

I find myself here objecting on a plan that does not exist and wondering why Rochdale planning and gm waste is wasting public monies when they do not intend to use Mandale Park as a site or do I misunderstand this as well. See letter from head of planning I have submitted in my view they have submitted a plan to the secretary of state which they do not intend to use see letter from head of planning, this in its is very misleading and deceitful in its self and I see gm waste say the consolation says they have asked the lsp and township to inform all that will be affected by the none existing plan. I have spoken to township and the lsp re this and they total denied being told to inform those affected by the plan, evidence will be submitted from the lsp and township to support this. Does this plan exist at all? .And if proof of press articles can not be shown I request that this is removed as proof of consultation as there is no evidence to support this claim. If they wish to use it I want to see the articles or this removed from the evidence. Even if there has been an item on Rochdale Online, very few people in a deprived area like Brimrod Estate have access to the internet, and if they knew nothing of the Waste Plan, they wouldn't know to look! There has been no consultation of local people during the time given for objections. And people from the Brimrod area (which borders Mandale Park) have been excluded from the meetings organised by planners at Sparth Bottoms . On summary there has been no consultation and what has been submitted as consultation is a total fabrication of the truth. I am also concerned about the effect in the increase traffic, pollution, and flood risk, which I would like to explain more fully at the hearing I reserve the right to speak if I think I have a valid response or question.

Due to recent changes too the plan may I add to my objections. On receiving a letter on Rochdale planning. It has now come apparent that the site is not suitable for all uses as first stated in previous plan when they was asked why Kingsway was not suitable the response was its not suitable for all types of waste. Now they say nor is mandale park suitable for all uses this now shows that Kingsway is more suitable due to the fact it does not have a flood risk nor is it in an air quality zone area. And as far better access to that site due to having more main roads and a motorway access. Mandale park access has to pass through an air quality zone area. The roads in Sparth bottoms are only suitable for normal domestic use and is already over used therefore due to no new access road it is not a suitable site therefore I propose it is removed from the plan and a new site is found, maybe Kingsway.

Email from Mr Hall dated 20.06.11



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Dear Mr Hall

Thank you for registering a question in advance of the May meeting of Rochdale Township Committee. Your question was submitted to Peter Rowlinson, Service Director for Planning & Regulation Service, and his response is as follows.

There is no plan to construct a waste treatment plant on Mandale Park. The Greater Manchester Waste Plan which will be considered next month at a public inquiry has suggested that over the next fifteen years certain types of facility could be allowed to be located in the Sparth area. An area of search was identified which included parts of Mandale Park but no specific sites are allocated for any development.

The view of Rochdale Council officers is that this plan would allow some new development on existing employment sites where such facilities ALREADY exist. It is expected that any such proposals will improve the operation of these existing sites.

We are working with residents to establish if the boundaries of the existing employment area can be redefined to provide a better relationship between the housing areas and existing employment but any changes will be very minor and will not take place without full engagement with local people.

We expect the Waste Plan will be redrawn to include a much smaller area which would be described as being suitable for a limited range of new uses. These will be small in scale and will operate to the highest standards. They do not include any scope for large scale uses which take land from Mandale Park.

Thank you once again for submitting your question and attending the Committee.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Val White'.

Val White
Assistant Township Manager – Rochdale

Blackston, Natalie

Subject:

From: Stan Castleton

Sent: Thursday, June 09, 2011 11:59 AM

To: 'd hall'

This is what I was thinking of

From: Paul Simpson P

Sent: 28 April 2011 15:19

To: Stuart Hay

Subject: RE: Mandale park waste facility.

Stuart I have agreed a note of the meeting with GMGU and will send this to Kenny Farrar next week for him to agree. It can then be circulated to others/you.

We have recorded the steps we and GMGU took and these have been presented to the Waste Plan Inspector. At the recent Pre-Inquiry meeting he said (in front of the Mandale residents) that as far as he was concerned "the legal requirements have been met". They now need to focus their comments on what changes they want to the Plan.

We have started working with the residents to agree common ground and an agenda to improve the area. We had a walkabout round the area with Peter Rowlinson, Donna Bowler, Peter Maynard and a delegation of residents yesterday (arranged with Kenny) and a meeting afterwards to map out our thoughts and ideas. It was a good meeting and over the next week or two we will draw up a plan of action. We will then arrange a meeting end of May to agree the plan of action and start consulting with the local businesses. We also undertook to investigate some activities that may have strayed beyond their planning permission.

