Preparing Local Development Plans

Role and responsibilities of Community and Town councils

The following quotes are taken from the *Local Development Plan Manual.* This is a reference document for planners and other people involved in preparing LDPs – it is not national policy.

Evidence gathering and objectives

'*Early consideration should be given to engagement with developers and landowners to obtain information on potential sites not already identified … Town and Community Councils and local Members may similarly have suggestions for sites suitable for affordable housing and other local facilities.*' (section 5.4.4)

Strategic Options and Preferred Strategy

'*Key stakeholders will be invited to engage in discussion of the strategic options; public consultation will take place once the Preferred Strategy has been identified.*' (section 6.2)

'*By engaging bodies such as community councils at an early stage, local planning authorities can better reflect local concerns and local distinctiveness when preparing the Preferred Strategy.*' (section 6.2)

Identifying Strategic Options

'*The participation of 'specific consultation bodies'* [which includes community councils] *and relevant 'general consultation bodies' in reaching a preferred strategy is required… The authority's Community Involvement Scheme should identify ways of seeking a focused dialogue with such interests. For example it may be appropriate to involve representatives of umbrella groups of community councils and commercial interests in a series of events at which the evidence is presented and alternative options for the area are developed.*' (section 6.3.4)

Paratoi Cynlluniau Datblygu Lleol

Dyletswyddau a chyfrifoldebau Cynghorau Tref a Chymuned

Cymerwyd y dyfyniadau canlynol o'r *Llawlyfr ar Gynlluniau Datblygu Lleol*. Dogfen gyfeirio yw hon ar gyfer cynllunwyr a phobl eraill sy'n rhan o baratoi CDLl – nid yw'n bolisi cenedlaethol.

Casglu tystiolaeth ac amcanion

'*Dylid ystyried ymgysylltu â datblygwyr a thirfeddianwyr yn gynnar er mwyn cael gwybodaeth am safleoedd posibl nas nodwyd eisoes …*
Efallai y bydd gan Gynghorau Tref a Chymuned ynghyd ag Aelodau lleol awgrymiadau ar gyfer safleoedd sy'n addas ar gyfer tai fforddiadwy a chyfleusterau lleol eraill hefyd.'
(adran 5.4.4)

Opsiynau Strategol a'r Strategaethau Dewisol

'*Gwahoddir rhanddeiliaid allweddol i gymryd rhan mewn trafodaeth ar yr opsiynau strategol; cynhelir ymgynghoriad cyhoeddus ar ôl nodi'r Dewis Strategaeth.*' (adran 6.2)

'*Drwy gynnwys cyrff megis cynghorau cymuned yn gynnar, gall [awdurdodau cynllunio lleol] adlewyrchu pryderon lleol a hynodrwydd lleol yn well wrth baratoi'r Dewis Strategaeth.*' (adran 6.2)

Adnabod Opsiynau Strategol

Mae…yn ofynnol i gynnwys 'cyrff ymgynghori penodol' [sy'n cynnwys cynghorau cymuned] *a 'chyrff ymgynghori cyffredinol' perthnasol yn y broses o benderfynu ar ddewis strategaeth… Dylai CCC yr awdurdod nodi ffyrdd o geisio deialog ac iddo ffocws gyda buddiannau o'r fath. Er enghraifft, efallai y bydd yn briodol cynnwys cynrychiolwyr o grwpiau mantell o gynghorau cymuned a buddiannau masnachol mewn cyfres o ddigwyddiadau lle y caiff y dystiolaeth ei chyflwyno ac y caiff opsiynau amgen ar gyfer yr ardal eu datblygu.*' (adran 6.3.4)