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1.0 Purpose and Status of the Document

1.1 This is adopted by Reading Borough Council as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). It is a material consideration in the determination of planning applications.

1.2 The purpose of this document is to set out the obligations which will be sought from developers at the construction and end user phases of development to contribute towards a range of employment, skills and training measures to mitigate the impacts of development to ensure that local people can better access job opportunities arising from new development.

1.3 The Employment, Skills and Training Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) forms part of the Local Development Framework (LDF). A SPD is a lower-level document that expands upon existing policy within a higher-level Development Plan Document (DPD). In this case, the SPD provides further detail to adopted (2008) Core Strategy Policies CS9: Infrastructure, Services, Resources and Amenities, which identifies the requirement for planning obligations “in order to ensure that the development is both sustainable and contributes to the proper planning of an area in accordance with relevant planning policies”; CS13: Impact of Employment Development, which requires employment development to provide mitigation measures in line with its impacts on the demand for housing (including affordable housing), labour and skills, and on the transport network; and adopted (2012) Sites and Detailed Policies Document (SDPD) Policy DM3: Infrastructure, which sets out priorities for infrastructure planning and includes economic development services and infrastructure including skills development initiatives.

1.4 The SPD also contributes towards delivering the aims of adopted Core Strategy Policy CS3: Social Inclusion and Diversity, which requires that major developments demonstrate measures to enhance social inclusion in terms of access to a range of services including employment, and that new development does not result in or increase the potential for economic and/or social disparity.

1.5 This SPD replaces Section 5 Economic Development Measures of the adopted Planning Obligations under S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Supplementary Planning Guidance (final SPG Amended 2004). Other Sections of that SPG currently remain operational.
2.0 **Context**

2.1 Reading was originally identified as a regional ‘Hub’\(^1\) and one of eight ‘diamonds’ for investment and growth, within the South-East’s Regional Economic Strategy 2006-2016 (2006). It was also designated as a ‘New Growth Point’\(^2\). Although neither the New Growth Point Status nor ‘Diamond’ are now applicable, the Council’s policies and position reflect the emphasis on sustainable growth inherent in the development of these policies and initiatives. Reading welcomes sustainable growth and planning policies continue to reflect that emphasis.

2.2 Reading is once again listed as one of the top economies in the UK (2012)\(^3\) in terms of being best placed for a private sector led recovery. However, The Local Economic Assessment of the Reading Diamond (2010) highlights weaknesses of a “poorly achieving underclass in education and skills especially at the entry and basic levels”. It goes on to highlight that “the skills and education level of the labour force” is a “crucial dimension of the Diamond’s future economic vitality, flexibility and competitiveness…”\(^4\).

2.3 Despite growth over the decade to 2011, especially in B1 (knowledge intensive) uses, 30% of Reading’s working age population still lack level 2 qualifications (i.e. basic skills). The continued failure to improve local skills levels will inhibit economic growth. Significant predicted jobs growth locally and sub regionally presents the opportunity to maximise skills development and employment opportunities for local people through securing contributions from developers. This is to mitigate against their developments, contributing to Reading’s current ‘skills mismatch’ and skills shortages.

2.4 A better, appropriately skilled local workforce can provide a pool of talent to both developers and end occupiers. This will reduce the need to import skills, and in doing so reduce congestion and unsustainable travel to work modes, reduce carbon emissions and the pressure on the local housing infrastructure.

3.0 **Policy Background**

3.1 The [National Planning Policy Framework](#) (2012) sets out the Government’s commitment to securing economic growth. With

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1 A focus for improvements to accessibility, for higher density land uses, and for high quality transport interchange facilities - Regional Spatial Strategy for the South East
2 Areas proposing an average rate of new housebuilding at least 20% higher than set in plans in October 2003.
3 Centre for Cities Outlook 2012
4 Reading Diamond’s Local Economic Assessment, 2010
regard to business needs it states that “Local planning authorities [LPAs] should have a clear understanding of business needs within the economic markets operating in and across their area”. This includes “..working closely with the business community to understand their changing needs and identify and address barriers to investment, including a lack of housing, infrastructure or viability”. Included within the areas which LPAs should assess, using their evidence base, are “locations of deprivation which may benefit from planned remedial action.”

