural History Interest and Local Nature Sites	Development that would damage a local nature site would not normally be permitted.  Development should be designed and sited to protect and enhance the most important features of a local nature site.
UDP GE15 Trees and Woodland	Trees and woodland will be encouraged and protected by:  (a) planting, managing and establishing trees and woodland, particularly in the South
	Yorkshire Forest; and  (b) requiring developers to retain mature trees, copses and hedgerows, wherever possible, and replace any trees which are lost; and
	(c) not permitting development which would damage existing mature and ancient woodlands.

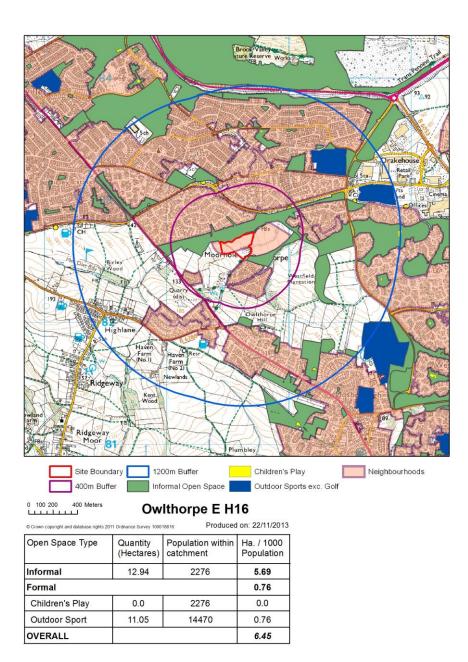
Sustainability and Climate Change	Relevant part of the policy
Guideline CC1 in the Climate Change and Design SPD	Requires green roofs - provided they are compatible with other design and conservation considerations, and where viable, green roofs will be required on all larger developments, and encouraged on all other developments. The green roof should cover at least 80% of the total roof area.
	The 'Climate Change and Design Supplementary Planning Document and Practice Guide' can viewed on the following link:
	http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/sheffield-
	plan/Climate%20Change%20and%20Design%20SPD%20and%20Practice%20Guide.pdf
CS 64 Climate Change, Resources and Sustainable Design of Developments	All new buildings must be designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and must function in a changing climate. Includes policy on energy efficiency, renewable energy generation, water consumption, flexible design, use of sustainable materials and waste recycling.
CS 65 Renewable Energy and Carbon Reduction	Any new developments must take into account the energy efficiency requirements and design standards. Developments of 5 or more dwellings should provide 10% of predicted energy needs from renewable/low carbon sources, unless it is not feasible or viable to do so.
CS67 Flood risk management	Discharge should be considered first to the ground via infiltration, then by a watercourse, and as last resort to the sewer. Water should be managed through a SUDs system irrespective of discharge location.
	To be considered for a 'brownfield allowance', a reduction of 30% of the previous run-off rate, there should be evidence of an existing surface water discharge, at the time of application. There should be a positive drainage system of pipework in place which discharges to the same outlet proposed in the application. Full system details will be required including CCTV footage showing the system's condition.

Traffic, Transport and Highways	Relevant part of the policy
UDP T8 Pedestrian Routes	The safety, convenience and attractiveness of footpaths and pedestrian areas will be improved, and new routes and areas created, to form a pedestrian-friendly network throughout the city and provide access to the countryside around Sheffield. Major new developments will be required to include links to nearby existing or proposed pedestrian routes.
UDP T10 Cycle Routes	The safety, convenience and attractiveness of cycle facilities and routes will be improved and new ones created to make the city cycle-friendly and provide access to the countryside around Sheffield. New developments will be required to include cycle links with existing or proposed routes where such an opportunity exists. Cycle parking facilities will be expected in new developments.
Transport & Highways	A Transport Assessment would be needed  A Travel Plan could either be submitted with the application or the operation of one as a condition of Planning Consent.
Parking Standards	The site is in an accessible location within easy reach of a tram and bus route. An adequate amount of on-site parking must be provided for however, although the following maximum number of spaces not exceeded:
	<ul><li>1 bedroom 1 space</li><li>2-3 bedrooms 2 spaces</li></ul>
	4-5 bedrooms 2 - 3 spaces
	+ 1 space per 4 dwellings for visitors
	Reference should be made to the Council's Parking Guidelines <a href="https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/roads/about/highways-maintenance/development-and-adoptions/information-sheets.html">https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/roads/about/highways-maintenance/development-and-adoptions/information-sheets.html</a> (Information Sheet 3)
	For garages are to be counted as parking spaces they must have minimum internal dimensions of 3 m x 6 m.

