EAST HERTS COUNCIL LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK EVIDENCE BASE – TECHNICAL STUDIES 2010/11 AND 2011/12

APPENDIX

Acronyms

CIL – Community Infrastructure Levy

DfT - Department for Transport

EEDA – East of England Development Agency

ECC – Essex County Council

GAF3 - Growth Area Funding (Government) Round 3 2008-2011

HBRC - Hertfordshire Biological Records Centre

HCC – Hertfordshire County Council

HIIS – Herts Infrastructure and Investment Study

HIPP - Herts Infrastructure and Planning Partnership

HRA/AA Habitat Regulations Assessment/Appropriate Assessment

LCB – London Commuter Belt (East)/M11 Sub-Region LEP (Herts) – Local Enterprise Partnership (Hertfordshire)

LGA – Local Government Association

LPA – Local Planning Authority

PAS - Planning Advisory Service - Part of LGA

PCT - Primary Care Trust

POD - Programme of Development (Government)
PPS - Planning Policy Statement (Government)

SA/SEA – Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment

and and

SHLAA - Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment

tbc – to be confirmed

	Studies Completed 2011/12					
Study Title	Study Purpose	Completion Date	Cost/Funding Source	Consultant		
Hertfordshire Strategic Employment Site Study	This study focuses on identifying appropriate strategic sites for potential future employment land. The study includes useful economic information and assessment, together with potential economic growth scenarios for the future. See separate report 6 to the LDF Executive Panel meeting, 24 November 2011.	April 2011	Total cost: £67,110 paid 2010/11. East Herts Council contribution: £2,000 paid 2010/11. Joint partnership of HCC, EEDA and 10 Herts Districts.	Regeneris Consulting		

	Studies Completed so far 2012			
Study Title	Study Purpose	Completion Date	Cost/Funding Source	Consultant
Hertfordshire Infrastructure and Investment Strategy Refresh 2012	Partial review of the 2009 HIIS Report to take account of: Recent planning, funding and infrastructure need; Management of infrastructure planning and delivery; Relationship between strategic and local infrastructure need.	Live document – latest dated version August 2012.	Jointly commissioned by Herts LEP and HIPP. Total cost: £20,000 funded by HCC. No East Herts Council funding.	HCC In-house and RS Regeneration
Employment Forecasts and Strategic Economic Development Advice	Technical advice containing employment forecasts and strategic advice on planning for economic development in the District. See separate report to this Panel meeting.	October 2012	Total cost: £11,800 East Herts Council contribution: £11,800:2012/13	DTZ Consultants
Sub-District Population and Household Forecasts	Provision of population and household technical work at a sub-district level, undertaken in two phases: Phase 1 provides 'trend-led' demographic information; Phase 2 tests a range of alternative dwelling-based scenarios at sub-district level. See separate report to this Panel meeting.	October 2012	Total cost: £16,000 East Herts Council contribution: £6,400:2011/12 £9,600:2012/13 £16,000:Total	Edge Analytics Ltd of Leeds, using 'POPGROUP' suite of population forecasting models, which it manages on behalf of the owners, the LGA.
Strategic Land Availability Assessment Round 2 Final Report	Identify potential sites for development within the development boundaries of the 2007 Local Plan Six Main Settlements and Category 1 Villages and give a technical assessment as to whether they are developable and when they could be developed. Such an assessment is a requirement of the NPPF March 2012.	October 2012	In-house Officer time	In-house

	Studies On-going/Started 2011/12 and 2012/13				
Study Title	Study Purpose	Completion Date	Cost/Funding Source	Consultant	
Herts Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Viability Assessment	This study will provide a CIL Viability Assessment to support emerging infrastructure planning work being undertaken in Hertfordshire. This will underpin individual District Local Plan Strategies, as well as draft CIL Charging Schedules, that are expected to emerge over the course of the next 12 months as a precursor to the introduction of CIL.	November 2012	Total Cost: £34,680 for study, plus £3,800 for Joint Project Manager. East Herts Council contribution: £3,873 for study, plus £650 for Project Manager. £4,523:Total £975:2011/12 £3,548:2012/13 Joint Herts Local Authority Partnership of 9 Herts Districts (excluding North Herts).	Lambert Smith Hampton and Project Manager: RS Regeneration	
Population Forecasts for Greater Essex, East Herts and Welwyn Hatfield	Provision of population forecasts to support preparation of Local Plans and contribute to other spatial planning activities, i.e. total population, economically active population, households and dwellings, together with demographic interpretation of forecast outcomes and advice on other related demographic matters. Preliminary Study – December 2011 – for use in developing the East Herts District Plan Part 1-Strategy. Final Study – January 2013 – for use in finalising the East Herts District Plan Part 1-Strategy.	Preliminary Study December 2011 Final Study: January 2013	Total cost: £65,053 East Herts Council contribution: £2,870:2011/12 £957:2012/13 £3,824:Total Joint funding partnership comprising all 12 Essex Districts, 2 Essex Unitaries and 2 Herts District of East Herts and Welwyn Hatfield.	Edge Analytics Ltd of Leeds, using 'POP GROUP' suite of population forecasting models, which it manages on behalf of the owners, the LGA.	