3.2 Reading’s Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS, April 2011) includes the key themes of ‘People, Place and Prosperity’. Under the Prosperity theme the SCS identifies as paramount the need to “embed sustainable economic growth solutions”. One of the current challenges highlighted is the need to improve employment and skills outcomes. In terms of addressing this challenge the SCS recognises the need to diversify the economy through ensuring that more local people are able to access jobs and employment, and those in work have the skills required to prosper. The SCS identifies that there will be a focus on activities which develop skills for business, to improve competiveness, and ensuring development offers opportunity for local people, e.g. increase the number of apprenticeships offered by local employers. A more coherent and focussed approach to improving training and skills outcomes through S106 will help to contribute to these priorities.

3.3 “Driving Reading’s World Class Economy - An Economic Development Strategy,” Reading UK CIC (2011)5, summarises the key issues emerging from the Local Economic Assessment (2010)6, as:

1. Promoting and sustaining the local economy;
2. Skills and education; and
3. Transport, housing and infrastructure.

The Strategy identifies that the skills and abilities of our workforce are vital to sustaining economic potency. One of the key outcomes identified is a more highly skilled workforce with this objective being achieved by “employment & skills plans implemented for major development sites as part of the Skills for Business [SfB] campaign”

3.4 The Council’s adopted Core Strategy Policy CS13: Impact of Employment Development, specifically deals with the impacts of employment development and the need to mitigate the impacts including, but not exclusively, with regard to skills and childcare. There is specific reference to maximising the potential of the existing population to fill jobs, through improving their skills. The Core

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5 http://www.livingreading.co.uk/economic-development-strategy.
6 http://www.livingreading.co.uk/local-economic-assessment
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Strategy also focusses on the social effects and policy CS3: Social Inclusion and Diversity states that “major developments should demonstrate measures to enhance social inclusion in terms of access to housing, employment, services, ...”. The accompanying text identifies that “planning processes must recognise the potential for disparities and deprivation, ensuring that new development does not result in, or increase the potential for, economic and/or social disparity”. Policy CS9: Infrastructure Services, Resources and Amenities, identifies the requirement for planning obligations “in order to ensure that the development is both sustainable and contributes to the proper planning of an area in accordance with relevant planning policies”.

3.5 A more detailed policy is set out in the Sites and Detailed Policies Document, Policy DM3: Infrastructure. This sets out priorities for infrastructure planning and includes economic development services and infrastructure, including skills development initiatives and childcare.

3.6 Promoting employment skills and training opportunities for local people will generate local employment opportunities and reduce carbon emissions, all of which will contribute to sustainable economic development. Focusing activities largely at those most marginalised from the workforce, including those that lack the skills required by employers, will help reduce deprivation and improve social inclusion.

4.0 Justification

4.1 The National Planning Policy Framework (CLG, 2012) states that planning obligations should only be sought where they meet all of the following tests:

- Necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms;
- Directly related to the development; and
- Fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.

4.2 Local planning policies are clear that employment generating development should provide mitigation measures in line with its impacts on the demands for housing, labour and skills and on the transport network. Reading Borough Council’s adopted Core Strategy states that “the tight labour market of Reading...means that additional employment development could result in still greater pressures on housing in the Borough, more congestion and longer commuting distances.”

4.3 As well as a lack of basic skills there is also evidence of a shortage of skills in specific sectors from within Reading’s working age
population, which clearly affects their ability to access new jobs being created. New development and employment growth will exacerbate existing skill shortages. This will lead to a greater proportion of the labour supply being sourced from outside of Reading which creates unsustainable long distance commuting or added pressure on housing. In addition there is the need to expand the local labour market in line with growth of employment from new development, to avoid detrimental impacts on other local employers.

