

## Appendix B: Glossary

Affordable Housing	Housing that is provided with private or public subsidy for local people who are unable to meet their housing needs in the local housing market because of the relationship between housing costs and incomes.
Aggregates	Minerals such as sand, gravel and crushed rock used for various applications in the construction industry.
AOD	above Ordnance Datum.
Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)	An area of high visual quality designated by the Countryside Agency as being of national importance under the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949. The primary purpose of designation is to conserve and enhance their natural beauty. The Sussex Downs are an AONB.
Background Paper	Additional information used in the preparation of the Plan.
Biodiversity	The whole range of variety of plants, animals and micro-organisms and the ecosystems and ecological processes of which they are part.
Brownfield	Sites already developed in urban types of use, including decaying, derelict, under-used, or unused land capable of re-use or redevelopment.
Call Centre	A footloose business offering a variety of telephone based services and advice, often on a contract basis to other companies, particularly for financial services.
Catchment Area	A designated area within which specific policies may apply.
Circular (DETR)	Directions from Government which have legal status.
Committed Development	Land already committed for housing development which includes both land with planning approval and land that was allocated in the adopted Borough Plan of January 1998.
Commuted Payments	Contributions made to local authorities and other bodies by developers for off-site works or facilities where this provision cannot be provided on site.
Comparison Shopping	Shops whose main business is to sell non-foods.
Compensatory Flood Storage	The provision of balancing lakes or financial contributions to compensate for development in the floodplain.
Convenience Shopping	Shops whose main business is to sell food, these include confectioners/newsagents.

DETR	Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions.
DOE	Department of the Environment.
e-commerce	Electronic business.
Extant planning permission	A planning permission which is still valid and able to be implemented.
Footloose Business	A business that does not need to be in any specific location.
Greenfield	A site which has never previously been developed.
House in Multiple Occupation (HMO)	A house in multiple occupation is defined by Section 345 of the Housing Act 1985 and means a house or flat which is occupied by more than one single household.
LA21 (Local Agenda 21)	Encompasses action plans and targets which will assist social progress; recognise everyone's needs; provide effective protection of the environment; ensure prudent use of natural resources and maintain high and stable levels of economic growth and employment.
Living Over the Shop Scheme (LOTS)	Seeks to return underused or vacant upper floors of properties within the town centre to housing. The scheme is a joint venture with social landlords and contributes additional units of affordable housing to the existing stock.
Major Development	Refers to residential development of 10 or more dwellings, and industrial, retail, service and other developments in excess of 1000 square metres.
Planning Policy Guidance Note (PPG)	Sets out the Government's policies on different aspects of planning.
Previously developed land	Land which is or was occupied by a permanent structure (excluding agricultural or forestry buildings), and associated fixed surface infrastructure. The definition covers the curtilage of the development. Previously developed land may occur in both built-up and rural settings. The definition includes defence buildings and land used for mineral extraction and waste disposal, where provision for restoration has not been made through development control procedures.

Quality Bus Corridors (QBCs)	Traffic management measures which seek to encourage car users to switch to using the bus. QBCs give buses greater priority over other road users to encourage a frequent, reliable service.
Regional Planning Guidance	Guidance which is provided by the Government which gives a regional framework for the preparation of local authority development plans. The other purpose of the guidance is to provide the spatial framework for other strategies and programmes.
Section 106 agreement	In certain circumstances the local authority may seek planning obligations with a developer. This may, for instance, restrict the proposed development in some way or require specific payments to be made in order that the development is able to go ahead. Such obligations are only sought where the local authority is minded to grant planning approval for a development.
Service trade businesses	Retail outlets whose main business is to sell services, such as banking, estate agents, building societies, cafés, restaurants etc.
Serviced tourist accommodation	Serviced tourist accommodation includes hotels and guest houses in which rooms are serviced daily (cleaned) and where meals are available if required.
Site of Nature Conservation Importance (SNCI)	Non-statutory designation of an area supporting important wildlife habitats or species and/or an area which serves as a wildlife resource for local communities. They are selected by independent panels of local wildlife experts and are normally recognised by local planning authorities.
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	Representative area of key national importance for wildlife or geological interest, notified by English Nature under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.
Special Control Provisions	Additional management controls for the Council, in respect of Houses in Multiple Occupation.
Supplementary Planning Guidance	Planning guidance which is based on, consistent with, and supplementary to statutory planning policies in a structure plan or local plan.
Sustainable Development	Development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems	On site solutions to reduce surface water runoff and provide alternative foul water treatment. The Environment Agency offer advice on systems appropriate to individual locations.
Traffic	Refers to motorised traffic using the roads.
Travel	Refers to travel by all forms of transport including public transport (bus, rail); cycling; walking and use of motor vehicles such as the motor bike, taxi, car or lorry.
Travel Plans	A plan which demonstrates how the potential road traffic impact of a major development will be minimised. Travel Plans consist of a wide range of measures to encourage use of more sustainable transport choices.
Unserviced tourist accommodation	Unserviced accommodation is all self-catering establishments. Accommodation is in rooms that are not serviced daily and there are no meals provided.
Windfall Development	Any residential development that has not been specifically identified as an allocation or commitment in the Plan. This would include infill developments, redevelopments and schemes for the conversion or change of use of premises to residential use.
Wired Region	A region in which business and communities can trade and communicate through an effective electronic network.