

Joint Annual Monitoring Report 2013/14

West Dorset District Council and
Weymouth & Portland Borough Council

Monitoring period 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014

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Executive Summary

The Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) plays an important role in reporting the progress that the council is making in the preparation of planning documents and the performance of existing planning policies.

This AMR covers the monitoring period 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014, and is based on the policies of the emerging West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland Local Plan. This monitoring report is the second AMR prepared jointly by West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough Council.

The AMR reports on the progress made in the preparation of planning documents in 2013/14 with reference to the schedule presented in the Local Development Scheme (LDS).

The draft West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan was submitted to the Secretary of State on the 24th June 2013, in line with the milestone in the LDS published in February 2013. However, following submission, the Inspector appointed to undertake the examination of the plan requested that additional consultation be carried out on the changes made to the plan by the councils following the previous consultation stage. Consultation took place between August and October 2013.

Following the consultation on modifications to the Local Plan, the Inspector wrote to the councils on 10 December 2013 indicating that he had concerns around a number of issues in the plan. Prior to progressing the examination further, an Exploratory Meeting was held in January 2014 where these issues were discussed in public. In light of the discussions held during the exploratory meeting, the councils agreed to suspend the examination to enable additional work on housing matters to be carried out. A further amended LDS was approved in April 2014.

The target dates in the LDS for the delivery of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) were not met in 2013/14 as modifications to the CIL tariff for West Dorset were made and consulted upon in summer 2013.

Good progress is being made on neighbourhood planning work and during 2013/14, the Councils received Neighbourhood Plan area applications for Longburton, Puddletown, Portland and an area including Bridport, Allington and Symondsbury (combined). These local communities are now developing their Neighbourhood Plans with the assistance of the Councils.

The LDS indicated that further consultation on Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople sites would take place in Autumn 2013. This was delayed as the Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Accommodation Assessment (GTAA) was updated and published in September 2013. Consultants then started work on assessing additional sites which may be included in the DPD.

The detailed policy monitoring indicates that the targets had not been met for policies ENV 2 (Wildlife and Habitats), ENV 4 (Heritage Assets), ENV 5 (Flood Risk), SUS 1 (the level of Economic and Housing Growth), HOUS 1 (Affordable Housing), and COM 3 (The Retention of Local Buildings and Community Structure) in the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan.

No revisions to the existing policies in the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan are recommended in this report.

1. Introduction

This Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) presents the progress made by West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough Council in preparing local planning documents and reports on the performance of these documents in meeting their aims and objectives during the period 31st March 2013 to 1st April 2014.

This AMR has been prepared jointly by West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough Council in recognition of the joint working between the two councils, particularly in relation to the production of a joint West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan.

This report contains the following:

- A review of the progress made in the preparation of the local planning documents including the Local Plan, Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), and Neighbourhood Plans (as recorded in the Local Development Scheme);
- A summary of the actions taken in relation to the Council's Duty to Cooperate whilst developing these documents;
- An account of the characteristics of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland; and
- An evaluation of the performance of the strategic approach and policies contained in each chapter of the joint Local Plan, which are:
 - Environment and Climate Change
 - Sustainable Pattern of Development
 - Economy
 - Housing
 - Community Needs and Infrastructure

It conforms with Section 34 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

2. Local Development Scheme Progress

The Local Development Scheme (LDS) for West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland provides a programme for the preparation of local planning policy documents and presents key milestones in the timetable for their delivery.

The first joint LDS for West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland was approved in November 2012, and came into effect in January 2013. The joint LDS was updated in February 2013 and again in June 2013 to reflect the changes in the timetable for delivering the planning policy documents. The LDS was updated in April 2014, though this falls just outside of this monitoring period.

This section therefore reports on the progress made against the programme for delivery presented in the June 2013 LDS for the following local planning policy documents:

- West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan;
- Dorset-wide Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Site Allocations Joint Development Plan Document;
- Neighbourhood Development Plans; and
- Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland Local Plan

The LDS published in June 2013 presented a timetable for the delivery of the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan which is shown in Figure 2.1.

The June 2013 LDS proposed that the draft Plan, incorporating proposed modifications, would be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in June 2013.

Figure 2.1: Progress in delivering the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan against the LDS published in January 2013.

Stage in development	Target date for delivery	Target achieved
Submission to Government	June 2013	✓
Public Examination	Starting September 2013	X
Consultation on any proposed changes	Autumn 2013	X
Adoption	April 2013	X

The draft plan was submitted to the Secretary of State on the 24th June 2013, in line with the milestone in the LDS. However, following submission, the Inspector appointed to undertake the examination of the plan requested that additional consultation be carried out on the changes made to the plan by the councils following the previous consultation stage. Consultation took place between August and October 2013.

Following the consultation on modifications to the Local Plan, the Inspector wrote to the councils on 10 December, indicating that he had concerns around a number of issues in the plan. Prior to progressing the examination further, an Exploratory Meeting was held in January 2014 where these issues around the duty to cooperate; housing issues; affordable housing; supplementary planning documents; the consultation process; and an overall concern about the spatial strategy

were discussed in public. Following the exploratory meeting the councils agreed to suspend the examination to enable additional work on housing matters to be carried out on the local plan. This decision had implications for the programme of plan preparation. A revised LDS was prepared and approved in April 2014 in light of this.

Figure 2.2: Progress in delivering the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan against the LDS published in April 2014.

Stage in development	Target date for delivery	Target achieved
Public Examination Hearings	Starting October 2014	X
Consultation on any proposed changes	December 2014 – January 2015	X
Adoption	May 2015	X

The targets in the April 2014 LDS were not met, as summarised in Figure 2.2. The hearing sessions for the Local Plan examination took place in November and December 2014. Consultation on main modifications recommended following the conclusion of the hearing sessions took place between February and April 2015.

Dorset-wide Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Site Allocations Joint DPD

This development plan will allocate suitable permanent and transit sites for Gypsies and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople for the next 15 years.

This is a joint development plan being prepared with all the local planning authorities within Dorset, with each Council individually agreeing draft documents for consultation and submission. The decision on whether or not to adopt the plan will also be made by each Council individually.

Public consultation on the Issues and Options (including site options) took place between November 2011 and February 2012. Nearly 10,000 individual responses were received in response to the consultation, along with a further 6,400 signatures to various petitions. A number of alternative sites to those set out in the consultation document were proposed as part of the consultation responses, and these sites need further examination.

In March 2012 the Government introduced a revised planning policy for traveller sites, which replaced the previous guidance under which the DPD was being produced. This new guidance requires planning authorities to reconsider the accommodation needs for travellers in their area, and needs to be taken into account in the production of the DPD.

The June 2013 LDS for West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland contained milestones for this DPD during the monitoring period, these are set out in figure 2.3.

Figure 2.3: Progress in delivering the Joint Gypsy & Traveller DPD against the LDS published in June 2013.

Stage in development	Target date for delivery	Target achieved
Further consultation on sites	November – December 2013	X

Following the Government publishing the Planning Policy for Traveller sites in March 2012, the Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Accommodation Assessment (GTAA) was updated and published in September 2013. Consultants then started work on assessing additional sites

which may be included in the DPD. Consultation on these additional sites took place in September and October 2014.

Neighbourhood Plans

Neighbourhood plans are planning policy documents prepared by local communities, giving local people the opportunity to influence the future of their area.

The first process in developing a neighbourhood plan is for those communities to apply to the local planning authority to suggest the area that they want to designate for their neighbourhood plan.

In the monitoring year 2013/14 West Dorset District Council received neighbourhood plan area applications for the following areas:

- Longburton
- Puddletown
- Bridport, Allington and Symondsburry (combined)
- Portland

These local communities are now developing their Neighbourhood Plans through community engagement and an understanding of the issues, with the assistance of the Council.

Community Infrastructure Levy

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is the mechanism for collecting financial contributions from developers towards the provision of infrastructure which is needed as a result of development.

West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland Councils have developed their CIL charging schedules in parallel, producing two separate charging schedules, one for each authority area, which take into account the infrastructure needs and development viability in each area.

In May 2013, the CIL charging schedules were considered by West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough Councils ahead of their submission to the Secretary of State for examination (Figure 2.4). No modifications were made to the tariff for Weymouth & Portland. However, on the 14th May 2013, West Dorset District Council Executive Committee agreed to make modifications to the CIL tariff for West Dorset. The modifications brought the charge against development at Crossways and Chickerell in-line with the rest of the district resulting in a uniform CIL rate across the district of West Dorset. This modification was subject to public consultation in June/July 2013 and the responses were sent to the Inspector for his consideration. Both tariffs were considered by the Inspector at the CIL examination in November/December 2014.

Figure 2.4: Progress in delivering the Community Infrastructure Levy against the timetable published in the LDS (June 2013).

Stage in development	Target date for delivery	Target achieved
Submission to Government	June 2013	✓
Public Examination	September 2013	X
Adoption and commencement	By April 2014	X

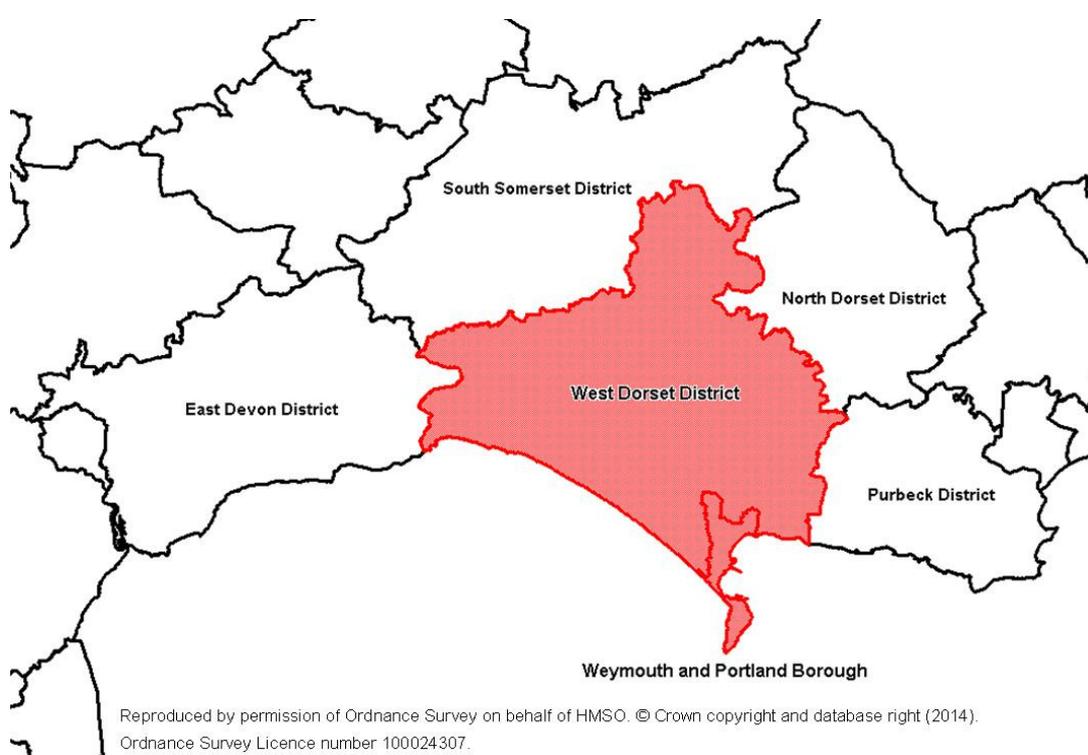
3. Duty to Cooperate

The legal duty to cooperate, introduced by Section 110 of the Localism Act (2011), requires local planning authorities to engage *'constructively, actively and on an ongoing basis'* with one another in the preparation of plans, and have regard to each other's other relevant activities.

