

Appendix 6 Glossary

Conservation Area	Areas designated by the Local Planning Authority, under Section 69 of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Area) Act 1990, as being “of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance”.
Evidence Base	The evidence base is a collective term for the documents, studies, reports and community feedback used to support development plan documents.
Listed Building	A building officially listed as being of special architectural or historic interest as defined in the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990. They are documented in the national Statutory Lists of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest.
Local Nature Reserve (LNR)	Sites designated by local authorities or local naturalist trusts, under the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949, as being of local wildlife importance.
National Park	An area designated under the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 (as amended). Part of Winchester District lies within the South Downs National Park.
National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)	The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2012 sets out the Government’s policies for planning in England.
National Planning Policy Guidance (NPPG)	National Planning Policy Guidance (NPPG) 2013 provides the Government’s interpretation of NPPF. It replaces advice previously expressed in planning policy guidance notes (PPGs) and good practice guidance. It is web-based and updated as and when required.
Previously Developed Land (PDL)	Land or sites containing permanent structures and associated development, such as car-parking, which can be developed for other uses. Also referred to as ‘brownfield’.
Open Space	Defined in the Town and Country Planning Act as land laid out as a public garden, used for the purposes of public recreation, or which is disused burial ground. It should be taken to mean all open areas of public value, including water areas, which offer important opportunities for sport and recreation, and can also act as a visual amenity.
RAMSAR site	These are internationally designated sites, identified under the Ramsar Convention. They are identified in order to protect the ecological interest of wetlands.
Schedule Ancient Monument (SAM)	The most important archaeological sites nationally are identified as SAMs by central government.
Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC)	Sites within Hampshire that are of particular importance for nature conservation, containing habitats or features which are effectively irreplaceable (excluding statutorily designated sites). Criteria for identifying these sites have jointly been adopted by Hampshire County Council, Natural England and the Hampshire Wildlife Trust.
Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	These are designated by English Nature under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, for their special ecological or geological interest. The General Development Order requires planning authorities to consult Natural England before granting consent for development within an SSSI.

Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)	Sites designated under the EC Directive on the Conservation of Natural Habitats and of Wild Flora and Fauna (the Habitats Directive) of international importance as natural habitats, designated and protected in order to contribute to the conservation of biodiversity.
Special Protection Area (SPA)	Areas identified as being of international importance for breeding, feeding, wintering or migration of rare and vulnerable bird species found within European Union countries. They are European designated sites, classified under the 'Birds Directive 1979' which provides enhanced protection given by the Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) status all SPAs also hold.
Settlement Gap	An area of countryside which is of special value for its role in preventing the coalescence of urban areas and protecting their separate identities.
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	A site identified under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000) as an area of special interest by reason of any of its flora, fauna, geological or physiographical features