Developer Contributions	Relevant part of the policy or SPG/SPD
H16 Open Space in New Housing Developments	Any open space provided needs to be supported by a funded maintenance plan.
CS40 Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing is covered in the CIL and Planning Obligations SPD:
	https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/sheffield-plan/CIL%20and%20Planning%20Obligations%20SPD.pdf.  In this area, there is a requirement to provide 10% Affordable Housing.
UDP BE12 Public Art	The provision of works of public art in places which can be readily seen by the public will be encouraged as an integral part of the design of major developments.  The Public Art contribution is to be negotiated in line with Policy.

# **Appendix 5 – Open Space Assessments**





# **Appendix 6 - Drainage Information**

### Submission Material

This will vary according to the nature of development with larger sites having more potential options for drainage. Pre application enquiries are recommended.

To assist applicants, Sheffield has produced 3 documents which are available to download below, which cover the following guidelines:

- The approach to and options for SUDS for 3 broad major development types
- An outline of the expected content for a SUDS Design Statement for a typical housing development
- SUDS Design Statement checklist

Further advice about Supporting Submissions is available on the Council's website: <a href="http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/planning-permission-advice/local-planning-guidance/sustainable-urban-drainage-design.html">http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/planning-development/planning-permission-advice/local-planning-guidance/sustainable-urban-drainage-design.html</a>

#### Surface Water Run-off

In accordance with current planning policy, the City Council promotes the use of SUDs for new development and requires early preapplication discussions and a SUDs Design Statement on feasibility and design between developers and the Local Planning Authority, in consultation with the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA). Discharge should be considered first to the ground via infiltration, then by a watercourse, and at a last resort to the sewer. Water should be managed through a SUDs system irrespective of discharge location. It is highly recommended that developers contact the LLFA regarding any proposals for discharging to ground at early pre-application stage.

The permitted surface water discharge will be considered a 'greenfield allowance' and limited to Qbar unless a number of conditions can be satisfied.

To be considered for a 'brownfield allowance', reduction of 30% of the previous run-off rate, there should be evidence of an existing surface water discharge, at the time of application. There should be a positive drainage system of pipework in place which discharges to the same outlet proposed in the application. Full system details will be required including a suitable survey showing the system's condition.

Prior agreement with Yorkshire Water is also advised where the surface water discharges to a public sewer as the water authority may require a lower discharge rate than required through the planning consent.

Brownfield allowance will not be allowed where the proposed outlet differs from the existing or where the existing run off is less than 10 l/s/ha.

### **Culverts**

**CS67** encourages opening culverts as part of mitigation measures to fulfil the Water Framework Directive and other conservation regulations. More information about opening culverts is available through the Healthy Catchments for Managing Flood Risk website: <a href="https://www.restorerivers.eu/RiverRestoration/Floodriskmanagement/HealthyCatchmentsmanagingforfloodriskWFD/Environmentalimprovementscasestudies/Removeculverts/tabid/3125/Default.aspx">https://www.restorerivers.eu/RiverRestoration/Floodriskmanagement/HealthyCatchmentsmanagingforfloodriskWFD/Environmentalimprovementscasestudies/Removeculverts/tabid/3125/Default.aspx</a>

Consideration needs to be given to:

- Ease of discharge of development surface water to open channels
- Flood risk benefits through removing throttles and increasing overall cross sectional capacity. This may be identified within flood risk registers
- Water quality improvement opportunities for both upstream flow as well as introduced flows
- Day-lighted culverts forming the focus to linear green networks as part of required open space or integrated with transport networks.

# **Appendix 7 - Community Infrastructure Levy**

In July 2015 the Council adopted the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) in order to provide infrastructure to support new development in an efficient way. To a large degree, CIL replaces previous payments negotiated individually as planning obligations (known as Section 106 Agreements).

The money raised through CIL will be put towards providing essential infrastructure needed across the city as a result of new development. This infrastructure could include transport improvements, school places, open space and others.

The rates (£/m²) are:

Zone 1 - North East	£0
Zone 2 - East	£0
Zone 3 – Stocksbridge & Deepcar; North West; South East; City	£30
Centre West; Manor/Arbourthorne; Gleadless;	
Chapeltown/Ecclesfield; Rural Upper Don Valley	
Zone 4 – City Centre; South	£50
Zone 5 – South West	£80

The Owlthorpe sites are within Zone 3.