The borough of Weymouth & Portland shares its boundary with the district of West Dorset (Figure 3.1), and this co-operation has been addressed by the preparation of the joint Local Plan.

The district of West Dorset shares boundaries with Weymouth and Portland and the East Devon, North Dorset, Purbeck, and South Somerset local authority areas.

Figure 3.1: A map showing the areas of jurisdiction for the district of West Dorset, the borough of Weymouth & Portland, and the surrounding local authorities.



The Councils prepared a Duty to Cooperate Statement¹ in June 2013, which explains in detail how the duty to cooperate has been satisfied during the preparation of the Local Plan.

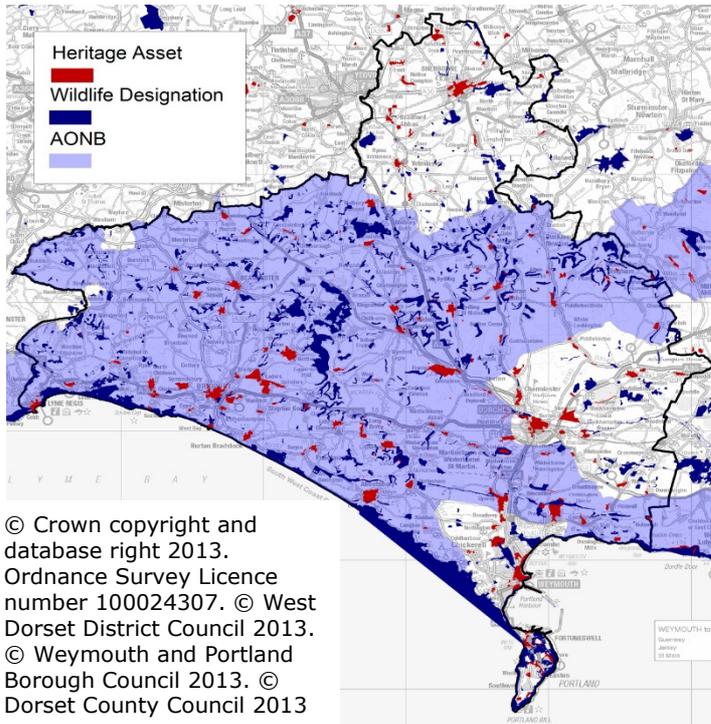
Discussions on Duty to Cooperate issues took place during the Hearing Sessions for the Local Plan Examination in November/December 2014. During 2013/14 and in the run up to the Local Plan Examination, discussions were held with East Devon District Council in relation to the cross boundary issues at Lyme Regis and with Purbeck District Council regarding cross boundary development issues at Crossways.

¹ <http://www.dorsetforyou.com/media.jsp?mediaid=185571&filetype=pdf>

4. Environment and Climate Change

Background

West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland is home to a diverse range of wildlife habitats and species, with approximately 10,900ha (9.6%) of the area designated at a local (5.6%), national (3.9%), and/or international level (2.8%).



The Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty designation recognises landscapes of particularly high quality and covers approximately 69% of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland. In addition, the vast majority of the coastline in this area is part of the Dorset and East Devon Coast World Heritage Site due to its outstanding geological and geomorphological value, with only a small section of coastline in Weymouth omitted.

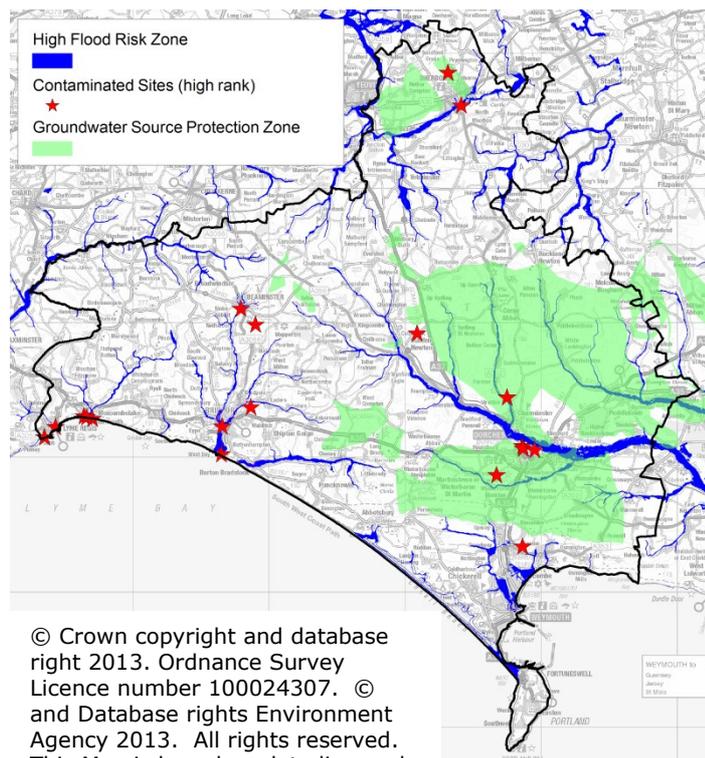
West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland has a rich historic heritage, with approximately 8,000 listed buildings, 90 Conservation Areas and numerous archaeological sites

present, and nationally important heritage assets designated as Scheduled Monuments.

Parts of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland have been identified as being at risk from fluvial or tidal flooding.

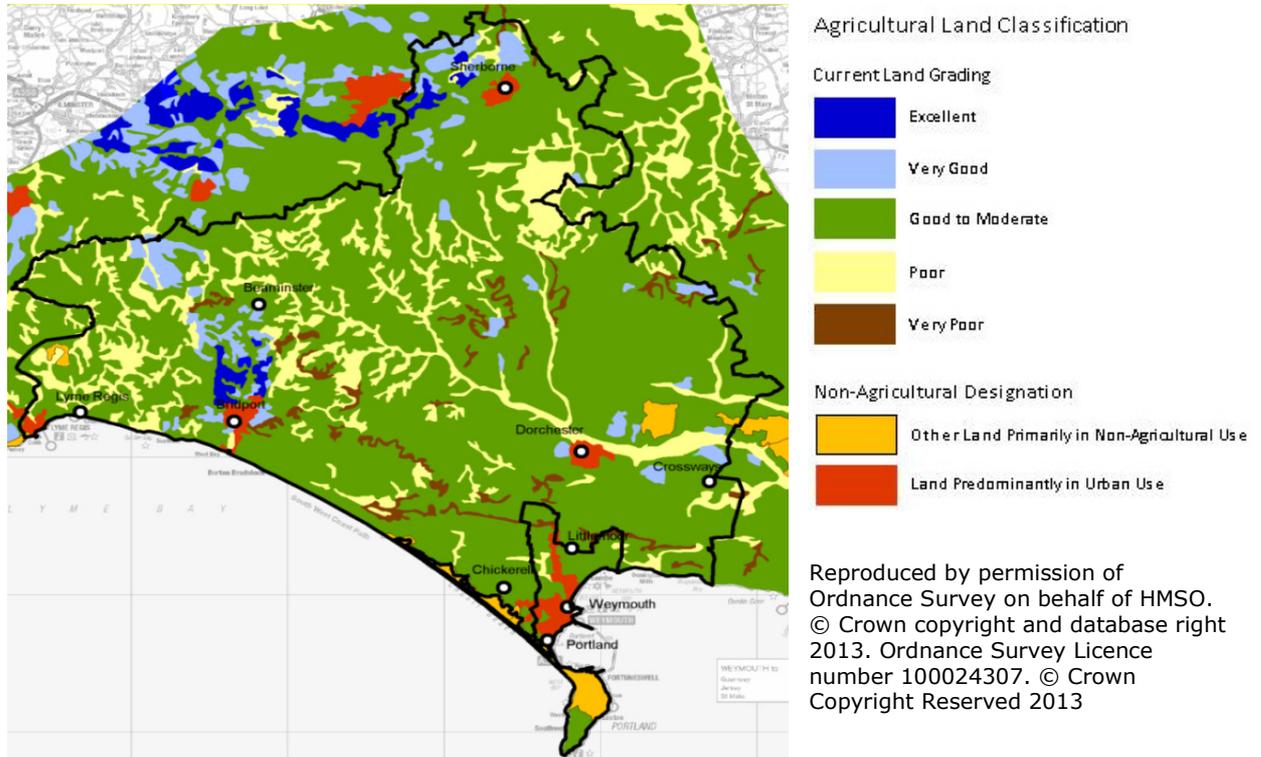
The groundwater resources which supply drinking water and are vulnerable to pollution are classified as Groundwater Source Protection Areas. Zone 1 denotes the most vulnerable areas, occupying 8% of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland, with 13% of Zone 2 designation and 7% of Zone 3.

West Dorset District Council's Contaminated Land Strategy identifies areas with a low, medium or high potential for contamination,

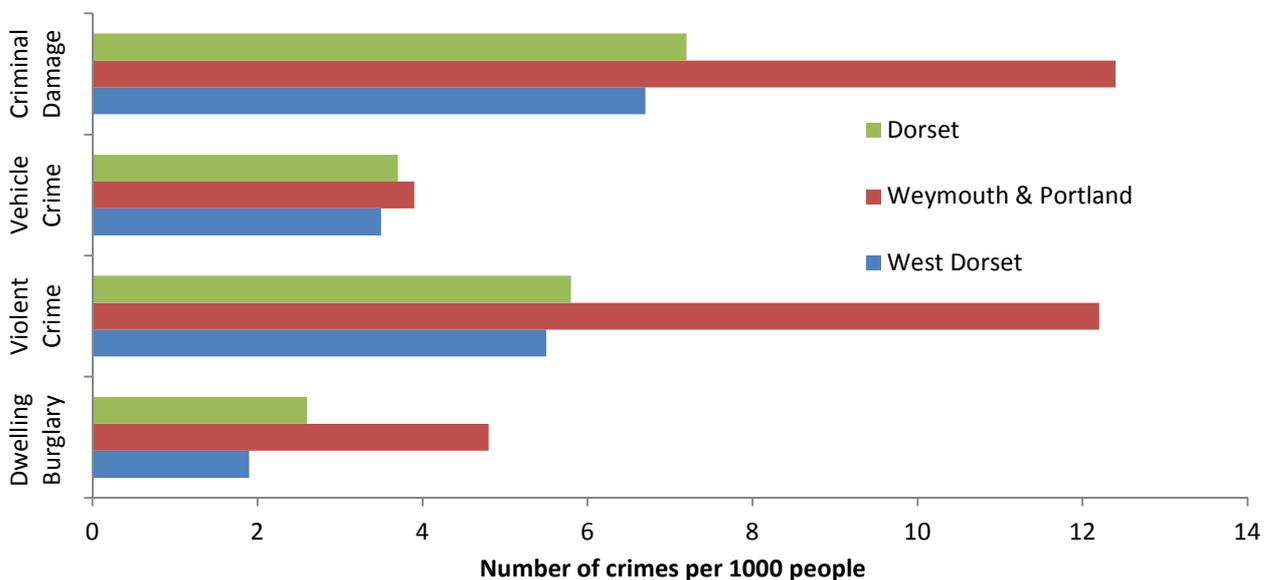


often on the basis of their historic use. A similar strategy is being developed for Weymouth and Portland.

The Agricultural Land Classification system classifies land into five grades, with the best and most versatile land defined as Grades 1, 2 and 3a. Grade 1 and 2 designations represent 21.25% of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland, with the highest grade land situated to the north of Bridport and to the west of Sherborne.



