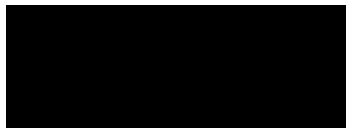


# Northern West Sussex Statement of Common Ground: July 2023

## 1. List of Parties Involved

- Crawley Borough Council
- Horsham District Council
- Mid Sussex District Council
- West Sussex County Council

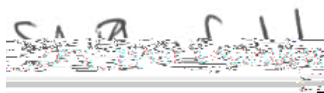
## 2. Signatories



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subsequently revised to support each of the authorities' Local Plans at examination (July 2014<sup>1</sup>, February and March 2015<sup>2</sup> and March 2016<sup>3</sup>). Each successfully secured adopted Local Plans<sup>4</sup> which were found to meet the Duty to Cooperate.

The authorities also work with partners in the wider 'Gatwick Diamond'<sup>5</sup> area to address strategic planning issues. The aim of this work is to promote the continued prosperity of the Gatwick Diamond and plan for its future growth. As part of this wider area, the



→ Strategic sites and/or sites on the boundaries between authorities.

#### Employment and economic development:

The Northern West Sussex Authorities are located within the wider economic areas of the Coast to Capital Local Enterprise Partnership and the Gatwick Diamond. Joint evidence base work dates back to 2009:

- Employment Land Review (part 1 and part 2), CBC, HDC, MSDC (2009/2010)
- Gatwic



4. *Health – there is recognised capacity constraints on GP provision across the area, particularly with the decision by the NHS not to bring forward new provision as originally planned within the Forge Wood and Kilnwood Vale neighbourhoods. However, the introduction of Primary Care Networks is anticipated by the Integrated Care System to enhance capacity.*
5. *Water/Waste Water Treatment facility enhancements to respond appropriately to emerging evidence.*
6. *Renewable energy generation to help tackle climate change: cross-boundary infrastructure/measures which will help achieve nationally- and locally-set targets.*
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14. *To work collaboratively on Plan preparation and evidence whilst acknowledging others' timetables and timescales. To respect each other's right to develop their own plans that fit the specific circumstances of the District/Borough's communities*
15. *To meet regularly at Member and officer level to review the situation and respond to new issues and changing circumstances.*
16. *To consider the role and extent of the Housing Market Area in relation to the Strategic Matters for Planning.*
17. *To liaise jointly, and individually, with adjoining Authorities and those in overlapping Housing Market Areas as well as other cross-authority Geographies (such as the Functional Economic Areas, City-Region, Gatwick Area, River Basin and Habitat Regulations).*
18. *To work to produce a joint evidence base on relevant issues wherever possible and*