4.4 Seeking planning obligations to maximise the potential of the existing population to compete for the jobs being created, whether during the construction phase or end user phase, through improving their skills levels, is necessary to ensure that future development is economically and socially sustainable, and that barriers to employment for those marginalised from the workforce are removed.

4.5 Developers often identify projected employment outcomes as part of the justification for development. It is important therefore that the impacts of economic development are mitigated and the economic benefits of new development in terms of improved local skills and employment outcomes are realised.

4.6 The recession has had a marked impact on Reading businesses and residents, with a sharp increase in the unemployment rate, which has resulted in greater competition for jobs making it increasingly difficult for those people with low skills to access employment. There is also evidence that the current economic climate is impacting more heavily on the most vulnerable communities as there are 12 Super Output Areas (SOAs)\(^7\) within 20 percent of the most deprived in England compared with 11 in 2008 and 8 in 2004\(^8\), indicating a growing inequality. Education, skills and training deprivation is a particular issue in Reading, with nine Super Output Areas within the 10% most deprived in England, seven of which are in south Reading.

4.7 Not only is it clear that skills levels are a key determinant of a sustainable local economy, but they also have an impact on employment opportunities and thus an individual’s economic prosperity. Up-skilling the area’s labour force will be key to maintaining its economic competitiveness. It will also bring wider benefits in terms of income equality and, potentially, a reduction in child poverty. Securing obligations for skills development and employment of local people will be necessary to enhance social inclusion by reducing the potential for economic and social disparity, another key policy driver at the local level.

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\(^7\) Super Output Areas are a new geography designed by The Office for National Statistics (ONS) for the collection and publication of small area statistics.

\(^8\) Index of Multiple Deprivation 2007, DCLG
5.0 **Types of Employment, Skills and Training**

5.1 There are two key areas of employment, skills and training for which S106 planning obligations will be sought. The first is the *construction phase* for all large developments, the second at the *end user phase* of large commercial development. The measures will seek to mitigate the impacts of development through ensuring that local people can better access job opportunities arising from development.

5.2 Planning obligations secured through S106 will be used to assist local residents to receive training during the construction phase, and to support/provide the training and skills needed to access the new job opportunities created by the developments’ end-user. During the construction phase, developers will be expected to make best efforts to employ local contractors, subcontractors, apprentices and trainees.

5.3 For both the construction and end-user phases, developers and occupiers will need to be committed to working with the Council (and Reading’s economic development company)\(^9\) to develop a site specific *Employment and Skills Plan (ESP)*. The S106 agreement will require the implementation of the approved ESP. **Funding to deliver the ESP outcomes will be the responsibility of the developer working in consultation with the Council, its ESP delivery partner and relevant skills and employment delivery partners. This will be based on meeting a specified number of training/apprentice/up-skilling outcomes.**

5.4 ESP’s typically cover the following outcomes (both construction & end use phases):

- Number of apprenticeships
- Employment/training initiatives
- Training and work experience for younger people, including those who are not in employment, training or education (NEET)
- Best endeavours to maximise local labour
- Local procurement agreement - potential for local businesses to be included in tender lists.

5.5 Delivery of the ESP will require collaboration between a large number of agencies and organisations. Reading’s economic development company, will work with the developer/end user and will provide assistance and guidance in identifying the most appropriate providers/suitable delivery partners to match the skills and training needs of the ESP. The SfB coordinator will monitor the overall ESP.

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\(^9\) Reading UK CIC is Reading’s economic development company and is responsible for delivering skills priorities on behalf of the Local Strategic 2020 Partnership, and coordinate the delivery of publically funded 19+ accredited skills and training.
5.6 A financial contribution will be sought where a developer chooses not to implement an ESP. The contribution will deliver a package of training and skills outcomes for local people. The funding required will be based on the calculation in Section 6. below. The SfB coordinator will deliver a detailed, fully costed ESP (to be agreed with a developer). This will be for training and skills outcomes commensurate to the scale of the development including skills coordination, targeted support programmes, job brokerage schemes and Skills for Business Initiatives. Examples of initiatives are set out below.