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Study Title	Study Purpose	Completion Date	Cost/Funding Source	Consultant	
Strategic Development Viability Advice	Technical work to assess the likely cumulative impacts of a range of planning policy requirements, (i.e. affordable housing, CIL, green policies, parking and design requirements) on development viability and assist the Council in demonstrating that it's District Plan is deliverable.	November 2012	Total Cost: £22,950 East Herts Council contribution: £22,950:2012/13	Levvel	
London Commuter Belt East Sub Region Strategic Housing Market Assessment Update 2012 Plus Older Persons Housing Requirements Study	Technical work to update the original 2008 study. Issues covered: Existing housing stock of the area Property prices and affordability Role of private rented sector in meeting housing need Impact of Government policy changes since 2010 Current housing need Future housing requirements from 2011-2013 including scenario testing. The Older Persons Housing Requirements study provides information as to the scale and type of housing that older people are likely to require in the future. Taking into account issues of health and work, the study considers the supply of retirement housing as well as the ability of older people to buy and rent, and the propensity for older people who may be under occupying family housing to seek alternative housing options.	December 2012	Total cost: £20,000 East Herts Council Contribution: SHMA:£5,000: 2012/13 Joint partnership comprising four District Councils: East Herts, Epping Forest, Harlow, Uttlesford	Opinion Research Services	

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Study Title	Study Purpose	Completion Date	Cost/Funding Source	Consultant	
District Plan Part 1: Strategy Transport Modelling	Technical work to inform the emerging options/scenarios for the District Plan Part 1:Strategy, undertaken by: 1) HCC/Aecom using Diamond Model 2) ECC using Harlow/Stansted Gateway Transport Model (HSGTM)	January 2013	Total cost: 1) Diamond: £21,681 2) HSGTM: tbc East Herts Council contribution: 1) £21,681:2012/13 2)tbc :2012/13	HCC/ECC	
Sustainability Appraisal (SA)/ Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) 'Critical Friend' Support	SA/SEA of emerging District Plan Part 1-Strategy Consultation Document.	January/February 2013	Total cost: In-house Officer time In-house and Planning Advisory Service (PAS) advisory consultants, 5 days of free consultancy advice.	In-house and PAS advisory consultants: Amec	
Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA) 'Critical Friend' Support	HRA of emerging District Plan Part 1-Strategy Consultation Document, in relation to European designated nature conservation areas.	January/February 2013	Total cost: £3,700 East Herts Council contribution: £3,700: 2012/13	URS	

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	Studies Proposed for 2013/14				
Study Title	Study Purpose	Completion Date	Cost/Funding Source	Consultant	
Bishop's Stortford and Sawbridgeworth Urban Transport Plan	This study will be a daughter document to the Herts LTP, and will provide a list of transport issues for Bishop's Stortford and Sawbridgeworth, and where possible the potential solutions and improvements proposed to address them, allowing prioritisation and delivery through the Herts LTP, and other funding mechanisms. This study is to be informed by the emerging East Herts District Plan Part 1-Strategy, prior to completion of UDP. The UTP will cover the next 20 years to 2031 (with review after first five years).	2013	Total cost: tbc Funded by HCC. No East Herts Council funding.	Aecom	
Sustainability Appraisal (SA)/Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) 'Critical Friend' support	SA/SEA of Submission Version of District Plan Part 1-Strategy.	2013	Total cost: tbc	In-house and PAS advisory consultants: Amec	
Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA)	HRA of Submission Version of District Plan Part 1-Strategy, in relation to European designated nature conservation areas.	2013	Total cost: tbc	URS	

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Study Title	Study Purpose	Completion Date	Cost/Funding Source	Consultant	
Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Accommodation Assessment and Site Scoping Study	To update previous Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs Survey (published in 2006) in light of the 'Planning policy for traveller sites' national guidance issued in conjunction with the NPPF, March 2012, to provide the most recent evidence base for demonstrating locally arising need for the plan period and to be expanded to include the needs of Travelling Showpeople. To revise the Gypsy and Traveller Site Scoping report (completed in 2007). The basis of the report to be expanded to take into account the site accommodation needs of Travelling Showpeople, and also to assess the potential of growth locations identified in the Preferred Strategy to provide accommodation for travellers, where a local need has been identified (see above), as an integral part of future planned development.	Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Accommodation Assessment: Spring 2013 Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Site Scoping Study: Spring/Summer 2013	tbc	tbc	
Strategic Land Availability Assessment Round 3	Round 3 considers sites outside the current settlement boundaries of the Six Main Settlements and Category 1 Villages, and will be informed by the broad locations identified for development in the District Plan Part 1: Emerging Preferred Strategy.	Summer 2013	In-house Officer time	In-house	

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SUMMARY FINANCIAL TABLE

Funding Source	2011/12 Spend	2012/13 Anticipated /proposed spend (as at November 2012)
East Herts Council	£10,245	£79,236
External Funding, contributing to East Herts District Plan Evidence Base, excluding any East Herts Council contribution.	£130,186	
(N.B: Not readily able to identify spending split for external funding between the two financial years).		