

## List of evidence required by Scottish Planning Policy to inform Local Development Plans

It is important to note that a review of our national planning policies is ongoing as part of the preparation of NPF4 and that current approaches may evolve – this list provides a reference point as per current SPP.

NB. Paragraph reference given for information is not necessarily the only reference point in SPP.

\*\* Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 makes further requirements. See discussion papers for detail.

- Housing Need and Demand Assessment / Local Housing Strategy / Housing Land Audit (paragraph 110)
- Urban capacity study (para 117)
- Green belt study (para 50)
- Town centre audit / health check (para 64)
- Rural classification (paras 76 – 78)
- Prime agricultural land (paragraph 80)
- Marine plans (para 87)
- Local Economic Strategy (para 94)
- Business Land audit (para 102)
- Conservation Area Appraisals (para 139)
- Historic env info: Sites & Monuments record (para 40) / Historic Environment Record (para 40) / SAM (para 145) / Historic Marine Protected Areas (para 146) / World Heritage Sites (para 147) / Gardens & Designed Landscapes (para 148) / Battlefields (para 149)
- Heat maps (para 169)
- Spatial frameworks (para 169)
- Natural designations (para 196) – international (Natural 2000, RAMSAR) / national (National Parks, National Scenic Area, Site of Special Scientific Interest, National Nature Reserves) / local
- Wild land maps (para 200)
- \*\* Forestry & Woodland strategy (para 201)
- \*\* Open space: playing fields etc (para 222)
- \*\* Play sufficiency assessment (para 226)
- Flood risk appraisal (para 260)
- Transport Assessment (para 272)
- Waste infrastructure (para 182)
- General infrastructure (para 40)
- Digital infrastructure (para 294)
- Place standard (para 47)