5.7 The Council would welcome other innovative approaches to delivering employment, skills and training outputs, which could include collaborative working between more than one developer. There would, however, still be an overseeing role for the SfB coordinator.

Construction Phase

5.8 Funding secured through S106 planning obligations for construction skills will support construction specific training for local people. There are a range of courses which currently exist through mainstream college provision, Pre Employment Training and Sector Based Work Academies. The types of training might include the following:

Pre-Employment Training - construction:
- Up to 30 hours a week for a maximum of 2 weeks;
- Up to 5 days work experience on site;
- Training equipment and materials
- CV and interview preparation and techniques;
- Personal safety equipment
- Reasonable expenses relating to training (e.g. travel)
- Issue of appropriate site safety ‘licences’ (i.e. CSCS)

Sector Specific Training Activities
- 19+ construction qualifications where not funded elsewhere;
- Site visits for school and education projects;
- Construction related costs for skills and training to support local community projects;
- Construction apprenticeship places
- Contribution to Skills for Business Co-ordination\(^\text{10}\) where appropriate.

Partners involved in delivering training include New Directions, Reading College and JobcentrePlus, amongst others.

\(^{10}\) Currently operated by Reading UK CIC
End User Phase

5.9 Examples of what end user funding secured through S106 might deliver are as follows (refer also to Appendix 2):

Taking the scenario of a 200 bedroom 4* hotel with associated facilities, based on an employment density of 1 employee per 1.25 bedrooms = 160 staff (using employment density information from Appendix 3)

Pre Employment Training - Catering & hospitality:
• Up to 30 hours a week for a maximum of 2 weeks;
• Up to 5 days work experience;
• Purchasing training and materials
• Food hygiene, first aid and COSHH training;
• CV and interview preparation and techniques.

Sector Specific Training Activities
• Work trials;
• Job related equipment - i.e. chefs whites, knifes;
• Customer service training - i.e. Worldhost;
• 19+ qualifications where not funded elsewhere11;
• Sector specific apprenticeship places;
• Contribution to Skills for Business Co-ordination12.

Partners involved in delivering training include New Directions, Reading College and JobcentrePlus amongst others.

11 Most courses will be funded via JobcentrePlus or colleges, for those out of work, however, there is a real need, supported by labour shortage data to broaden the offer to those that might be in work, to help them up-skill to increase their economic activity/ productivity and skills
12 Currently operated by Reading UK CIC
6.0 How will contributions be calculated and which developments will pay?

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<th>Type of Economic Development Measure</th>
<th>Proposed use/s to contribute</th>
<th>Size of development to contribute</th>
<th>Rate/ means of calculation</th>
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<td><strong>Construction Phase</strong></td>
<td>All</td>
<td>Major applications: -Commercial and other uses of gross internal floor area of 1000m²/ 1ha or more; -Residential - 10 units/ 0.5ha or more</td>
<td>Where an agreed ESP is provided by a developer for them to deliver it will be based on construction benchmarks from the National Skills Academy for Construction projects (refer to Appendix 1), and labour market patterns in the industry. These set out the expected levels of employment, apprenticeships and training for the size of development, based on the total construction cost.</td>
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<td>A monitoring fee will be required for the Skills for Business Coordinator (SfBC) to monitor the agreed ESP. The fee for this will be £25 per training output as agreed through the ESP.</td>
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<td>If a developer chooses not to provide an ESP themselves then a financial contribution will be sought and will be based on the following calculation:</td>
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<td>£2,500(^{13}) x Gross internal floor area of scheme (m²) / 1000m²</td>
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<td>This contribution will be used to fund and deliver the relevant employment, skills and training outcomes. These will be commensurate to the scale of the development, as set out in a detailed, fully costed ESP, developed by the Skills for Business Co-ordinator (SfBC). 3% of the total contributions will be used to support the role of the SfBC.</td>
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<td>The SfBC will be responsible for working with developers to develop and deliver all ESP objectives, to maximise their reach to local people and to report progress including confirmation that all ESP outcomes have been discharged. The SfBC will work across a network of Skills for Business training providers thus providing the developer (and Council) with a single point of contact for all ESP related matters. They will regularly liaise with JobcentrePlus to ensure that clients are able to access ESP training.</td>
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\(^{13}\) Average cost of construction training
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### End User