We should therefore be able to present a statement of common ground to the Inspector and any recommendations for changes to the Waste Plan area before the Examination hearing.

Dear Mr Hall thank you for passing to me the report produced by the GMWDA in relation to waste disposal sites.

I have to say I am disappointed about the reference to myself and the LSP and as I indicated to you over the phone I think a number of issues have impacted on the situation.

On behalf of the Greater Manchester Districts, the GMGU were keen to ensure that each District's LSPs were involved and consulted on the Waste Plan so that this would help to ensure that the relevance of the Waste Plan to LSP would be understood and so that information could be passed on. They did however take a blanket approach and made assumptions about how LSPs were established supported and functioned across Greater Manchester. Many had/have a large dedicated team; in Rochdale this wasn't and isn't the case.

LSPs were not set up in the same way and had differing levels of resource attached to them according to each Local Authority.

Here in Rochdale the LSP was supported by a single officer and did not have the resources to identify and make direct contact with all local groups as the GMWDA had assumed.

I understand the Council's Planning Service briefed elected members, Township Managers, prepared press releases, notices, provided information and documents on the Councils web site, and made sure that copies of all documentation was distributed to libraries and information points. Unfortunately, GMGU's consultation database did not include the names all local groups and so the consultation was not as comprehensive as we all would have liked. Also, the Council's Planning Service has admitted that it should have liaised better with GMGU and my team to maximise publicity.

As I understand it the GMGU report is a summary of the comments received and a brief response by GMGU. Evidence to be submitted to the Examination will make matters clear about the process and our respective roles.

I can confirm that there was no direct report to the LSP although officers did produce a summary for inclusion in the LSP Bulletin. I understand you have a copy of the bulletin, but have attached another if this isn't the case. This bulletin is produced for information and isn't discussed at meetings unless a member requests this. It is intended to provide a flavour of an issue and a link or contact details if any members require more information.

The bulletin is shared as part of the agenda and papers for the LSP with a number of officers on an information basis and this includes township managers. The Township Committees were not consulted directly; all members of Council were invited to briefing sessions and key decisions were made by the Council's Cabinet prior to approval of the Greater Manchester Waste Plan Joint Committee. I hope this clarifies the role of the LSP and Township Office in Rochdale and the response in relation to the Waste Disposal Plan.

Fortunately, a number of residents and other interested parties did get to know about the Mandale proposals through press releases and press articles. Therefore their views (which I understand represent the views of a number of Sparth and Brimrod residents) and will be considered by the Councillors and the Examination Inspector. I also understand that the Planning Service has had two meetings with residents about those objections and is considering recommending to the Inspector that the proposals should be revised having regard to the representations received.

Lea Fothergill/LSP



REPORT

INFORMATION BULLETIN LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD 26th January 2009

1. LPSB meeting dates 2009-10

The following dates have been scheduled in for LPSB meetings throughout 2009-10. Following the meeting on 8th December members were canvassed and in the main were happy to retain Mondays from 12 to 2.30 including lunch. The meetings detailed below will all take place at the Learning & Development Centre, Chichester Street, Rochdale. All performance meetings have been tied in with the production of performance management reporting.

27th April 2009 (strategic)
1st June 2009 (performance)
13th July 2009 (strategic)
24th August 2009 (performance)
12th October 2009 (strategic)
30th November 2009 (performance)
18th January 2010 (strategic)
1st March 2010 (performance)

Please put these into your diaries

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2. Update on the Greater Manchester Joint Waste Development Plan Document

This report provides an update on recent progress on the Greater Manchester Joint Waste Plan and the next stage in the preparation of the Plan. The Plan is intended to provide a planning framework for sustainable waste management therefore has implications for the delivery of the Community Strategy, in particular 'Creating a Cleaner Greener Environment' and the Quality of Place Partnership.