The Local Plan aims to encourage safe building design and layout in order to create a sense of safety and security, and reduce crime (ENV 11). West Dorset has a below average crime rate compared to Dorset as a whole. The incidence of crime in Weymouth and Portland is above the Dorset average, particularly with respect to violent crime, burglary and criminal damage.



Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:

 Target achieved	 Target not achieved	 Baseline year is monitoring year	 Data not available	 No target set
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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Target	Has the target been achieved?	
			WDDC	WPBC
ENV 2 Wildlife and Habitats	Change in areas designated for their intrinsic nature conservation value.	Net increase	✓	X
	Condition of sites designated for their nature conservation interest.	Net increase	X	✓
	Heathland bird populations.	No net decrease	✓	✓
	Visitor numbers to protected Heathland Sites	No net increase		
	Visitor numbers to SANGs following implementation	Net increase		
ENV 4 Heritage Assets	Number of designated heritage assets at risk.	No net increase	X	✓
	Number of conservation areas with up to date appraisals (assessed every 10 years)	At least 65%	X	
ENV 5 Flood Risk	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency on either flood defence grounds or water quality.	0	✓	✓
	The extent of the plan area that lies within flood zone 3.	No net increase	X	X
ENV 7 Coastal Erosion and Land Instability	Number of planning applications granted to support roll back in areas of coastal erosion and land instability.	No target set.	(0)	(0)

The monitoring for the wildlife and habitats policy (ENV 2) of the Local Plan showed that the area occupied by wildlife designations in West Dorset increased from a total of 9,147ha in 2012/13 to 9,184ha in 2013/14 due to the designation of Rampisham Down as a Site of Special Scientific Interest and the establishment of new regional wildlife sites including Duddle Heath and Puddletown Forest. However, there was a net decrease in the condition of the Sites of Special Scientific Interest in West Dorset during the 2013/14 monitoring year.

In Weymouth & Portland, whilst the area occupied by wildlife designations remained constant between 2012/13 and 2013/14, there had been a net improvement in the condition of these wildlife designations.

The other indicators for policy ENV 2 showed that the population of Heathland Birds at Winfrith and Tadnoll Heath had increased overall, with survey results showing an increase in the numbers of Dartford Warbler and Nightjar.

The monitoring of the policy on Heritage Assets (ENV 4) has shown an increase in the number of heritage assets at risk in West Dorset by 1, to give a total of 12. The number of heritage assets at risk in Weymouth & Portland has remained constant, at 3. The percentage of conservation areas with up to date appraisals across West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland was 64%, therefore narrowly missing the target of 65%.

There were no planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency or Dorset County Council on either flood defence grounds or water quality during the monitoring year 2013/14.

There has been a net increase between 2012/13 and 2013/14 in the amount of area designated within Flood Zone 3 in both West Dorset, which experienced a 195ha increase (0.16% increase in terms of total area of the district), and Weymouth & Portland, which experienced a 79ha increase (1.81% increase in total area of the borough).

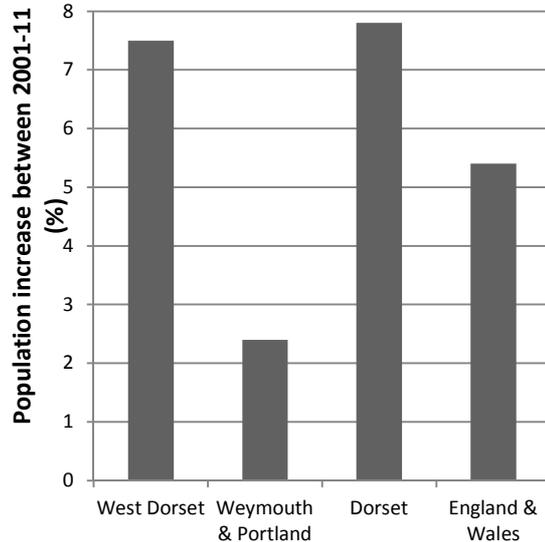
The roll back of development in areas affected by coastal erosion due to policy ENV 7 is yet to begin in West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland as this is dependent on the preparation of the Coastal Change Management Areas DPD.

5. Achieving a Sustainable Pattern of Development

Background

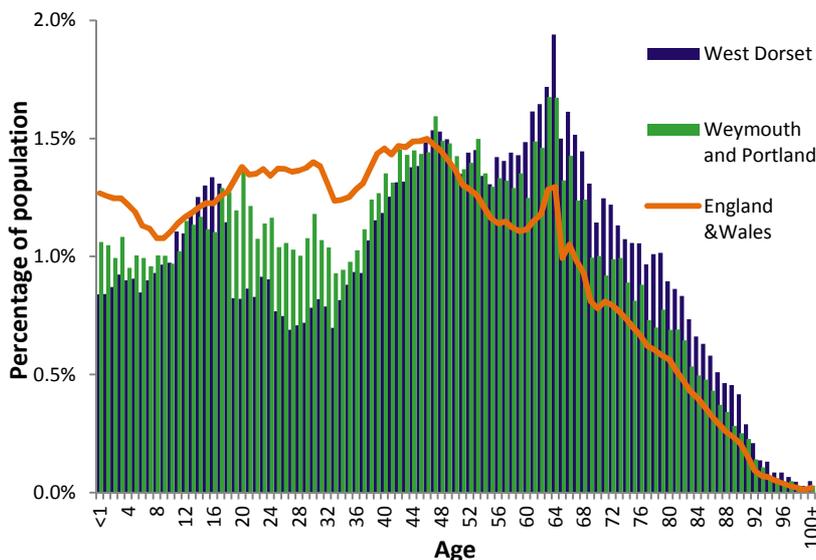
The Local Plan identifies sites in West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland which are suitable for development for housing and employment purposes. This additional housing and employment land is required to meet the area's needs.

West Dorset has experienced a population increase of 7.5% between 2001 and 2011, which is greater than in England and Wales (5.4%) and slightly less than Dorset (7.8%). Weymouth and Portland experienced a slower population growth rate of just 2.4% over this period, significantly below the Dorset and England & Wales average. In 2011, West Dorset had a population of 99,264, and Weymouth & Portland of 65,167, which contributed to a Dorset population of 412,095 and a population of over 56 million in England and Wales.



In 2012/13, there were 49,319 dwellings West Dorset and 30,997 dwellings in Weymouth & Portland. There has been a 9.6% increase in the number of households in West Dorset between 2001 and 2011, which is greater than in Dorset at (7.3%) and England & Wales at (7.6%). There has been a 4.8% increase in households in Weymouth & Portland during this period, which is below the Dorset and national averages.

The demand for additional housing is primarily due to domestic migration (people moving to this area from other parts of the country) creating an overall increase in the local population. It is projected that the net migration of people into West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland, will continue, with an estimated net increase of 10,700 people between 2011 and 2021.



West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland has a greater proportion of residents within the older populations brackets, aged 47 or more, than the England and Wales average. Accordingly, there is a smaller proportion of residents in the younger age group, with the exception of residents aged between 14 and 17 in West Dorset which is slightly greater than the national average. Future projections also indicate

that there will be a significant increase in the proportion of residents in the over 65 age group

and a decrease in the proportion of residents in the under 65 bracket, confirming an ageing population.

The delivery of employment land has averaged 3ha per year for West Dorset and 0.8ha per year for Weymouth and Portland over the last two decades. The economic demand for employment land is projected to change in future as the workforce changes due to the ageing population and net in-migration of people in the area.

The Local Plan distributes new development towards the larger and more sustainable settlements, and generally within the defined development boundaries (DDB) with the exception of some development types. There are 37 settlements with DDB in the local plan.



Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:

	Target achieved		Target not achieved		Baseline year is monitoring year		Data not available		No target set
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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
SUS 1 The Level of Economic and Housing Growth	Amount of land developed for employment by type and proportion on allocated sites	3 hectares per annum	X	
	Employment land supply (permissions, allocations and under construction)	At least 39ha (residual) in West Dorset and 15ha (residual) in Weymouth & Portland	✓	✓
	Annual housing completions within the plan area	775dpa	X	
	Five year supply of housing land within the plan area and by local planning authority area.	3,875 (775x5) + any shortfall from earlier in the plan period + buffer +5% (or +20% if there has been persistent under-delivery) as per national planning policy.		
SUS 4 Replacement of Buildings Outside Defined Development Boundaries	The number and location of completions for the re-use and replacement of buildings outside defined development boundaries by use	No target set.	31	4
SUS 5 Neighbourhood Development Plans	The number of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders adopted	No target set.	0	0
	Annual increase in housing land supply as a direct result of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders	No target set.	0	0

Whilst the target for the amount of land developed for employment use was not met in West Dorset or Weymouth & Portland in 2013/14, the indicator for employment land supply (which includes permissions, allocations and projects under construction) exceeded its target, indicating that land for employment use is available to meet future needs.

The overall target for the amount of new housing development of 775 dwellings per annum across the plan area was not reached, as a total of 372 houses were built during 2013/14. Updated data on the 5 year land supply will be available once the Government's Inspector publishes his report on the Local Plan in the Summer of 2015.

The indicators for policies SUS4 and SUS5 do not have a target to evaluate their performance. However, the monitoring showed that 31 buildings were re-used or replaced outside the defined development boundaries in West Dorset and 4 buildings in Weymouth and Portland. Also, there were no Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders or Community Right to Build Orders adopted within the plan area. More detailed data regarding these indicators is presented in Appendix B.

6. Economy

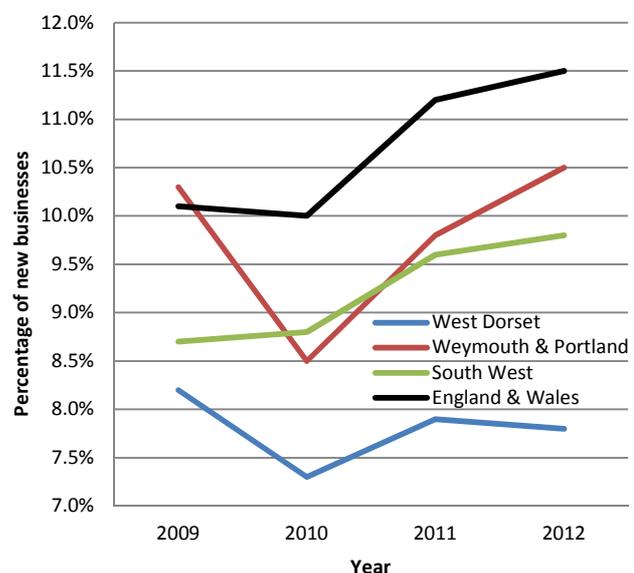
Background

The income of businesses in West Dorset has been rising in recent years. The gross value added ('GVA', which is a measure of the total business income in an area) in West Dorset has increased to above the South West average since 2011 but remains below the national average. The GVA in Weymouth and Portland has fluctuated in recent years, and remains significantly below the South West and national averages.

The majority of businesses in West Dorset, Weymouth and across the Southwest of England employ between 0-4 people (69% in West Dorset, 66% in Weymouth & Portland, and 68% in the South West), suggesting that most businesses are smaller in size.

