

## **guide 8**

# creating health-promoting environments

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# Annex 1

## Health in planning policy – checklist

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) policy requirements	When developing/ reviewing your Local Plan...		What policy areas or supplementary planning documents (SPDs) could you develop?
	For planning leads...	For health leads...	
Achieving sustainable development (para. 7)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do the overall vision and the spatial planning objectives reflect the social role of planning in supporting strong, vibrant and healthy communities, and do they tackle inequalities?</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vision and strategic objectives for health</li> </ul>
Core planning principles (para. 17)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you reflected relevant priorities in the health and wellbeing strategy and other health strategies?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you ensured that health strategies provide tangible priorities for the built/ natural environment?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An overarching health and wellbeing policy</li> </ul>
Promoting sustainable transport (section 4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you explored options for promoting active travel and improving opportunities for physical activity?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you engaged planners and transport planners through the local transport plan process?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walking and cycling environment</li> <li>Transport assessment and travel plans</li> </ul>
Requiring good design (section 7)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you set out design principles/ criteria for the new development, promoting permeable, safe and accessible layouts?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you had conversations with planners and urban designers on securing good health through design?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing design and access</li> <li>Design strategies</li> <li>Lifetime neighbourhoods</li> </ul>
Promoting healthy communities (section 8)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you set out viable requirements for play areas, open spaces, leisure, and access to food-growing and healthy food choices/retail for new developments?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you supported planners with an evidence base demonstrating the benefits associated with physical and mental health and wellbeing?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open spaces</li> <li>Play, formal and informal recreation</li> <li>Allotments</li> <li>Access to healthy food</li> </ul>
Conserving and enhancing the natural environment (section 11)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you identified what, where and for whom there are vulnerabilities to the significant impacts caused by pollution and noise (people and places)?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you presented evidence to planners to enable them to plan for appropriate land use activities?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amenity</li> <li>Air and noise pollution</li> </ul>
Plan-making evidence: infrastructure (para. 162)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you set out the infrastructure requirements for health, and are they reflected in section 106 planning obligations and/or the community infrastructure levy?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you supported planners in engaging with the clinical commissioning group/NHS England?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Health and care facilities investment, and infrastructure requirements</li> </ul>
Plan-making evidence: health and wellbeing (para. 171)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you identified and applied local health needs in justifying policies?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you ensured that the joint strategic needs assessment and other health resources provide evidence in a format that can be used and referenced by planners, i.e. GIS maps?</li> </ul>	
Monitoring and review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you set out performance indicators/targets for each health-relevant policy, and what health evidence have you linked to?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are there synergies with Public Health Outcomes Framework indicators to help measure health impacts/benefits?</li> </ul>	

## Annex 2

# Health in new Garden Cities – development assessment

<b>Movement and access</b>	<b>Open spaces, play and recreation</b>	<b>Food environment</b>	<b>Buildings</b>	<b>Neighbourhood spaces and infrastructure</b>	<b>Local economy</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Existing transport infrastructure and services integrated effectively and enhanced.</li> <li>■ Clearly signposted, safe and accessible walking and cycling street networks.</li> <li>■ Well designed buildings with passive surveillance.</li> <li>■ Walking prioritised over private car use and speed of vehicles managed.</li> <li>■ Area-wide walking and cycling infrastructure.</li> <li>■ Development includes a travel plan that promotes sustainable transport.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ A planned network of green spaces that can also be used for walking and cycling.</li> <li>■ High-quality natural green spaces of different sizes, accessible from dwellings.</li> <li>■ A wide range of high-quality play opportunities and experiences integrated into residential areas.</li> <li>■ Sports and leisure facilities designed and maintained for everyone to use.</li> <li>■ Consideration given to sustainable maintenance and management arrangements.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Provision of healthy food retail uses.</li> <li>■ Shops/food markets that sell a diverse offer of food choices and are easy to get to.</li> <li>■ Development maintains or enhances opportunities for food growing, and prevents loss of spaces, including community orchards.</li> <li>■ Opportunities for households to own or have access to space to grow food, for example via roof or communal gardens and allotments.</li> <li>■ Opportunities for supporting healthy eating.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Dwellings have adequate internal spaces for bike storage, dining, and kitchen facilities.</li> <li>■ Provision of private or partially private outdoor space, such as a front or back garden, and adequate-sized balconies.</li> <li>■ Consideration given to the need for specialist supported housing, integrated within the development and appropriately sited in an accessible location.</li> <li>■ Nationally-recognised standards met, including Lifetime Homes, Home Quality Mark and BREEM Communities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Community and healthcare facilities provided early as part of new development.</li> <li>■ Services and facilities co-located within buildings where feasible.</li> <li>■ Public spaces are attractive, easy to get to, and designed for variety of uses.</li> <li>■ Flexible and durable high-quality spaces that can support civic, cultural and community functions.</li> <li>■ Use of digital technology to contribute to increased and improved use of neighbourhood spaces for activity.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Development enhances the vitality of the local centre by providing a diverse retail and food offer.</li> <li>■ Development layout maximises proximity to existing employment opportunities while avoiding adverse impacts from traffic and noise generation on health and amenity.</li> <li>■ Offices and other employment sites are easy to get to by public transport, walking or cycling.</li> <li>■ Development provides the means for local people to be trained and to secure job opportunities.</li> </ul>
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