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<th>All commercial/ employment generating uses</th>
<th>Gross internal floor area of 1000m² or more</th>
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**End use ESP’s will be developed using the expertise and experience of appropriate Sector Skills Councils, local labour market intelligence and appropriate employment density calculations - see Appendix 2: Definition of the end user training initiatives outputs, and Appendix 3: Employment Density.**

End use ESP’s will be negotiated on a case by case basis for all appropriate developments and will seek to maximise the following outcomes:
- Number of apprenticeships generated
- Employment/training for unemployed
- Training and work experience for younger people
- Maximising local labour - minimum 50%

A monitoring fee will be required for the Skills for Business Coordinator (SfBC) to monitor the agreed ESP. The fee for this will be £15 per training outputs as agreed through the ESP.

**If a developer chooses not to provide an ESP themselves then a financial contribution will be sought and will be based on the following calculation:**

- Gross internal floor area of development (m²) / average employee density for development type \(^{15}\) x target percentage of jobs filled by Reading residents (50%) x percentage without level 2 skills (30%) x £1500 \(^ {16}\)

This will be used to fund the relevant employment, skills and training initiatives as defined in an ESP developed by the SfBC. 3% of the total contributions will be used to support the Skills for Business Co-ordinator (see above for the SfBC role).

All training will lead to accredited qualifications.

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14 Consideration will be given to basing the calculation on the net increase, where some/all of the floorspace has been in continuous use for at least 6 months in the 12 months leading up to the submission of the planning application

15 Using HCA Employment Density figure – See Appendix 3

16 Average cost of end user related training

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APPENDIX 1: BENCHMARKS TO BE USED IN CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYMENT SKILLS PLANS (ESP), AND DEFINITIONS OF THE OUTPUTS

The National Skills Academy for Construction - Client Based Approach was launched in June 2011 after being piloted in certain local authorities. This defines Employment and Skills based benchmarks for developments based on build cost. The benchmarks have been set as a result of experience from the National Skills Academy for Construction projects and an analysis of labour patterns in the industry. The benchmarks have been amended slightly to reflect Reading’s local priorities - namely;

- Increased apprenticeships
- Employment/training for unemployed
- Training and work experience for younger people
- Maximising local labour - minimum 50%

They have been prepared across a range of different construction value bands in terms of outputs and scope of employment and skills which they support and will be used as basis for drawing up the ESP.

To calculate the number of outputs the table is used as follows:

Multiply the benchmark multiplier for the appropriate band by the full construction value of the scheme divided by 1,000,000.

E.g. Apprenticeships - for an £8m scheme = \( \frac{8,000,000 \times 0.6}{1,000,000} = 5 \).

Note: The figures should be rounded to the nearest whole number for the purposes of setting the target outputs.
**Benchmark Table: For Construction Employment and Skills Plan (ESP)**

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<th>Employment and Skills Outputs</th>
<th>Band 1 1m-3.49m</th>
<th>Band 2 3.50m-9.99m</th>
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<th>Band 5 30m-39.99m</th>
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<th>Band 7 50m-59.99m</th>
<th>Band 8 60m-69.99m</th>
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<td>CC Construction: all developments generating 50 jobs (FTE’s) or more over the entire build cycle to participate in a construction trade related Sector Based Work Academy (SWBA) exclusively for young people (minimum cohort x 10 - leading to 5 guaranteed on-site jobs). SWBA required for each 50 FTE jobs on site</td>
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**Definitions of Outputs Identified in the Benchmark Table: For Construction Employment and Skills Plan (ESP)**

**First principles**
The parties to this agreement agree to work collaboratively to maximise training and skills outcomes for local people. They recognise that the use of local labour in both the construction and in the appropriate end user phase (where appropriate) is a mechanism for addressing local skills shortages, empowering communities to take responsibility for themselves and ensuring that local residents share in economic success.