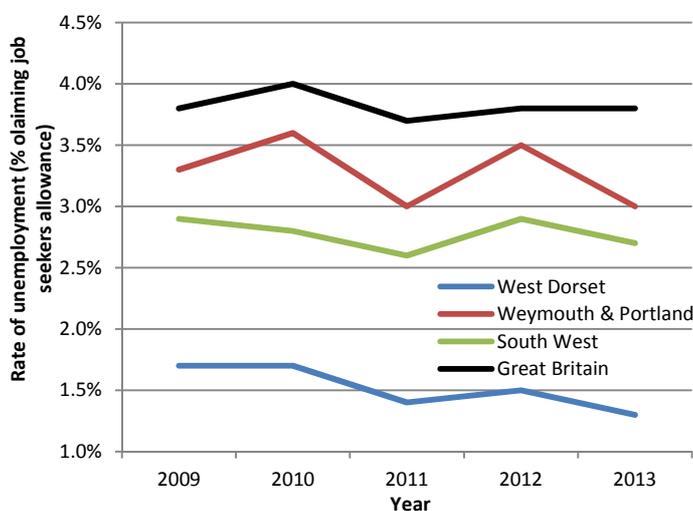
The number of new businesses in West Dorset is below that of Weymouth & Portland, Southwest England, and England and Wales. Furthermore, the proportion of new businesses opening in West Dorset has decreased from 8.2% in 2009 to 7.8% in 2012 whilst it has slightly increased in Weymouth & Portland to 10.3% of total businesses in 2009 and 10.5% in 2012, despite falling dramatically to 8.5% in 2010.

In comparison with the national average, West Dorset has a higher proportion of businesses within the accommodation and food services, health and arts, entertainment and recreation sectors, and a smaller proportion of businesses within the agriculture, forestry and fishing, business and admin support wholesale, retail sectors. A greater proportion of people are employed in the public administration and defence, social security sectors, and human health and social work with fewer



people employed in the finance and insurance and transport and storage sectors when compared with the national average. This perhaps reflects the presence of local authority and health organisations within West Dorset.

Weymouth & Portland has a higher proportion of businesses within the agriculture, fisheries and food sector in comparison with the national average. A greater proportion of people are employed in the accommodation and food services industries, with fewer people employed in

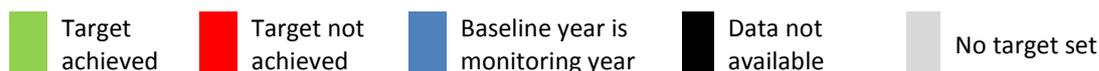


the finance and insurance and manufacturing sectors than the national average. This possibly reflects the dominance of the fishing and tourism industries in Weymouth & Portland.

Unemployment in West Dorset has decreased during the past 5 years from 1.7% in 2009 to 1.0% in 2014, and remains below the South West average of 2.1% and the national average of 3.2%. Unemployment in Weymouth and Portland has decreased during the past 5 years from 3.3% in 2009 to 2.5% in 2014, which is below the national average but above the South West average.

Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:



Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
ECON 2 Protection of Key Employment Sites	Area of land granted permission for non employment uses on Key Employment Sites	No target set	(0.3ha)	(0ha)
ECON 3 Protection of Other Employment Sites	Loss of employment land/premises to non employment uses	No target set	(1.99ha)	(0.26ha)
ECON 4 Retail and Town Centre Development	Map of primary and secondary frontage in use by retail, town centre and other uses	No more than 25% non retail uses in the primary frontages, and no more than 25% in secondary frontages		
	Amount of completed retail development each year and amount located in town centres	No target set	(0.08ha)	(7.3ha)
ECON 7 Caravan and Camping Sites	Planning approval for new/extensions to existing caravan and campsites in the Heritage Coast	No target set	(2)	(0)

The monitoring of the Local Plan's policies to protect employment sites from development of non-employment uses showed that in West Dorset, a total of 1.99ha was lost to non employment uses in 2013/14, with 0.3ha occurring on key employment sites. In Weymouth & Portland, a total of 0.26ha of employment land was lost to non-employment use, with none of this development occurring on key employment sites.

The surveying of primary and secondary frontages in town centre locations, for the monitoring of the policy on Retail and Town Centre Development (ECON 4), was not completed in 2013/14 due to resource constraints. However, the other monitoring indicator for ECON 4 showed that 0.08ha of land was developed for retail development in town centre locations in West Dorset, and 7.3ha in Weymouth & Portland during 2013/14.

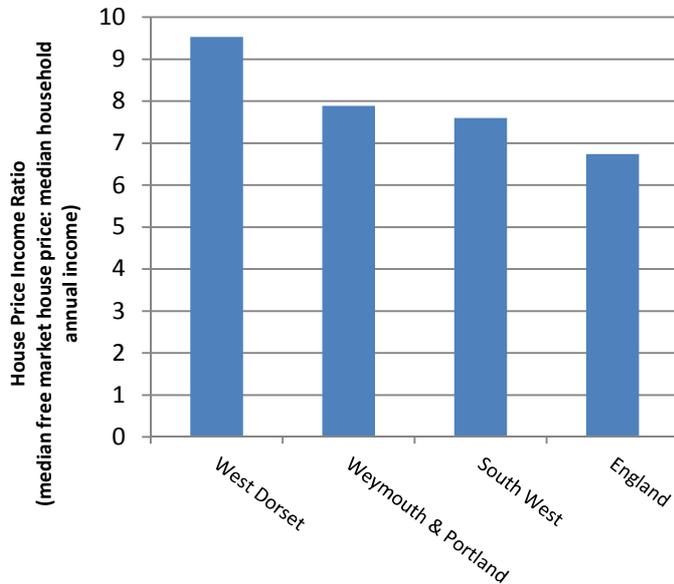
The monitoring of policy ECON 7 (Caravan and Camping Sites) showed that there were two planning applications approved in 2013/14 for extensions to, or the development of new,

caravan and camping sites within the Heritage Coast in West Dorset, and no applications approved in Weymouth & Portland.

7. Housing

Background

The Local Plan aims to provide more homes in West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland in order to meet the increased housing demands arising from the changing demographic and social needs, to



deliver affordable housing at a low enough cost for local people to afford and provide a range of house sizes and types to meet local needs.

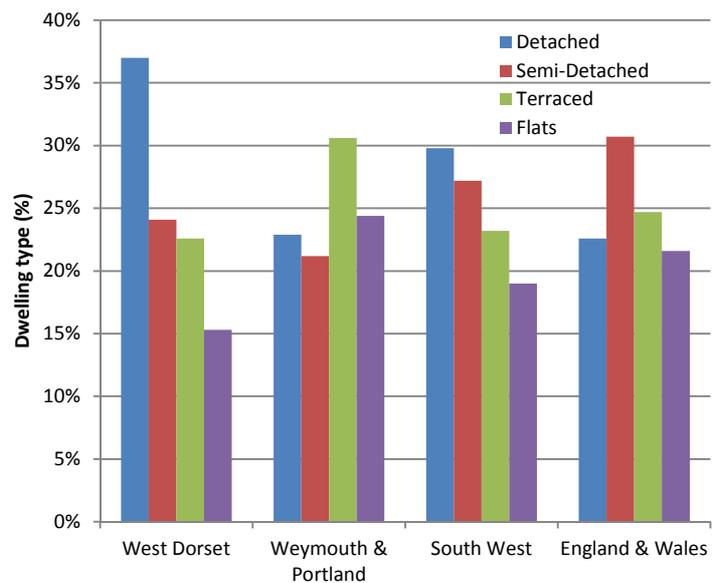
The average house price in West Dorset in 2010 (£248,250) was significantly higher than in the South West (£220,532) and nationally (£190,000). Whilst house prices are lower in Weymouth & Portland (£208,798) than the South West, average pay is also lower. However, the ratio of house prices to income is higher in both West Dorset (9.53) and Weymouth & Portland (7.89) than the South West (7.60) and nationally (6.74), suggesting

a disparity in house prices and incomes across both council areas which is particularly notable in West Dorset.

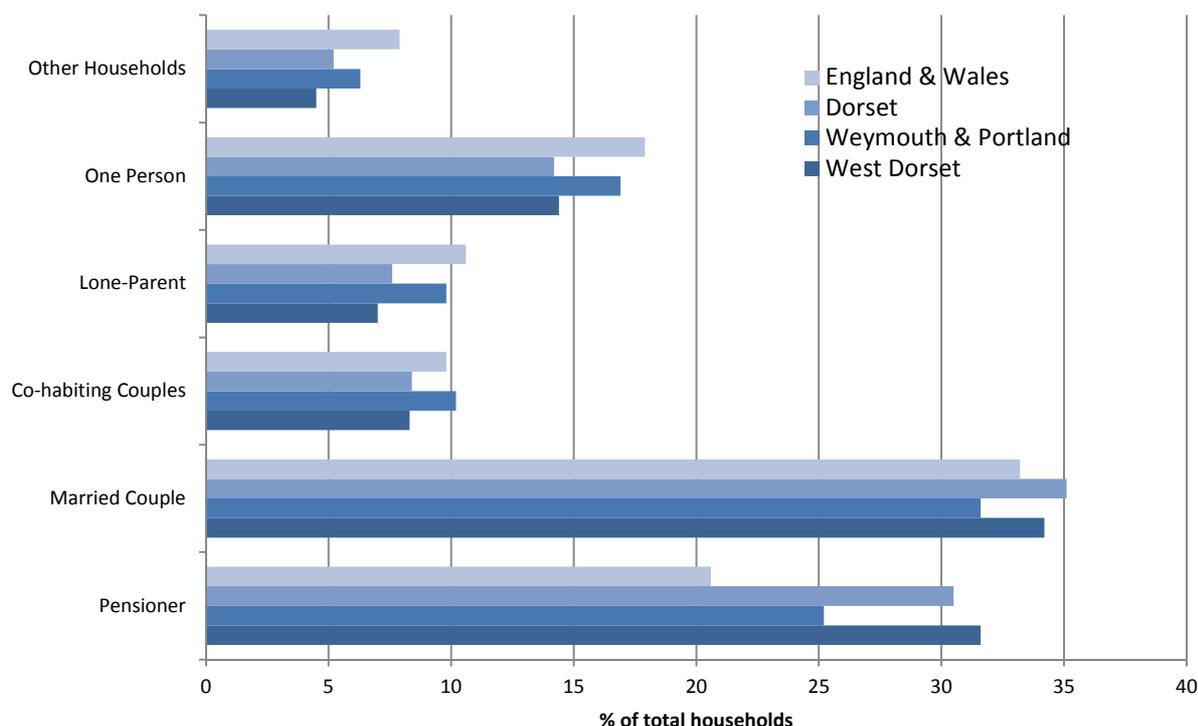
The average household size in West Dorset in 2011 was 2.2 people per household, below the Dorset average of 2.3 and national average of 2.4. The average household size in Weymouth and Portland was 2.3 people per household, in line with the Dorset average and below the national average.

West Dorset has a higher proportion of detached housing and a smaller proportion of flats than the South West and national averages. Weymouth and Portland has a higher proportion of terraced housing and flats than the South West and the national average.

The household composition in West Dorset is similar to that of Dorset as a whole, but in comparison with the national average the district has a smaller proportion of lone parents and sole occupancy households and a greater proportion of pensioners, reflecting the greater proportion of older residents in Dorset.

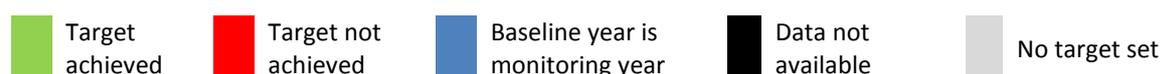


The household composition in Weymouth and Portland shows a lower proportion of married couples and a higher percentage of cohabiting couples than both the Dorset and national averages. The proportion of households occupied by lone parent and by one person in Weymouth & Portland is higher than the Dorset average but lower than experienced nationally. There is a lower proportion of pensioners occupying households than in Dorset, but still more than the national average.



Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:



Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
HOUS 1 Affordable Housing	The number of affordable housing units by size and tenure secured on-site through open market housing development, and the level of financial contribution secured towards delivery of affordable housing.	25% secured in Portland and 35% secured in Weymouth and West Dorset for development schemes of over the Government's affordable housing thresholds.	X	X
	The amount of money collected for affordable housing development schemes.	No target set	(161K)	(0K)

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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
HOUS 2 Affordable Housing Exception Sites	The number of affordable housing units completed on exception sites.	No target set.	(7)	(0)
HOUS 3 Open Market Housing Mix	The number of homes permitted by size (bedrooms) and type.	No target set.	-	-

* No financial contributions received

During 2012/13, there were 39 affordable housing units secured through open market development in West Dorset and 24 in Weymouth & Portland. There were also 7 affordable housing units provided on exception sites in West Dorset. The monitoring of policy HOUS 1 indicated that the target for the amount of affordable housing secured through open market housing was not met in West Dorset or Weymouth & Portland in 2013/14, since the amount of affordable housing units secured was lower than the 25% requirement for Portland and the 35% requirement for Weymouth and West Dorset. There are likely to be a number of reasons for this including that the delivery of affordable housing was based on the targets and thresholds in the previous Local Plan, thus preventing smaller development from contributing towards affordable housing. Also, the exceptional costs on a number of development schemes have prevented affordable housing coming forward due to viability issues.

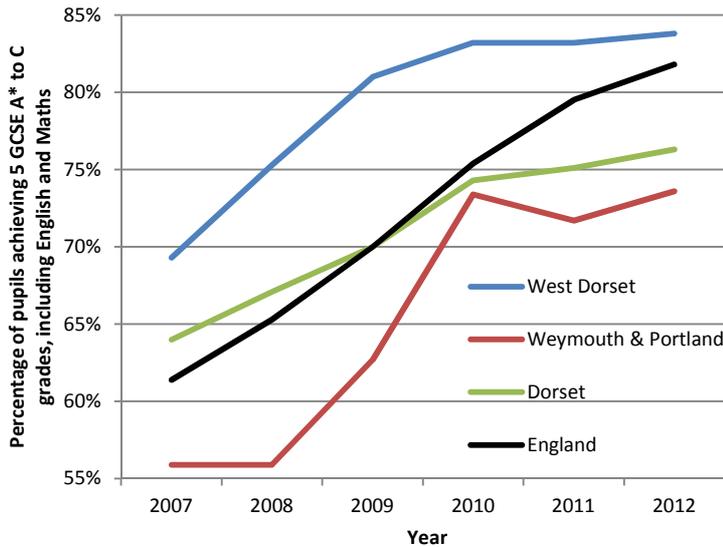
In 2013/14, there was approximately £161,000 collected for off-site affordable housing schemes in West Dorset. No contributions were collected in Weymouth & Portland.

There were 7 affordable housing units completed in West Dorset on exception sites in 2013/14. No affordable housing units were completed on exception sites in Weymouth and Portland in 2013/14.

8. Community Needs and Infrastructure

Background

The Local Plan aims to provide the facilities and infrastructure required by communities in West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland. Safe and easy access to good services is critical to healthcare, education and general well-being. The provision of utilities such as water and energy are also important to the modern way of living – both in terms of health and building a strong economy.

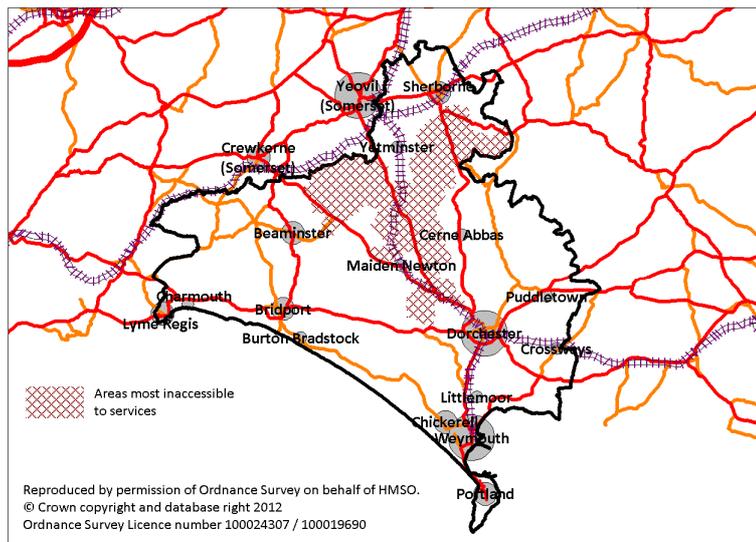


In 2012, 83.8% of pupils in West Dorset achieved 5 or more GCSE A* to C grades (including maths and English) in 2012, greater than the Dorset (76.3%) and nationwide averages (81.8%). The best achieving school in West Dorset was Sherborne School, where 99% of pupils attained 5 or more GCSE A* to C grades. In comparison, 73.6% of pupils in Weymouth & Portland achieved 5 or more GCSE A* to C grades in 2012, below the Dorset and England averages. The best achieving school in Weymouth & Portland was Budmouth

College, where 56% of pupils attained 5 or more GCSE A* to C grades.

The transport infrastructure varies considerably across West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland, with the A35 trunk road and railway network providing better transport links in some areas, with other locations being more remote and less accessible.

The mode of transport used to commute to work gives an indication of the transport characteristics of the area. In 2011, only 2.1% of people commuted to work using public transport in West Dorset, and 5.3% in Weymouth & Portland, both of which are far less than the national average of 10.5%. More people travel by bike or by foot in West Dorset (10.7%) and Weymouth & Portland (also 10.7%) than the national average (8.1%). This perhaps reflects the difficulties in using public transport services in West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland.



The majority of renewable energy is derived from solar photovoltaics in West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland in 2013/14, with 66% of the total amount of renewable energy generated coming from this technology in West Dorset, and 82% in Weymouth & Portland.

Performance of Planning Policies

Legend:

 Target achieved	 Target not achieved	 Baseline year is monitoring year	 Data not available	 No target set
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Policy	Monitoring Indicator	Has the target been achieved?	WDDC	WPBC
COM 2 New or Improved Local Community Buildings & Structures	The number of new community facilities available within the plan area	No target set	(3)	(0)
COM 3 The Retention of Local Community Buildings and Structures	Number of approved applications for change of use from shops, garages, public houses and community buildings to other non-community uses.	No net loss	✓	X
COM 5 The Retention of Open Space and Recreational Facilities	Number of approved applications for the development or change of use of open space, including playing fields, recreational areas and allotments	No target set	(0)	(0)
COM 11 Renewable Energy Development	Annual energy generation by installed capacity and type	Net increase in installed capacity by type	✓	✓

The monitoring showed that the policy on the Retention of Local Community Buildings and Structures (COM 3) in the Local Plan has been successful in preventing the loss of community buildings and structures in West Dorset but not in Weymouth and Portland. During 2013-14, there was a net gain of 1 community facility in West Dorset. However, there was a net loss of 4 community facilities lost in Weymouth & Portland during this period.

There were no approved applications for the development or change of use of open space, (including playing fields, recreational areas and allotments) in West Dorset, Weymouth or Portland.

The monitoring for the policy on renewable energy (COM 11) showed a net increase in the installed capacity of renewable energy development between 2012/13 to 2013/14 in both West Dorset, where the total installed capacity increased from 18.96MW to 32.51MW, and Weymouth and Portland, where it increased from 3.23MW to 10.17MW.

Appendix A: Data on the Characteristics of West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland

Population

Population Size		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Population		100,030 usual residents	65,130 usual residents	416,720 usual residents
Increase since 2001		6,914 (7.5% increase)	1,502 (2.4% increase)	21,115 (7.8% increase)	4,033,996 (5.4% increase)
Population Structure	Age band	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	0-14	14,437 (14.5%)	10,166 (15.6%)	62,199 (15.1%)	9,891,138 (17.6%)
	15-64	58,529 (59.0%)	41,446 (63.6%)	245,851 (59.7%)	36,961,701 (65.9%)
	65 and over	24,768 (25.0%)	12,968 (19.9%)	98,517 (23.9%)	8,794,056 (15.7%)
	90 and over	1,530 (1.5%)	587 (0.9%)	5,628 (1.3%)	429,017 (0.8%)
Population Density	person per hectare, 2011	0.92	15.61	1.62	3.71
Ethnicity		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	% White British	95.7	94.9	95.5	80.5
	% Black & Minority ethnic	4.3	5.1	4.5	19.5

Source: 2011 Census ONS

Households

Total Number of Households (dwellings with at least one usual resident)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Households in 2001	40,500	27,200	167,998	21,660,475
	Households in 2011	44,400	28,500	180,213	23,336,044
	% increase	9.6%	4.8%	7.3%	7.6%
Average Household Size (persons)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Persons per household	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.4
Household Composition (% of households)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Pensioner	31.6	25.2	30.5	20.6
	Married Couple	34.2	31.6	35.1	33.2
	Co-habiting Couples	8.3	10.2	8.4	9.8
	Lone-Parent	7.0	9.8	7.6	10.6
	One Person	14.4	16.9	14.2	17.9
	Other Households	4.5	6.3	5.2	7.9

Source: 2011 Census ONS

Dwellings

No. of Dwellings		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	In 2011	49,319	30,997	273,297	24,359,880
	In 2014	49,611	31,218	-	-
Dwelling Type (2011)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England & Wales
	Detached	37.0%	22.9%	29.8%	22.6%
	Semi-Detached	24.1%	21.2%	27.2%	30.7%
	Terraced	22.6%	30.6%	23.2%	24.7%
	Flats	15.3%	24.4%	19.0%	21.6%
Tenure (2011)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England & Wales
	Owned Outright	44.1%	36.5%	35.4%	30.8%
	Owned with a Mortgage or loan	25.4%	30.3%	32.0%	32.7%
	Private Rented	13.7%	17.8%	17.1%	16.7%
	Social rented from Local Authority/other	13.9%	13.6%	13.3%	17.6%
	Shared ownership	0.8%	0.6%	0.8%	0.8%
	Living rent free	2.1%	1.2%	1.4%	1.4%
Amenities (2011)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England & Wales
	With Central Heating	96.3%	96.1%	96.4%	97.3%
	Without Central Heating	3.7%	3.9%	3.6%	2.7%
Second Homes & Vacant Homes (2011)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England
	% Dwellings as second homes	6.6%	3.0%	No data	No data
	% Vacant properties	2.9%	2.9%	1.0%	1.2%

Sources: 2011 Census ONS and Council Tax Registers in 2011 and 2014.