European and government policy is putting increased pressure on local authorities to deliver more sustainable waste management and to identify sites for a range of new waste management facilities for recycling, composting, treatment and recovery. The Greater Manchester Joint Waste Development Plan Document (JWDPD) will provide the basis for planning for the future provision of the necessary waste management infrastructure in Greater Manchester and will contain both site allocations for new facilities for the treatment and handling of waste, and development control policies to guide decisions on proposals for waste facilities. The plan, which will form part of the

- New governance section completed; including compliance procedure, code of conduct and sign-up criteria
- Cross sector Local Compact workshops held in March, April and November 2008 to increase awareness and confidence to use the Local Compact
- Summary feedback from workshops distributed to all attendees and lessons learned fed into the future design and content
- Compact actively promoted with sign-up opportunities at local events, for example the CVS Open Day
- Reports and presentations to relevant partnerships and organisations; for example the VCSP and HMR NHS Executive Management Team
- A number of new signatories, including Barnardos, Rochdale Play Association, Cartwheel Arts, Spotlight on Falinge Ltd, RADPAC and Fairbridge
- All existing Local Compacts distributed and second editions purchased
- Regular updates sent to Champions summarising progress
- Cross sector representatives attended the Compact Debate event in Birmingham to contribute towards the debate regarding whether the Compact should be made statutory. A joint cross sector response was submitted by the Steering Group
- Starting to develop a Procurement Code of Good Practice, to complement the existing codes
- Local Compact specified in the delivery plan for local area agreement national indicator 7, an environment for a thriving third sector.

The Local Compact has received some criticism regarding the slow rate of development and limited publicity but this is largely recognised as due to limited resources. It is anticipated that the Local Compact will be better resourced through the delivery of NI7.

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Appendix 2. Glossary

Affordable Housing - Subsidised housing and low-cost market housing available to people who cannot afford to occupy houses generally available on the open market.

Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs) - If a local authority finds areas where the objectives of the Air Quality regulations are not likely to be achieved, they are required to designate an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) and draw up an action plan setting out the measures it intends to take in pursuit of the objectives.

Biodiversity - The range of life forms which constitute the living world, from microscopic organisms to the large trees, animals, their habitats and the ecosystem in which they live.

Birds Directive and SPA - The Birds Directive was adopted by the European Community in 1979. Its provisions include the identification and designation of Special Protection Areas (SPA) for rare and vulnerable bird species. The South Pennines Moors is a Special protection area.

Building Schools for the Future (BSF) - Is the biggest ever school buildings investment programme. The aim is to rebuild or renew nearly every secondary school in England.

Carbon Sink - Atmospheric carbon in the form of carbon dioxide is captured and stored in living (trees and other green vegetation) or non-living reservoirs (soil, geological formations, oceans, wood products).

Climate Change - Climate change refers to the build up of man-made gases in the atmosphere that trap the sun's heat, causing changes in weather patterns on a global scale. The effects include changes in rainfall patterns, sea level rise, potential droughts, habitat loss, and heat stress. The greenhouse gases of most concern are carbon dioxide, methane, and nitrous oxides.

Combined Heat and Power (CHP) - the simultaneous generation of usable heat and power (usually electricity) in a single process, thereby reducing waste heat and putting to use heat that would normally be wasted to the atmosphere, rivers or seas. CHP is an efficient form of decentralised energy supply providing heating and electricity at the same time.

Community Infrastructure - Facilities available for use by all the community, such as church or village halls, doctor's surgeries and hospitals, even public houses. Community facilities could also include children's playgrounds and sports facilities.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) - Levy on development proposed by the government to fund infrastructure to support housing and economic growth.

Community Strategy (Pride of Place) - A local strategy for the future of the borough outlining actions towards environmental, economic and social well-being. All Council policies and strategies must comply with the Community Strategy.

Conservation Area - An area of special historic or architectural interest whose character must be preserved or enhanced.