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<th>(A) Apprentices - applicable to all developments lasting 12 months or longer</th>
<th>Definition</th>
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<td>Created 16-18</td>
<td>The developer is responsible for ensuring the relevant number of apprenticeship places are created on site - either directly or through the developers managing agents and their supply chain. The developer is responsible for all associated costs.</td>
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<th>(B) Employment Initiatives</th>
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| Progression into employment - unemployed less than either 9 months for 18-24 year olds or 12 months for 25+ | Number of individuals who have been unemployed for up to either 9 or 12 months and enter into employment and/or structured sector specific employment training initiatives, including:  
  - work experience placements (where appropriate)  
  - appropriate site safety ‘licences’ where applicable (i.e.CSCS/PTS),  
  - Pre Employment Training (PET)/Sector Based Work Academies (SWBAs)  
  - PET’s and SWBAs require guaranteed interview for successful completion. and be created to suit the needs of the developer as appropriate. |
| Progression into employment - unemployed more than either 9 months or 12 months as above to support work programme | Number of individuals who have been unemployed for either 9 or 12 months months and enter into employment and/or structured sector specific employment training initiatives, including:  
  - work experience placements (where appropriate);  
  - appropriate site safety ‘licences’ where applicable (i.e.CSCS/PTS);  
  - Pre-Employment Training (PET)/Sector Based Work Academies (SWBAs)  
  - PETs and SBWAs require guaranteed interview for successful completion. |
### (B) Employment Initiatives (ctd)

**Progression into employment - young people aged 18 - 24**

Construction: All developments generating 50 jobs (FTE’s) or more over the entire build cycle to participate in a construction trade related Sector Based Work Academy (SBWA) exclusively young people (minimum cohort x 10 - leading to 5 guaranteed on site jobs).

SBWA required for each 50 FTE’s jobs on site.

### (C) Training initiatives - new entrants

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<th>School/College/University site visits (no of students)</th>
<th>The developer agrees to allow supervised and pre-arranged access to the site for educational purposes. The developer further agrees to consider off site visits to support local education, including the promotion of construction as a career, site health and safety and technical lectures.</th>
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<td>Work experience/shadowing 14 - 16 years (no of persons)</td>
<td>The number of 14-16 young people undertaking work experience/work shadowing placements with the site team/trade contractors and/or the schemes occupier where appropriate. This can include block placements of one week or more, or one / two days per week. A work experience/work shadowing placement is to be a minimum of 5 days in total.</td>
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<td>Work experience 16+ years</td>
<td>The number of people undertaking work experience placements with the site team/trade contractors and/or the schemes occupier where appropriate. This can include block placements of one week or more, or one / two days per week. Can also include Entry to Employment and university student placements, which will be particularly relevant for the larger projects. A work experience placement is to be a minimum of 20 days.</td>
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| Work experience NEETS | The number of young people that are not in employment, education or training undertaking work experience placements with the site team/trade contractors and/or the schemes occupier where appropriate. This can include block placements of one week or more, or one / two days per week. A work experience placement is to
### (D) Maximising local employment

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<th>Employment category</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>Construction</td>
<td>For construction projects generating 50 jobs (FTE’s) or more, the developer will make best endeavours to employ at least 50% of all staff on site who are resident in the Reading travel to work area (defined as the Boroughs of Reading, Wokingham and Bracknell). This applies to all supply chain contractors and sub-contractors. For development generating 50 jobs (FTEs) or more, the developer agrees to attend local Job Fairs as appropriate. All jobs created to be advertised through Reading Jobcentre Plus to maximise local recruitment opportunities.</td>
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### APPENDIX 2: DEFINITION OF THE END USER TRAINING INITIATIVES OUTPUTS - COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS ONLY

| Sector specific ‘end user ‘training (if appropriate) i.e. retail/logistics/hospitality | The number of people who have entered into sector specific ‘end user/occupier’ training, work experience and skills programmes. This could include;  
• work experience placements (where appropriate)  
• appropriate site safety ‘licences’ where applicable (i.e. CSCS/PTS),  
• Pre-Employment Training (PET)/Sector Based Work Academies (SWBAs)  
• PETs and SWBAs require guaranteed interview for successful completion. and be created to help the end user deliver 50% local employment |
| --- | --- |
| Maximising local employment | For developments generating 50 jobs (FTEs) or more the end occupier/user and its nominated agents will make best endeavours to employ at least 50% of all staff from those resident in the Reading travel to work area (defined as the Boroughs of Reading, Wokingham and Bracknell).  