These rates are in addition to the provision of affordable housing which will continue to be agreed under S106 using the Affordable Housing Interim Planning Guidance. Site specific infrastructure (such as new traffic signals) which is considered essential for the development to go ahead will also be negotiated separately and in addition to CIL.

The SPD on CIL and Planning Obligations provides more detailed guidance:

https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/content/dam/sheffield/docs/planning-and-development/sheffield-plan/CIL%20and%20Planning%20Obligations%20SPD.pdf.

# **Appendix 8 – Refuse Collection Service for Houses**

### **Containers**

- Per dwelling, space should be recognised for 3 wheeled bin containers having a footprint size of 0.75 m x 1.5 m, around which there should be a reasonable allowance for a walkway.
- Storage should be on the premises, and a minimum of 1.0 m from the building. The use of communal bin stores should be avoided.

#### Access

- Any undercover/ internal storage facility for bins must have a level access with the ground level or any slope constructed should be equal to that for wheel chair access.
- The movement of domestic household bins to the kerbside collection point is the responsibility of the occupier.
- The surface over which the bins are to be transported (pulled or pushed) should be a smooth surface (tarmac, block paving or paving flagstones) where the container will not sink or be uneven which may cause the container to tip over.

# Servicing (Applicable to Houses and Flats)

- New roadways should be suitable for a 32 tonne vehicle, and due consideration given to the potential for vehicles to be parked at the sides of the road.
- The dimensions of the largest collection vehicles are:

Length: 12.5 metresWidth: 3.2 metresHeight: 4.2 metres

- A turning area is required if there is not an access and egress from the site.
- Collection Vehicles should not be expected to reverse over 12 metres.

### Collection Service for Flats

Where it is not possible to allocate an individual receptacle to a dwelling the City Council standard is to provide 1100 Litre Euro
Bins for residual waste, collected once weekly, 660 Litre Euro Bins for paper and card and 500 litre Euro Bins for glass and cans,
both collected every two weeks. 120 litres per dwelling per week is made available, plus a minimum 30% additional capacity for
the segregated collection of materials for recycling.

## Storage

- A minimum allocation for waste storage of 0.25m<sup>3</sup> (as per building standard H6) per dwelling must be adhered.
- Any mixed-use development must provide totally separate storage of domestic waste from any other waste arising from the premises.
- A recycling area should be clearly designated and marked within the waste storage area.
- Space allocated for bin storage should not have bins stored more than two deep and should provide ample room for rotating the bins (a minimum equivalent in space to a 50cm wide band around each bin for this purpose).
- Adequate height, with a minimum of 2.3 metres from floor to ceiling in the storage area must be provided to ensure the lids on all
  containers must be able to open fully.
- The Developer must give consideration for the accessibility of waste and recycling facilities by disabled residents.
- A designated area must be provided for the occasional storage of bulky items of waste by residents (this should be in addition to the minimum 0.25m<sup>3</sup> of designated waste storage space per dwelling).
- The waste authority is pleased to consider alternative arrangements to chutes for waste.
- Suitable consideration should be made to minimise risk associated with the storage of waste including adequate ventilation and fire precautions.
- Any agreed method of waste management outside the standard service provided via the waste collection authority will be liable for capital and revenue costs.

# Access & Servicing (Specific to flats)

- Bins will be pulled a maximum of 12 metres from the storage area to refuse collection vehicle.
- Arrangements can be made with the waste collection authority where access is within the prescribed measure to collect direct from storage area, alternatively agreement must be sought with the waste collection authority to designate a suitable collection & return point.

# Appendix 9 – List of amendments made between July 2014 and November 2017 version

Due to the time elapsed since the Brief was approved, it has been necessary to update sections where Planning Policy has changed, or new information or advice is available. Below is a list of the sections which have been amended.

3.2.1	Disposal boundary
4.2.8	Update on the Sheffield Local Plan
4.2.3	Updated information regarding power line easements
4.3.3	Update on Local Plan consultation
5.1.3	Afforable housing requirement in SPD
5.2.5	Link Road
5.3	Removal of requirement for S106 for education, replaced by Community Infrastructure Levy
5.4	Removal of off-site requirement for S106 Open Space contribution. Replacement text provided.
5.7	Environmental Sustainability – updated requirements
Appendix 1	SDP link added
Appendix 6	Updated drainage information
Appendix 7	CIL