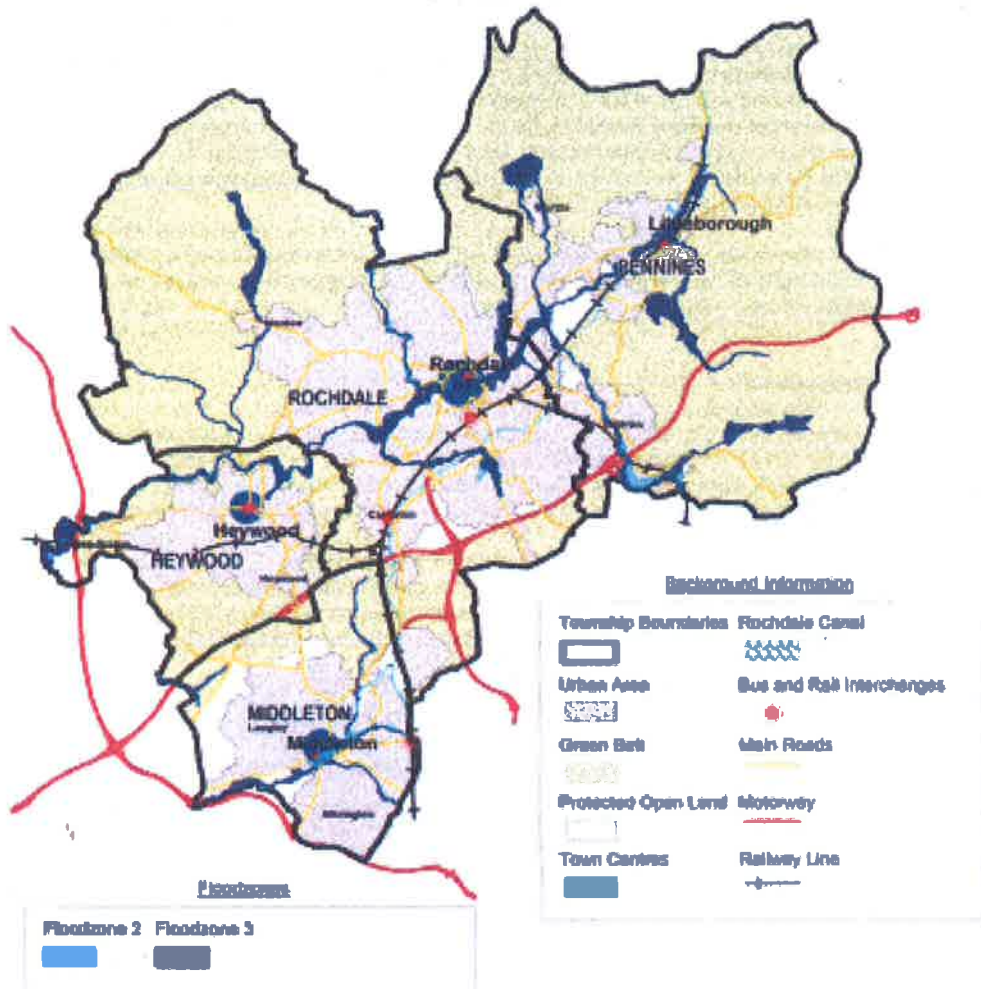
Core Strategy - Forms part of the Local Development Framework (LDF) and sets out the long term spatial vision, spatial objectives and strategic policies for the Local Planning Authority area. The Core Strategy will have the status of a Development Plan Document (DPD).

Critical Drainage Area (CDA) - A location which has known surface water drainage issues and where the sewer network may be at capacity increasing flood risk locally and downstream.

Decent Homes Standard - A decent home is one which is wind and weather tight, warm and has modern facilities.

Decentralised energy infrastructure - energy supply from local renewable and low-carbon sources, i.e. on site or near site, but not remote off-site.

Floodzones



Strategic Flood Risk Assessment

A Level 1 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) (BP 117) has been produced for Greater Manchester by the Association of Greater Manchester Authorities which provides a strategic overview and introduction to flood risk from all sources (including rivers and surface water based risks) based on available information.

The Council has undertaken a more detailed Level 2 SFRA (BP 246) for the borough (in partnership with Bury and Oldham Councils) which examines actual and residual flood risk from all sources within higher risk communities i.e. where there is the greatest level of flood risk (flood zones 2, 3a and 3b). An allowance has also been made for the inevitable but as yet uncertain impact of climate change on flood risk. The Level 2 SFRA is accompanied by an initial assessment of strategic mitigation options and a user guide.

