The Core Strategy Review



The Local Plan for Folkestone and Hythe provides a positive vision for the future of the area. It guides decisions on future development and addresses needs, including housing, and opportunities such as employment.

Otterpool Park is included as an area for development in the Local Plan.



Examination process

All Local Plans are submitted to the Secretary of State for an independent examination by the Planning Inspectorate.

As confirmed in the Planning Inspector's Report, the Core Strategy Review (including the allocation of Otterpool Park as a new garden settlement) was found sound and justified.

The report can be read in full on the Folkestone & Hythe District Council website.

The Core Strategy Review was adopted by the Council on 30 March 2022.

"The size of the allocation and the potential overall scale of housing development in the longer term is justified. It will allow for a comprehensive approach to the whole site to be brought forward which provides adequate scope for strategic landscaping and open space provision and the opportunity to ensure necessary infrastructure is in place at the right time."

Planning Inspectorate Report to Folkestone & Hythe District Council