Employment uses generating 50 jobs (FTEs) or more the end occupier (where known) agrees to attend local Job Fairs as appropriate.  

All jobs created to be advertised through Reading Jobcentre Plus to maximise local recruitment opportunities. |
APPENDIX 3: EMPLOYMENT DENSITY

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<tr>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Use Type</th>
<th>Area per FTE (m²)</th>
<th>Floor Area Basis</th>
<th>Comment on potential variation</th>
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<td>Industrial</td>
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<tr>
<td>B2</td>
<td>General Light Industry (Business Park)</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>GIA</td>
<td>Range of 18 - 60 m²</td>
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<tr>
<td>B1(c)</td>
<td></td>
<td>47</td>
<td>NIA</td>
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<tr>
<td>Warehouse &amp; Distribution</td>
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<td>B8</td>
<td>General</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>GEA</td>
<td>Range of 25 - 115 m² The higher the capital intensity of the business, the lower the employment density. Wide variations exist arising from scale and storage duration.</td>
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<td>B8</td>
<td>Large Scale and High Bay Warehousing</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>GEA</td>
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<tr>
<td>Office</td>
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<tr>
<td>B1(a)</td>
<td>General Office</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>NIA</td>
<td>Includes HQ, Admin and 'Client Facing' office types</td>
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<td>B1(a)</td>
<td>Call Centres</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>B1(a)</td>
<td>IT/ Data Centres</td>
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<td>B1(a)</td>
<td>Business Park</td>
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<td>B1(a)</td>
<td>Serviced Office</td>
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<td>A1</td>
<td>High Street</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>NIA</td>
<td>Town/ City Centre</td>
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<td>A1</td>
<td>Food Superstores</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>NIA</td>
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<td>A1</td>
<td>Other Superstores/ Retail Warehouses</td>
<td>90</td>
<td>NIA</td>
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<tr>
<td>A2</td>
<td>Financial &amp; Professional Services</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>NIA</td>
<td>Includes the back office function area as well as the customer facing areas.</td>
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<td>A3</td>
<td>Restaurants &amp; Cafes</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>NIA</td>
<td>Range of 10 - 30 m²</td>
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<td>Leisure &amp; Visitor Attractions</td>
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<td>C1</td>
<td>Budget Hotels (3 star)</td>
<td>1 employee per 3 bedrooms plus casual staff</td>
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<td>C1</td>
<td>General Hotels (3 star)</td>
<td>1 employee per 2 bedrooms</td>
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<td>C1</td>
<td>4/ 5 Star Hotels</td>
<td>1 employee per 1.25 bedrooms</td>
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<td>D1</td>
<td>Cultural Attractions</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>GIA</td>
<td>Very wide range exists, so use with caution. Excludes external areas</td>
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<td>D2</td>
<td>Cinemas</td>
<td>90</td>
<td>GIA</td>
<td>Range of 40 - 120 m²</td>
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<td>D2(^{17})</td>
<td>Amusement &amp; Entertainment Centres</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>GIA</td>
<td>Range of 40 - 100 m² - excludes external areas.</td>
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<td>D2</td>
<td>Sports centres and Private Clubs</td>
<td>65</td>
<td>GIA</td>
<td>Range of 30 - 100 m²</td>
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\(^{17}\) Some Sui Generis use classes are applicable – includes launderettes, taxi businesses, car hire businesses, filling station, scrap yards, shops selling or displaying motor vehicles for sale, retail warehouse clubs, hostels, theatres, amusement arcades and centres, fun fairs, night clubs, casinos.

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