In summary, whilst there are pockets of flood risk throughout the borough, the main source of flood risk in Rochdale (town) is from the River Roch and its tributaries, notably Buckley Brook. In Littleborough, there are also risks from the River Roch and its tributaries including Eales Brook, Featherstall Brook, Lydgate Brook and Townhouse Brook. There are also flood risks associated with the River Beag in Minrow and Newhey. The Rochdale canal could also pose flood risk in parts of the borough if breached or flood waters overtopped its banks. Surface water flood risk can also be found in many parts of the borough but particular issues are concentrated in Littleborough and Heywood which have been identified as critical drainage areas in the SFRA. Future priorities for flood risk management in the borough will include producing a strategic flood risk management strategy which may form part of or accompany a surface water management plan. The map on page 60 shows the Flood zones within the borough.

5.4.4 Pollution

Pollution can occur through the impact of new development including air, water, noise and light pollution. It can affect health and amenity throughout the borough although there are areas which are particularly affected, especially transport corridors and locations close to or including employment sites or contaminated land. Information on contaminated land and air quality is in Section 8. Each person in the authority has a carbon footprint, which is the amount of carbon dioxide emitted per head per year. For the year 2005 - 2008 this was 6.1 tonnes per person. The map on page 71 of this paper shows the areas of significant pollution.

5.4.5 Waste

Information on waste and minerals is contained in the evidence base for the Greater Manchester Joint Waste Development Plan Document (BP 115). The Greater Manchester Geological Unit holds and manages the information used to inform the plan.

5.4.6 Minerals

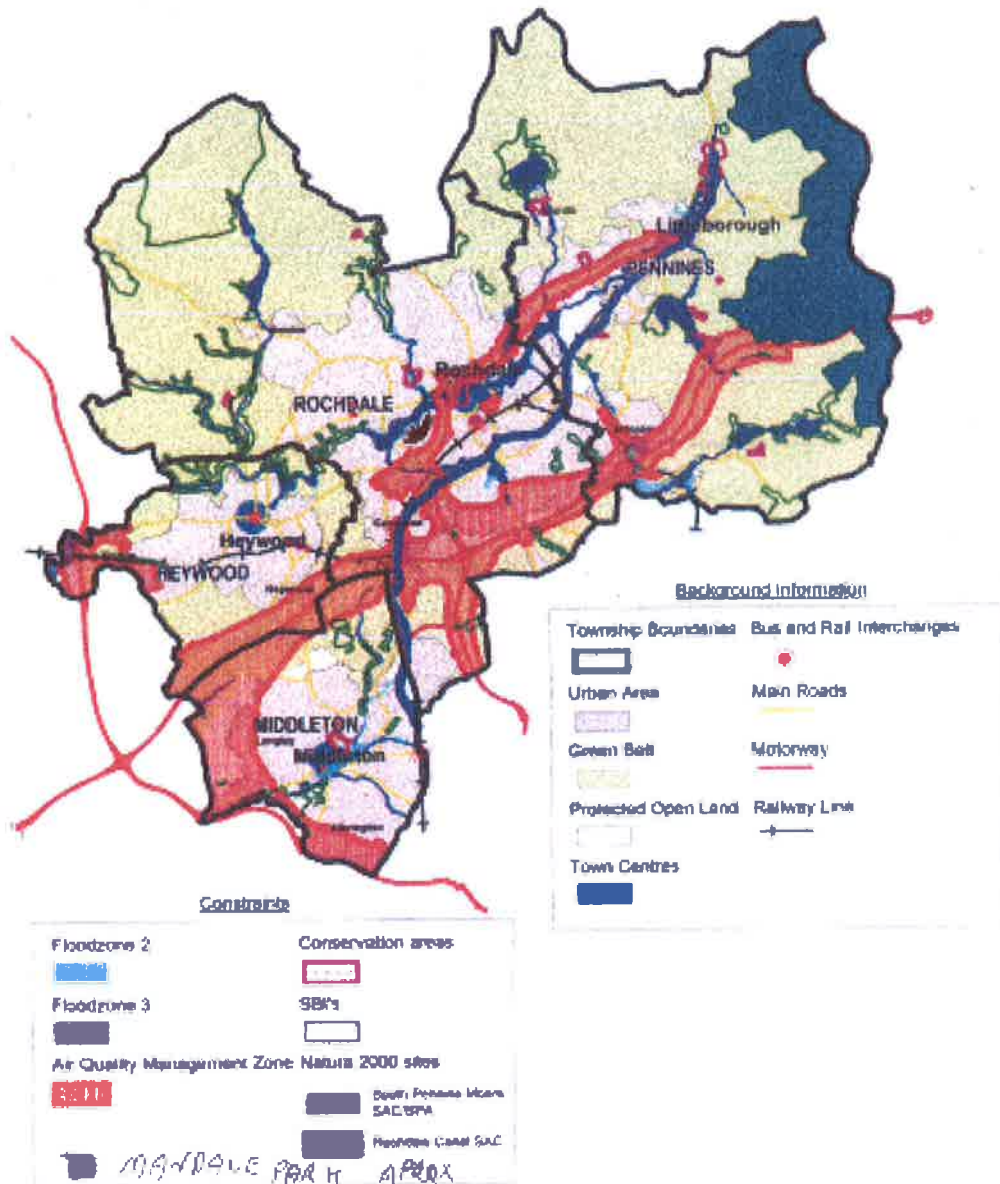
Work on a Joint Minerals Development Plan Document for Greater Manchester is underway. In addition to information provided in the Spatial Portrait, further information on need, supply and demand as well as monitoring of the policies for mineral working is available from the Greater Manchester Geological Unit.