Crime

Crime type (per 1,000 population)	West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland		Dorset	
	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14
Dwelling Burglary (per 1,000 households)	2.4 (↓4%)	1.9 (↓21%)	4.9 (↓32%)	4.8 (↓2%)	2.7 (↓21%)	2.6 (↓4%)
Violent Crime	5.4 (↓18%)	5.5 (↑2%)	14.3 (↓30%)	12.2 (↓15%)	6.4 (↓17%)	5.8 (↓9%)
Vehicle Crime	3.3 (↓13%)	3.5 (↑6%)	4.2 (↓7%)	3.9 (↓7%)	4.0 (↓11%)	3.7 (↓7%)
Criminal Damage (inc. Arson)	6.9 (↓24%)	6.7 (↑3%)	14.4 (↓19%)	12.4 (↓14%)	7.8 (↓16%)	7.2 (↓8%)

Sources: Dorset Police (with rate calculations, processing and formatting by Drug Action and Community Safety Team, DCC)

Social

Indices of Multiple Deprivation (Multiple deprivation is a measure of deprivation relating to health and disability, education, skills and training, barriers to housing and services, the living environment and crime. The data is based on Super Output Areas (SOAs), of which there are 32,482 nationally, and 57 within West Dorset and 39 within Weymouth & Portland).	West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland	
	The Skilling in Bridport SOA remains ranked as the most deprived in West Dorset, the 12 th most deprived SOA in Dorset, and the 6,220th most deprived SOA nationally. The other seriously deprived area is Court Orchard in Bridport .		The Melcombe Regis Town Centre SOA in the borough of Weymouth & Portland remains ranked as the most deprived in Dorset together being ranked 1,721st most deprived SOA nationally. Other seriously deprived areas in Weymouth & Portland include Littlemoor West, Westham North and Fortuneswell North . 9 of the top 10 deprived wards in Dorset are to be found in Weymouth and Portland.	
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England
Average gross Weekly Pay	£506	£449	£476	£508
Average House Prices	£248,250	£208,798	£220,532	£190,000
House Price Income Ratio (ratio of the median free market house price and median household annual income)	9.53	7.89	7.60	6.74
Accessibility (defined as Geographical Access to Services)	West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland	
	2 of West Dorset SOAs are within the 20% least accessible nationally. 10 of West Dorset's SOAs within the top 20% locally.		10 of Weymouth and Portland's SOAs are within the top 20% least accessible nationally. 23 of Weymouth and Portland's SOAs within the top 20% locally.	

Sources: 2010 Index of Multiple Deprivation

Health

Life expectancy (years)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England & Wales
In April 2014	Males	81.0	78.6	80.0	79.2
	Females	85.0	83.1	83.9	83.0
Long Term Health problem or disability		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	In 2011	27.8%	29.9%	27.7%	25.9%

Sources: 2011 Census ONS

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Economy

Headline Gross Value Added (£ per head of resident population). A measure of business income		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England
	2007	17,157	10,134	18,400	20,681
	2008	17,982	10,497	18,632	20,992
	2009	19,134	11,018	18,244	20,531
	2010	18,359	10,603	18,798	21,054
	2011	19,441	11,095	19,093	21,349
	2012	20,407	10,126	19,023	21,937
Unemployment Rate (number or percentage of people claiming Job Seekers Allowance benefits in March of the year)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	Great Britain
	2009	942 (1.7%)	1,298 (3.3%)	2.9%	3.8%
	2010	911 (1.7%)	1,387 (3.6%)	2.8%	4.0%
	2011	810 (1.4%)	1,155 (3.0%)	2.6%	3.7%
	2012	837 (1.5%)	1,369 (3.5%)	2.9%	3.8%
	2013	717 (1.3%)	1,224 (3.0%)	2.7%	3.8%
	2014	546 (1.0%)	985 (2.5%)	2.1%	3.2%
Number of firms (according to the number of employees in 2013)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	
	Total firms	5,850	2,020	241,265	
	0-4	4,015 (69%)	1,335 (66%)	68.3%	
	5-9	935 (16%)	315 (16%)	15.1%	
	10-49	765 (13%)	205 (15%)	13.6%	
	50-249	120 (2%)	60 (3%)	2.6%	
	250+	15 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	0.4%	
Number of firms within each business sector in 2013	Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing	65 (3.2%)	1,005 (17.2%)	9.8%	
	Production	105 (5.2%)	350 (6.0%)	5.8%	
	Construction	255 (11.1%)	565 (9.7%)	10.9%	
	Motor Trade	40 (2.0%)	190 (3.2%)	3.3%	
	Wholesale	45 (2.2%)	235 (4.0%)	4.1%	
	Retail	105 (5.2%)	620 (10.6%)	10.6%	
	Transport & storage	65 (3.2%)	100 (1.7%)	2.9%	
	Accommodation and food	285 (14.1%)	405 (6.9%)	7.1%	
	Information and comms	75 (3.7%)	175 (3.0%)	5.7%	
	Finance & insurance	25 (1.2%)	85 (1.5%)	2.1%	
	Property	60 (3.0%)	205 (3.5%)	3.4%	
	Professional, scientific & technical	200 (9.9%)	705 (12.1%)	12.7%	
	Business admin and support	95 (4.7%)	315 (5.4%)	6.2%	
	Public admin and defence	25 (1.2%)	75 (1.3%)	1.1%	
	Education	50 (2.5%)	110 (1.9%)	2.4%	

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Health	155 (7.7%)	320 (5.5%)	5.6%
Arts, entertainmt, recreation	170 (8.4%)	390 (6.7%)	6.3%
TOTAL	2,020	5,850	241,505

Sources: Dorset County Council based on data from the Land Economy Forecasting Model (Cambridge Econometrics 2013). NOMIS Official Labour Market Statistics, ONS including claimant count data, UK Business: Activity, Size and Location 2013, Business register and employment survey 2012, and annual survey of hours and earnings 2012.

Number of people in employment by sector in 2013 (please note that data on the mining and quarrying, and electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply industries is unavailable due to confidentiality)	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West
Employees	46,100	17,400	2,245,800
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,000 (2%)	100 (0%)	1%
Manufact'ng	4,700 (10%)	600 (4%)	10%
Water waste sewerage,	300 (1%)	100 (<1%)	1%
Construction	2,600 (6%)	800 (4%)	5%
Wholesale / retail trade; motor repair	6,800 (15%)	3,700 (21%)	17%
Transport and storage	600 (1%)	600 (4%)	4%
Accom'dtion and food	4,300 (9%)	3,300 (19%)	9%
Information and comms	500 (1%)	100 (1%)	3%
Financial & insurance activities	500 (1%)	200 (1%)	4%
Real estate activities	1,100 (2%)	200 (1%)	2%
Professional, scientific & technical	2,300 (5%)	1,000 (6%)	6%
Admin and support services	1,500 (3%)	400 (2%)	6%
Public admin & defence; social secr'ty	4,900 (11%)	1,000 (7%)	5%
Education	4,500 (10%)	2,000 (11%)	10%
Human health and social work	8,500 (18%)	2,400 (14%)	15%
Arts, entertainmt & recreation	1,100 (2%)	600 (3%)	2%
Other services	700 (2%)	300 (2%)	2%

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Number of new businesses (and in brackets, the percentage of new businesses compared with total businesses)		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	England & Wales
	2009	390 (8.2%)	200 (10.3)	18,000 (8.7%)	236,000 (10.1%)
	2010	345 (7.3%)	165 (8.5%)	18,000 (8.8%)	235,000 (10.0%)
	2011	370 (7.9%)	185 (9.8%)	20,000 (9.6%)	261,000 (11.2%)
	2012	365 (7.8%)	195 (10.5%)	20,235 (9.8%)	248,245 (11.5%)
Average Earnings 2013		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	South West	
	Residence	£502.7	£445.7	£613.3	
	Workplace	£472.4	£425.9	£657.7	

Source: Data provided by DCC

Environment

Ecological designation	West Dorset			Weymouth & Portland		
	Area Hectares	Percentage area covered	Difference (ha) 2013 - 2014	Area Hectares	Percentage area covered	Difference (ha) 2013 - 2014
International	2,563	2.4%	0	625	14.5	0
National	3,646	3.4%	+72ha (1%)	803	18.7	0
Regional	5,189	4.8%	+38ha (1%)	1,191	27.7	0
All	9,184	8.4%	+37ha (0.4%)	1,754	40.8	0

Sources: Dorset County Council and Natural England

Travel

Method of travelling for commute in 2011		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England & Wales
	Work mainly at or from home	11.6%	6.2%	9.5%	6.6%
	Tram/train/bus/coach/taxi	2.1%	5.3%	2.7%	10.5%
	Motorbike/scooter/moped	0.6%	1.0%	0.7%	0.5%
	Driving a car or van	36.8%	35.4%	39.9%	35.1%
	Passenger in a car or van	2.8%	3.5%	3.0%	3.2%
	Bicycle/walk on foot	10.7%	10.7%	8.8%	8.1%
	Other	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%
Not in employment	35.0%	37.4%	35.2%	35.5%	
Car Ownership		West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England
	Households with Cars	82.5%	75.3%	84.5%	74.2%

Sources: 2011 Census ONS

Education

Qualifications (percentage of pupils in 2012 of key stage 4 achieving 5 or more GCSE grades A* to C inc Maths and English).	Year	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset	England
	2012	83.8%	73.6%	76.3%	81.8%
	2011	83.2%	71.7%	75.1%	79.5%
	2010	83.2%	73.4%	74.3%	75.4%
	2009	81.0%	62.7%	70.0%	70.0%
	2008	75.3%	55.9%	67.1%	65.3%
	2007	69.3%	55.9%	64.0%	61.4%

Sources: Department for Education. Education and skills in your area (Local Authority) 2012 exam results

Appendix B: Data on Monitoring Indicators

ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats									
Indicator = Change in areas designated for their intrinsic nature conservation value									
	TOTAL AREA (Ha)	International		National		Regional		All	
		Area (ha)	%	Area (Ha)	%	Area (Ha)	%	Area (Ha)	%
2011/12									
West Dorset	108,703	2,563	2.4	3,574	3.4	5,007	4.6	9,010	8.3
Weymouth & Portland	4,298	625	14.5	803	18.7	1,192	27.7	1,755	40.8
2012/13									
West Dorset	108,703	2,563	2.4	3,574	3.4	5,007	4.6	9,147	8.4
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Source: Natural England and Dorset Environmental Records Centre

West Dorset SSSI 's assessment description figures by Area (ha)							
Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable	Date of Latest survey
River Axe (West Dorset Section)			0.19				08/12/10
Abbotsbury Blind Lane						0.19	05/03/12
Abbotsbury Castle					34.89		30/10/12
Aunt Mary's Bottom						8.20	13/06/11
Babylon Hill						1.08	14/01/09
Batcombe Down			16.06			2.42	07/06/13
Black Hill Down			19.12		2.75	40.45	19/03/13
Blackdown and Hardy Monument					2.30	19.54	20/10/11

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Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable	Date of Latest survey
Bracket's Copp & Ryewater Farm				1.55	21.03	31.17	26/03/13
Bradford Abbas Railway cutting						1.38	08/03/12
Burton Bradstock						0.10	05/03/12
Chalbury Hill and Quarry			10.37			1.61	05/09/11
Conegar Road cutting						0.15	15/01/09
Corton Cutting						0.24	05/03/12
Court Farm Sydling						83.16	21/06/13
Crookhill Brick Pit						4.71	25/03/09
Drakenorth			20.87		2.59	2.75	07/09/12
Eggardon Hill and Luccas Farm			5.06		8.38	130.92	05/08/11
Frogden Quarry						0.02	14/01/09
Frome St Quintin					23.45	9.20	29/03/13
Giant Hill					42.78	41.30	01/04/14
Goathill Quarry						0.26	08/03/12
Halfway House Quarry			0.87				05/11/10
Haydon and Askerswell Down			35.87		27.26	44.26	25/03/13
Holnest						54.82	28/10/12
Holway Hill Quarry						0.11	25/02/09
Horn Park Quarry						2.67	27/01/09
Lambert's			2.34	2.29	64.82	39.78	18/08/14

