



**The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004  
as amended by  
The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations  
2008  
Forest of Dean Local Development Framework  
Core Strategy Development Plan Document (DPD)  
ADOPTION STATEMENT**

In accordance with Regulation 24(2) and Regulation 36 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004 as amended by The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England)(Amendment) Regulations 2008, notice is hereby given that Forest of Dean District Council formally adopted its Core Strategy Development Plan Document (Core Strategy) on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2012.

The Core Strategy forms part of the Forest of Dean Local Development Framework (LDF) and will replace, in part, the Forest of Dean District Local Plan Review 2005 (as saved by the Secretary of State's Direction of 21<sup>st</sup> October 2008). The Core Strategy is the principal document of the LDF and sets the vision, spatial strategy and policies for development in the District for the period up to 2026.

Nigel Payne BSc (Hons), Dip TP, MRTPI, MCMI, an independent Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, considered the Core Strategy at Examination Hearings held between 12<sup>th</sup> and the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2011. The Inspector's Report, with its recommendations, was published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2012. The adopted Core Strategy contains the Inspector's recommendations all of which the Council have adopted.

Any person aggrieved by the Core Strategy may make an application to the High Court under Section 113(3) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. Any challenge must be made on the grounds that either the document has not been prepared within the powers conferred by Part 2 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 or that a procedural requirement of the Act or associated Regulations has not been complied with. Any such application must be made promptly and in any event no later than 6 weeks after the date when it is adopted by the Local Planning Authority

The adopted Core Strategy, Inspector's Report, this Adoption Statement, the Sustainability Appraisal Report and the Sustainability Appraisal Adoption Statement (prepared in accordance with Regulation 16(3) of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004) are available for public inspection free of charge, at the following locations:

- The Council Offices, High Street Coleford (Monday to Thursday 9.00am to 4.45pm, Friday 9.00am to 4:30pm);
- Bream, Cinderford, Coleford, Lydney, Mitcheldean, Newent, Newnham on Severn, Gloucester Central and Chepstow Libraries.

\* On the Council's web site: [www.fdean.gov.uk](http://www.fdean.gov.uk) (Local Development framework) or [http://www.fdean.gov.uk/nqcontent.cfm?a\\_id=6478&tt=graphic](http://www.fdean.gov.uk/nqcontent.cfm?a_id=6478&tt=graphic)

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