5.4.7 Natural landscape

The Pennine hills dominate the landscape to the north and east of the borough. They include moorland, reservoirs, wooded valleys which are all home to important natural habitats. The landscape to the south west of the borough, around Middleton and Rochdale is predominantly an urban environment.

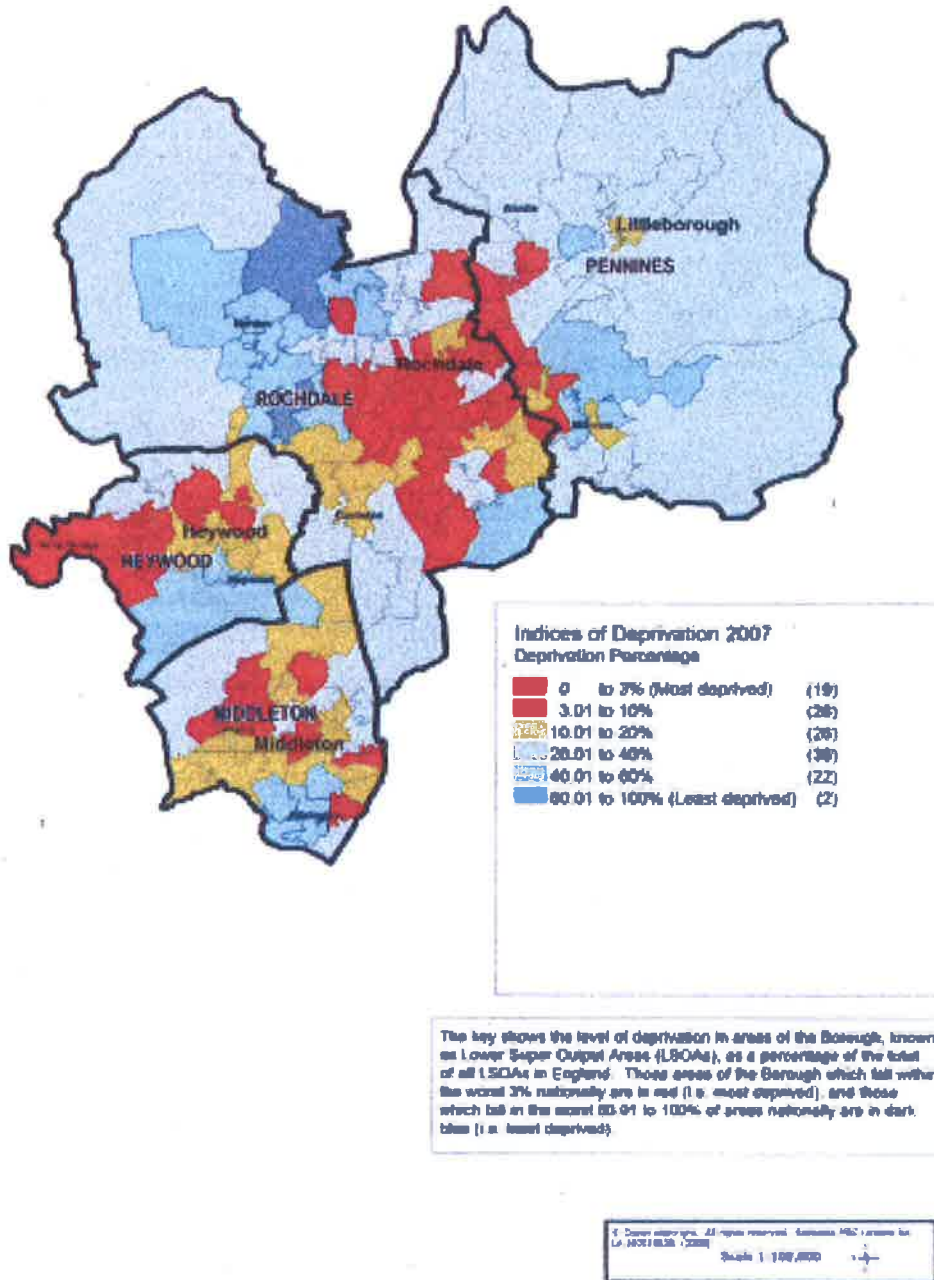
The borough does not currently have a detailed landscape assessment for the whole district. The landscape falls largely within two of Natural England's character areas, namely the south Pennines and Manchester Pennine fringe. The standing conference of southern Pennines authorities (now Pennine Prospects (BP 178)) has carried out a landscape character assessment. With the assistance of the Greater Manchester Archaeological and Ecology Units a broad landscape assessment of key landscape