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Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable	Date of Latest survey
Castle							
Langford Meadow					7.78		10/06/12
Low's Hill Quarry			0.78				14/01/09
Lyscombe and Highdon					16.78	62.09	11/07/12
Mapperton and Poorton Vales			20.72	18.30	29.02	17.17	29/01/14
Melbury Park				6.68	98.33	154.39	30/05/12
Morcombela ke				11.70	2.93	8.31	25/11/10
Peashill Quarry						0.43	15/01/09
Pitcombe Down					2.12	10.99	12/05/11
Powerstock Common and Wytherston Fm			1.56	20.58	82.51	57.04	29/01/14
Poxwell						0.44	07/09/11
Rampisham Down			71.98				06/08/13
River Frome (West Dorset section)			5.65	40.74	7.21		22/10/10
Sandford Lane Quarry						0.75	08/03/12
South Dorset Coast*				2.08	8.15	131.74	12/03/15
Sydling Valley Downs						73.99	28/06/13
Toller Porcorum			2.30		143.99	58.02	26/03/13
Trill Quarry						1.40	20/01/09
Valley of Stones						80.39	01/06/11
Warmwell Heath			1.13	5.05	49.26		29/11/10

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West Dorset SSSI 's assessment description figures by Area (ha)							
Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable	Date of Latest survey
West Dorset Coast				11.12	106.71	480.66	17/02/14
Whetley Meadows					1.07	6.99	08/06/11
Woolcombe						18.11	17/11/10
Wootton Fitzpaine					1.29	8.34	15/07/11
TOTAL	0	0	214.87	120.09	749.16	1679.85	

Source: Natural England

ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats							
Indicator = condition of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) sites (2013/14)							
Weymouth and Portland SSSI 's assessment description figures by Area (ha)							
Site	Destroyed	Part Destroyed	Unfavourable Declining	Unfavourable no change	Unfavourable Recovering	Favourable	Date
Lodmoor					38.74	36.15	18/08/10
Chesil and Fleet			5.53		141.32	836.30	04/03/14
Isle of Portland	0.95		31.97	23.72	165.52	129.89	15/03/12
Lorton					15.25	6.08	21/10/10
Nicodemus Heights			0.88			7.03	09/06/10
Portland Harbour Shore		1.03		6.17		20.88	03/05/13
Radipole Lake				16.87	79.08		15/03/12
Upwey Quarries & Bincombe Down				1.40		5.10	25/02/14
White Horse Hill					52.44	7.57	30/09/13
Total	0.95	1.03	38.38	48.16	492.35	1049.00	

Source: Natural England

ENV 2: Wildlife and Habitats	
Indicator = Heathland bird population (at Winfrith and Tadnoll in 2013/14)	
Species	Number of Birds

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Dartford Warbler	13
Nightjar	18
Woodlark	0

Source: Report titled "Trends in Annex I birds Dorset Heaths", published by Footprint Ecology

ENV 4: Heritage Assets					
Indicator = Number of heritage assets at risk					
Number of heritage assets at risk 2012		Number of heritage assets at risk 2013		Number of heritage assets at risk 2014	
West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
12	4	11	3	12	3

Source: English Heritage's 'Heritage at Risk Register' (South West)

ENV 4: Heritage Assets		
Indicator = Number of Conservation Areas with up to date appraisals (assessed every 10 years)		
Number of conservation areas	Number of conservation area appraisals	Percentage of conservation areas with appraisals
94	60	64%

Source: WDDC and WPBC records

ENV 5: Flood Risk	
Indicator = Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency or Dorset County Council on either flood defence grounds or water quality (2013/14)	
Environment Agency	
0	

Source: Environment Agency and WDDC & WPBC databases

ENV 5: Flood Risk		
Indicator = The extent of the plan area that lies within flood zone 3 (2013/14)		
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Local Plan Area (ha)	108,703	4,298
Total approximate Plan Area (ha) in Flood Zone 3 (May 2012)	3,661	431
% of Plan Area in Flood Zone 3 (May 2012)	3.38	10.06
Total approximate Plan Area (ha) in Flood Zone 3 (Feb 2013)	3,656	431
% of Plan Area in Flood Zone 3 (Feb 2013)	3.37	10.06
Total approximate Plan Area (ha) in Flood Zone 3 (March 2014)	3,851	510
% of Plan Area in Flood Zone 3 (March 2014)	3.54	11.87

Source: Environment Agency and Council records

ENV 7: Coastal Erosion and Land Instability

Indicator – Number of planning applications granted to support roll back in areas of coastal erosion and land instability (2013/14)

West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
0	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC databases

SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth

Indicator = Amount of land developed for employment by type and proportion on allocated sites (2013/14)

	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
B1(a) Allocated	0ha	0ha
B1(a) Completed	0.08ha	0ha
B1 (Other) Allocated	0ha	0ha
B1 (Other) Completed	2.37ha	0.63ha
B2 Allocated	0ha	0ha
B2 Completed	1.21ha	0ha
B8 Allocated	0ha	0ha
B8 Completed	0.57ha	0ha
Mixed Allocated	0ha	0ha
Mixed Completed	0.64ha	1.50ha

Source: DCC, WPBC and WDDC.

SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth

Indicator = Employment land supply (2013/14)

	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Planning Permission	41.10ha	15.15ha
Allocation	30.10ha	4.37ha
Under construction	3.37ha	2.45ha

Source: DCC

SUS 1: The Level of Economic and Housing Growth

Indicator = The annual housing completions within the plan area and by local planning authority area (1st April 2013 – 31st March 2014).

	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Plan Area Total
Number completions	259	113	372

Source: DCC

SUS 4: The replacement of building outside defined development boundaries

Indicator = The number and location of planning permissions granted for the re-use and replacement

of building outside defined development boundaries by use (2013-14).		
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Tourism	10	1
Employment	7	3
Residential	14	1
Community	0	0
Mixed	0	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC

Please note: Figures currently given are based on planning permissions

SUS 5: Neighbourhood Development Plans				
Indicator = The number of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders adopted (2013/14)				
Indicator = Annual increase in housing land supply as a direct result of Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders (2013/14)				
	West Dorset		Weymouth & Portland	
	Plans / Orders	Land Supply	Plans / Orders	Land Supply
Neighbourhood plans	0	0	0	0
Neighbourhood Development Orders	0	0	0	0
Community Right to Build Orders	0	0	0	0

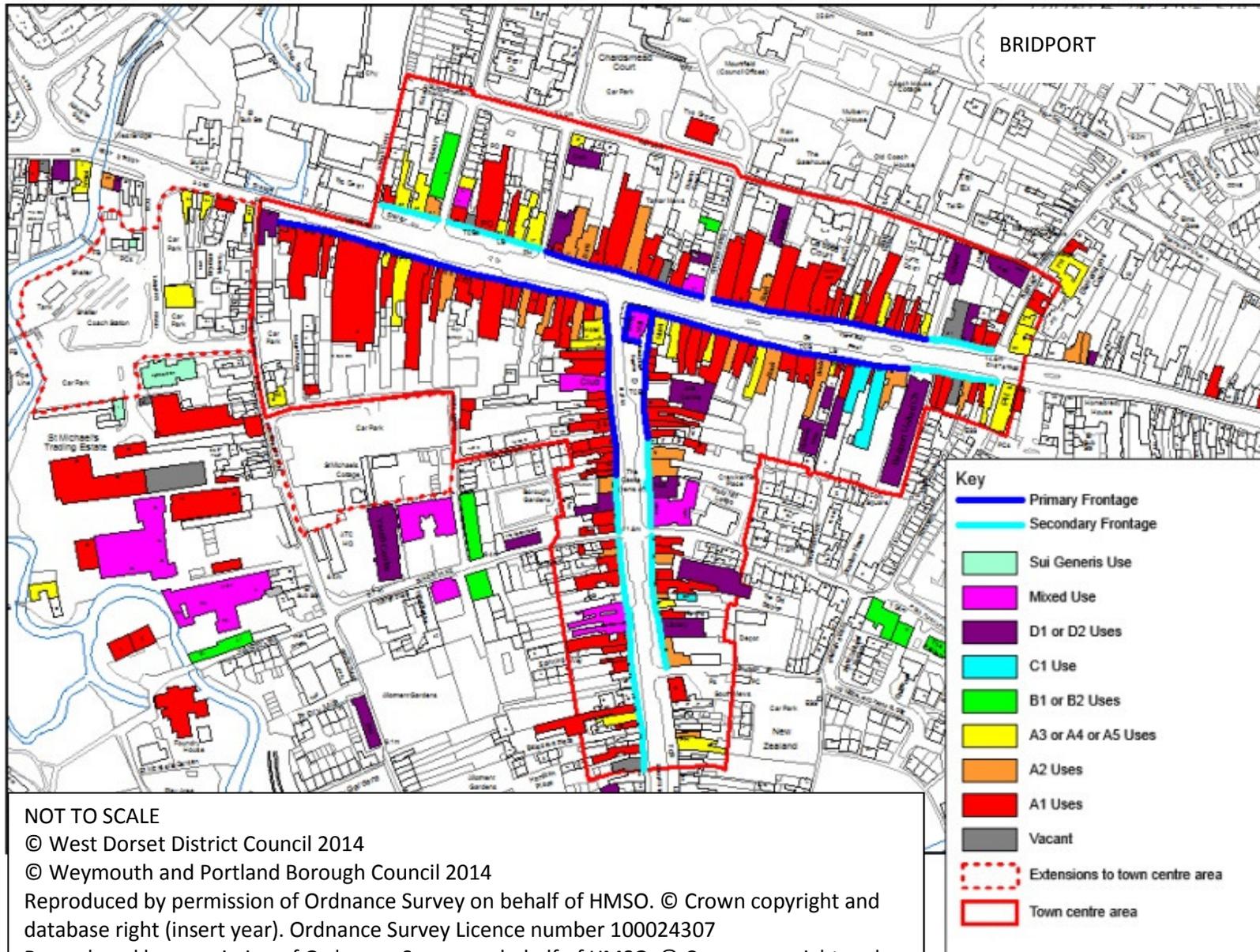
Source: WDDC & WPBC

ECON2: Protection of Key Employment Sites		
Indicator = Area of land granted permission for non employment uses on Key Employment Sites (2013/14)		
	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
Area (ha) granted permission	0.3ha	0ha

Source: WDDC and WPBC

ECON3: Protection of Other Employment Sites		
Indicator – Loss of employment land/premises to non-employment uses (2013/14)		
	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
Area (ha) lost to non employment uses	1.99ha	0.26ha

