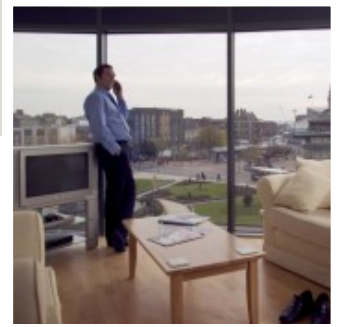


Hull Development Framework

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The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act (2004) came into effect on 28th September 2004 and is the first new planning act for more than a decade. It brought in a new planning system based around Local Development Frameworks and Regional Spatial Strategies.

As part of a programme of radical reforms to the planning system in England and Wales its purpose is to make the planning less complex, more accessible, efficient and one that actively engages the community and stakeholders in the planning process.

At the local level, the Act has brought about some important changes to the development plans system. The old system of Local Plans and Structure Plans are replaced with Local Development Frameworks and Regional Spatial Strategies. The Yorkshire and Humber Assembly is currently responsible for preparing the Regional Spatial Strategy (although this is proposed to be passed to the Regional Development Agency, Yorkshire Forward) and Hull City Council is required to prepare a Local Development Framework.

The Hull Development Framework (HDF) is a collection of planning policy documents which will replace the Local Plan. Some of these documents are summarised here.

- **The Core Strategy** will be a central part of the HDF and sets a long-term vision for the city until 2026. It sets out the principles for future development and establishes the relationship between the city and the wider region. It suggests the best way for locating new housing, business, shops and open space and will help decide where future investment should go.
- **The Employment Land Review** forms a key part of the HDF. It helps the local authority to understand how the nature of the local economy may change and how the local market operates. Information gathered during the Review will be used to assess the current need for employment land and where best to plan future sites for business use. The Forum has been actively involved in this Review.
- The **Hull City Centre Area Action Plan** will direct the rate of change and regeneration, helping to create new and improved shopping, leisure and cultural facilities, new housing, jobs and improved public spaces in the city centre. The Plan aims to assess issues surrounding current City Centre performance particularly in terms of the provision of knowledge-based jobs, shopping and housing.
- Outside the City Centre, the **Newington and St Andrews AAP** and **Holderness Road Corridor AAP** will address the 'housing market failure' evident in much of the city. The Gateway Pathfinder has been set up with the aim of transforming these neighbourhoods and halting housing market failure.

There are many stages in the development of the HDF including periods of evidence gathering and public consultations. The HDF will be published in September 2011.

More information is available online from [Hull City Council Planning](http://www.hullcitycouncil.co.uk/planning).