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5.5.7 Bus services

There has been a steady rise in both subsidised and commercially viable bus services in the borough since 2004 and weekday off peak bus patronage in the borough is well above average Greater Manchester levels (50% above 1985 levels compared with 36% Greater Manchester average) with evening bus mileage increasing by 4% in the last year. Work to upgrade bus stops, shelters waiting facilities and access facilities on core quality bus corridors is complete as are major junction improvements at Townhead, Sudden and Oldham Road/Kingsway. Patronage has risen by 15% on the Rochdale, Oldham, Tameside bus corridor since the quality bus corridor measure were implemented. They have resulted in the narrowing of the gap between bus and car journey times.

A travel plan has been approved and is being implemented for Kingsway Business Park and are prepared for all large development proposals in the borough including the Council's own projects. 61% of the borough's schools (58 in number) had travel plans in place at the end of 2006/2007 with a further 19 in progress at that time.

5.5.8 Traffic flow

With regard to the strategic highway network, motorways account for 18% of the borough's major highway network but carries 61% of the traffic. The busiest all purpose road in the borough is the A66 Manchester Road with a 2007 average annual daily traffic flow of 48,100. Traffic flows on Rochdale borough's A and B roads increased by 1% in 2007 and 8% between 1993 and 2007 compared with a 2% increase over the same period in Greater Manchester. This indicates that the borough's transport policies need to continue to encourage a greater proportion of travel to be by modes other than the car.

5.5.9 Car parking provision

In the early part of the Local Development Framework period car parking provision will be a key issue, particularly in Rochdale during re-development of the town centre. It is anticipated that there will be an increase in short stay parking of 0.5% per annum as a result of new developments. There is also increasing competition for parking spaces adjacent to railway stations. This will become more intensive particular at Rochdale railway station where supply is reduced with construction of Metrolink starting.

5.5.10 Travel to work patterns in Rochdale borough

A high proportion of travel to work journeys (77.2%) are within the borough (around 54,000 trips). Locations from which Rochdale borough attracts travel to work journeys are:

- Oldham (6,200);
- Bury (4,200);
- Rossendale (2,513 trips);
- Manchester (1,667 trips);
- Calderdale (1,116 trips);
- Bolton (1,096 trips);
- Rest of England and Wales (1,008 trips); and
- Tameside (897 trips).

With regard to travel work movements out of the borough the most popular destinations are:

- Oldham (7,599 trips);
- Manchester (outside the city centre – 5,374 trips);
- Manchester City Centre (4,461 trips);
- Bury (3,689 trips);
- Salford (2,875 trips);
- Rest of England and Wales (1,677 trips);
- Trafford (1,488 trips);
- Tameside (996 trips); and
- Bolton (969 trips).