Source: WDDC and WPBC



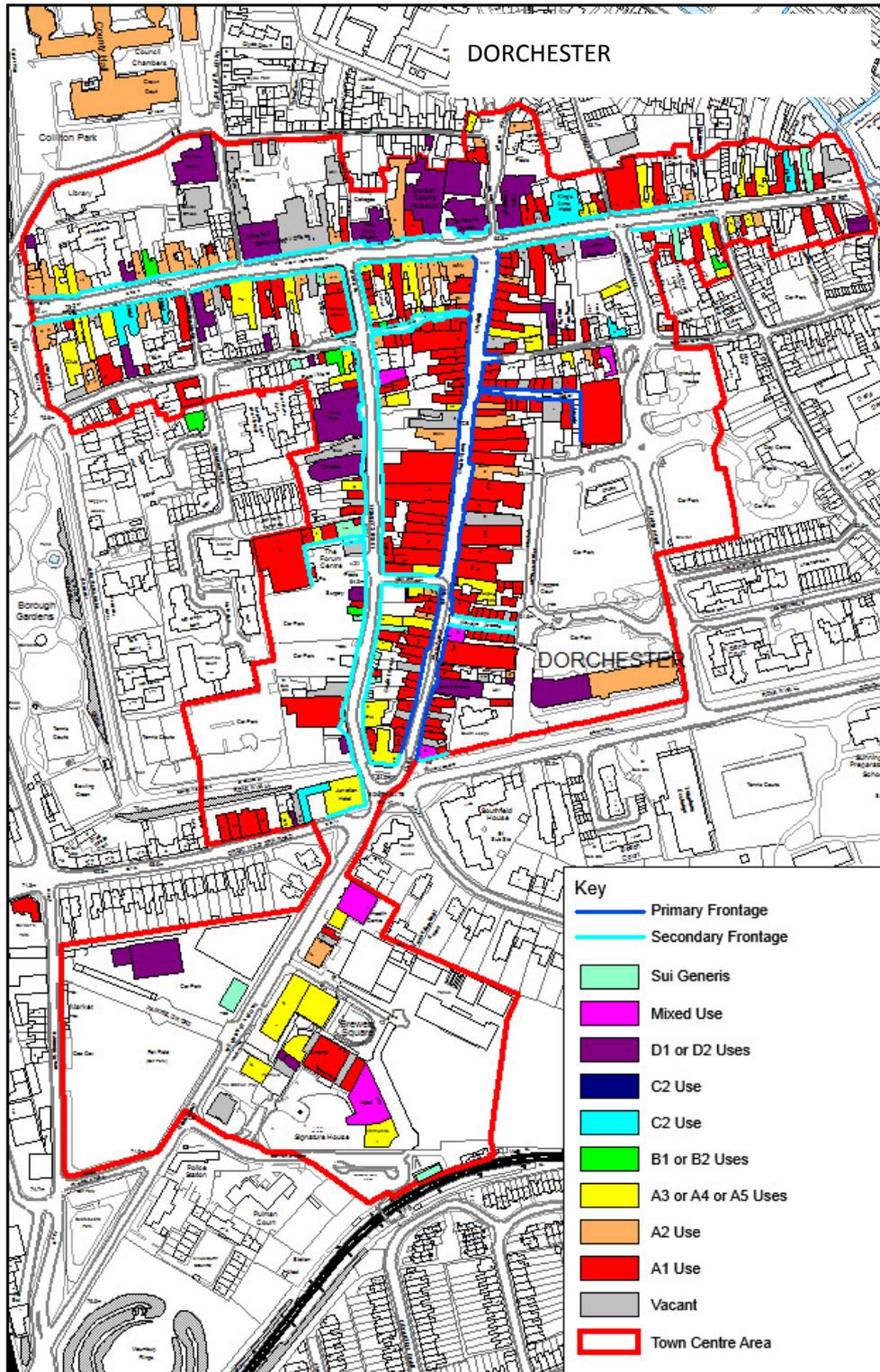
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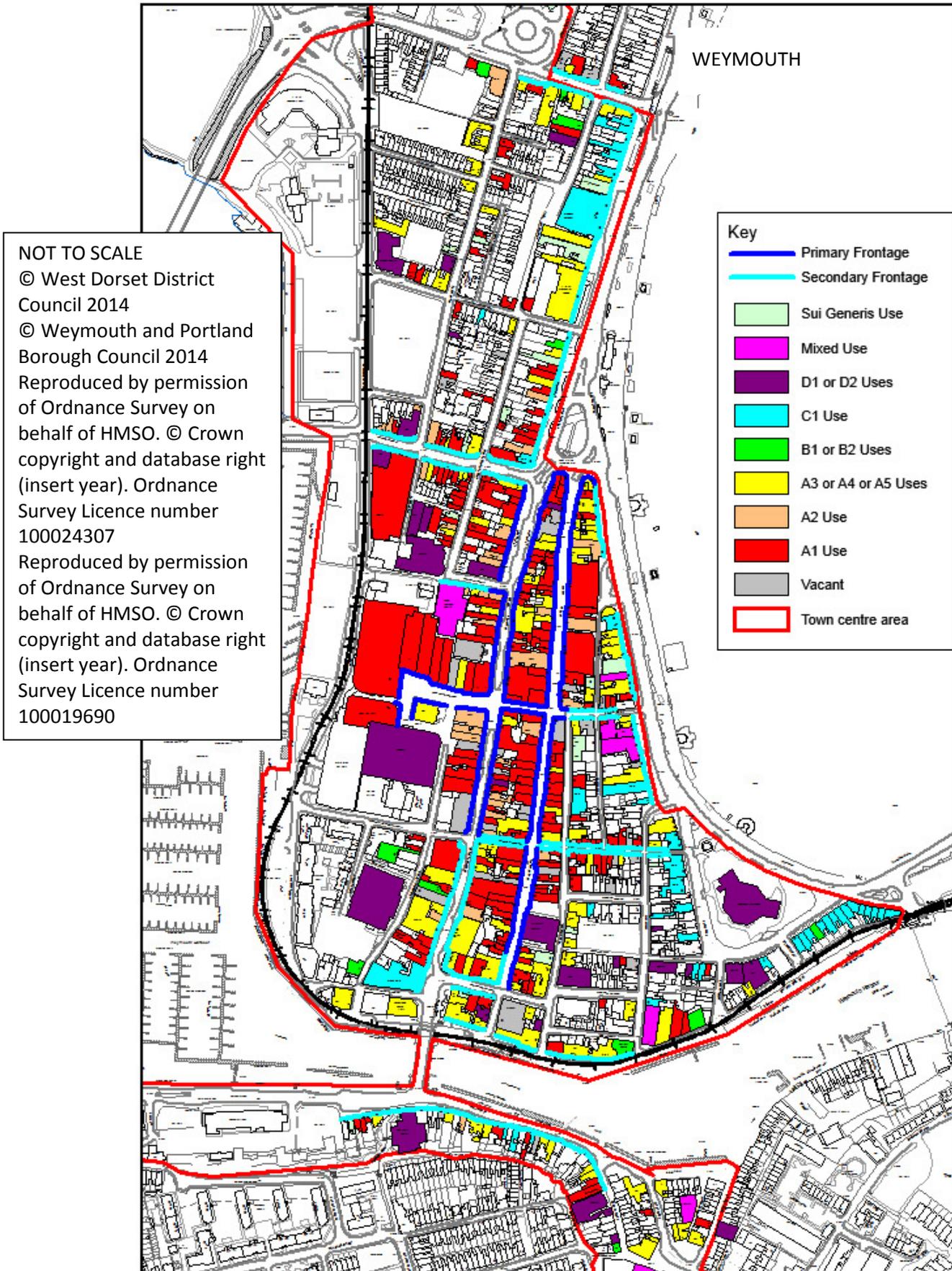
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ECON4: Retail and Town Centre Development		
Indicator = Primary and secondary frontage in use by retail, town centre and other uses (2012/13) (no survey work undertaken in 2013/14)		
Town	Primary Retail Frontage Proportion of non-retail use (by length of retail frontage)	Secondary Retail Frontage Proportion of non-retail use (by length of retail frontage)
Sherborne	36%	7%
Bridport	37%	23%
Lyme Regis	38%	38%
Dorchester	16%	22%
Weymouth	34%	18%

Source: WDDC & WPBC

ECON4: Protection of Other Employment Sites		
Indicator = Amount of completed retail development and amount located in town centres (2013/14)		
	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
Amount of completed retail floorspace	0.08ha	0.73ha

Source: WDDC & WPBC

ECON7: Caravan and Camping Sites		
Indicator = Planning applications approved in the Heritage Coast for the development of new/extensions to existing caravan and campsites (2013/14)		
	West Dorset	Weymouth and Portland
Number of planning applications	2	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC

HOUS1: Affordable Housing		
Indicator = The number of affordable housing units by size and tenure secured on-site through open market housing development (2013/14)		
Size	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Total number of affordable housing units	39	24
Total number of completions	259	113
% of affordable housing secured	15%	21%

Source: WDDC and WPBC

HOUS1: Affordable Housing				
Indicator = The number of affordable housing units by size and tenure secured on-site through open market housing development (2013/14)				
Type of affordable housing (no of units delivered)				
	Affordable Rented		Intermediate Housing	
Size	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
1 Bed	19	6	0	0
2 Bed	14	13	0	0
3 Bed	3	5	3	0
4 Bed	0	0	0	0
5 Bed	0	0	0	0
6 Bed	0	0	0	0
Total	36	24	3	0

Source: WDDC and WPBC

HOUS1: Affordable Housing	
Indicator = The level of financial contribution secured for off-site delivery of affordable housing (2013/14)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
£161,000	£0

Source: WDDC and WPBC

HOUS2: Affordable Housing Exception Sites	
Indicator = The number of affordable housing units completed on exception sites (2013/14)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
7	0

Source: WDDC and WPBC

HOUS3: Open Market Housing Mix					
Indicator = The number of homes permitted by size (bedrooms) and type (2013/14)					
Houses	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	Flats	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
1 Bed	2	4	1 Bed	91	19
2 Bed	12	35	2 Bed	50	25
3 Bed	56	34	3 Bed	3	0
4 Bed	56	15	4 Bed	0	0

Source: DCC

COM2: New or Improved Local Community Buildings and Structures

Indicator = The number of (approved applications for) new community facilities available within the plan area (2013/14)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
3	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC

COM3: The Retention of Local Community Buildings and Structures	
Indicator = Number of approved applications for change of use from shops, garages, public houses and community buildings to other non-community uses (2013/14)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
2	4

Source: WDDC & WPBC

COM5: The Retention of Open Space and Recreational Facilities	
Indicator = Number of approved applications for the development or change of use of open space, including playing fields, recreational areas and allotments (2013/14)	
West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
0	0

Source: WDDC & WPBC

COM11: Renewable Energy Development						
Indicator – Annual energy generation by installed capacity and type						
(2011/12)						
Type	Capacity (MW) Energy		Capacity (MW) Heat			
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland		
Anaerobic Digestion	0.48	-	-	-		
Sewage Gas	-	-	-	-		
Biomass	-	-	0.97	0.270		
Energy from Waste	-	-	-	-		
Hydropower	0.01	0.0150	-	-		
Landfill Gas	-	-	-	-		
Heat Pumps	-	-	0.29	0.156		
Onshore Wind	0.08	0.0645	-	-		
Solar PV	0.45	0.1161	-	-		
Solar Thermal	-	-	0.18	0.027		
Total	1.02	0.1956	1.44	0.453		
(2012/13)						
Type	Projects		Capacity (MW) Energy		Capacity (MW) Heat	
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Anaerobic Digestion	3	0	2.780	-	-	-
Sewage Gas	0	0	-	-	-	-
Biomass	53	6	-	-	2.240	0.870

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Energy from Waste	0	0	-	-	-	-
Hydropower	1	2	0.007	0.022	-	-
Landfill Gas	1	0	0.463	-	-	-
Heat Pumps	130	36	-	-	1.308	0.248
Onshore Wind	22	3	0.214	0.065	-	-
Solar PV	1302	624	11.610	1.987	-	-
Solar Thermal	121	17	-	-	0.334	0.039
Total	-	-	15.074	2.074	3.882	1.157
(2013/14)						
Type	Projects		Capacity (MW) Energy		Capacity (MW) Heat	
	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland	West Dorset	Weymouth & Portland
Anaerobic Digestion	3	0	1.398		0.800	
Sewage Gas	0	0				
Biomass	86	11			5.127	0.976
Energy from Waste	0	0				
Hydropower	1	3	0.007	0.029		
Landfill Gas	1	0	0.463			
Heat Pumps	239	47			2.264	0.457
Onshore Wind	21	4	0.204	0.066		
Solar PV	2,083	723	20.867	7.607		
Solar Thermal	157	36			0.453	0.094
Total	-	-	24.807	7.702	8.644	1.527

Source: RegenSW