Housing & Economic Land Availability Assessments (HELAA) - Viewing Notes

You should read the full Report as well as these user guidance notes.

The Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) was last reviewed and published in May 2012. The last main Economic Land Availability Assessment (ELAA) was carried out in December 2010. The data in both these assessments together with the residential (RLA) and commercial commitments (CILLA), as provided by the West Sussex County Council, were combined in December 2014 to form the new Housing & Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). The first interactive HELAA was published on the website in November 2016. It is updated once a year usually in November.

The version presented here is the 2018 version. It follows a consultation and call for sites undertaken over the summer. This version incorporates all the new submissions and updates to existing sites. All new dwelling sites completely built out have been removed and the latest dwelling commitments from West Sussex County Council (up to 31st March 2018) have been added. The WSCC Commercial assessment data (CILLA) for 2018 has not been incorporated into this update yet.

There are a number of ways of viewing the HELAA, the suggested method is via the new interactive map but you can still view it on the web page in PDF form.

Interactive Map

When you first open the map it shows you the whole of the Arun District Area and all the coloured Polygon sites matching each relevant reference in the HELAA (see example above). The polygon sites are colour coded to match their current status in the HELAA.
Table 1: Colour Classification of HELAA Sites

**Deliverable - Commitment:** to be considered ‘*deliverable*’ a site should have extant planning permission, be available now, be in a suitable location for development and be achievable within the next five years (i.e. that development of the site is economically viable). These sites are coloured GREEN on the HELAA map.

**Deliverable:** to be considered ‘*deliverable*’ a site should be available now, be in a suitable location for development and be achievable within the next five years (i.e. that development of the site is economically viable). These sites are coloured BLUE on the HELAA map.

**Developable:** to be considered ‘*developable*’ sites should be in a suitable location and there be a reasonable prospect that the site can be *available* and *achievable* in 6-10 or 11+ years. These sites are coloured YELLOW on the HELAA map.

**Not currently developable:** if it is not known when a site could be made available or viably developed, it is considered ‘Not Currently Developable’ and is coloured RED on the HELAA map.

**Strategic Sites:** These sites are considered deliverable or developable as they are now adopted strategic allocations under the Local Plan July 2018. These sites are shown in GREY on the HELAA map.

**Potential Employment Site:** These are sites considered to be in a suitable location, be available and achievable for employment uses such as Business/Industrial use (not retail/leisure/C2 use). It includes any potential employment sites from the 2010 ELAA, any suitable call for sites submissions and any WSCC CILLA commitments up until 2017. These are coloured YELLOW in the HELAA map.

**Existing Employment Site:** These are existing employment sites from the 2010 ELAA or any built out employment sites from previous WSCC CILLA data up until 2017. These are coloured BROWN on the HELAA map.

Please note that South Downs National Park Authority (SDNP) will have their own data so we do not have any sites showing within the Park area. (In the Choose map layers icon you can tick against South Downs National Park – which will then grey out the Park area)

The interactive map shows the HELAA layers which can be turned on and off. It also has a useful measuring tool (found at the top left of the screen under Choose Map Layers).

If you wish to view the map in aerial photo mode click on the drop down box next to Colour Mapping and lick on Aerial Photography:
You can search for a specific address in the Search address... box (at the top centre of the screen).

Zoom in and pan around using the plus and minus icons on the bottom left of the screen or with a roller ball mouse – roll in and out.

Click and drag with your mouse to move around the map. When you find a coloured polygon site you can left mouse click anywhere within it and an attributes box will appear with the relevant HELAA Reference number. If you actually click on the dot (or polygon point) within the polygon it will bring up an attributes box for the reference of the polygon point as well as the reference of the polygon.

When you click on the ‘Show more’ link on a polygon or polygon point attribute box it opens another ‘More Info’ attribute box – this attribute box shows some key information and the current status of the site. It also contains a link to the latest PDF version of the individual site assessment report.

Key to the ‘More Info’ attribute box:

Existing use codes

AMN = Amenity
CPK = Car Park
GDN = Garden
GRE = Greenfield
IND = Industrial
MIX = Mixed (Residential/Employment/C2 use)
OTH = Other
PDL = Previously Developed Land (Brownfield but not necessarily entered in Part 1 of the Brownfield Register)

Potential Use Codes

EC = Employment site (Business/Industrial)
RES = Residential
MIX = Mixed use (Residential/Employment/C2)
If the site has been added due to a planning permission commitment when you click on the polygon (or point) the attributes box contains a link to the Planning Permission on the website via ‘Planning Ref’ you can then view the details of the planning application.

*There is not an individual assessment report for a commitment site, employment site or C2 use site.

See example below:

The commitment data can be switched on and off along with the polygons and points data under Choose Map Layers in the top right hand side of the screen. The HELAA status colours are also shown in here as well.

Although you can screen print (using Alt + Print screen/Snipping Tool) the maps/documents are not designed to be printed or viewed in paper form. The maps are subject to strict Ordnance Survey Copyright and cannot be copied for any 3rd party use (for example making a planning application). If you require the full report please refer to the PDF’s on the HELAA web page.

Click here to view the interactive map

The HELAA sites are updated and published annually (usually around November. Any errors, new submissions or site updates can be sent via the online form at any time. Factual errors will be corrected as soon as possible but updates to assessments and new sites will only be added and published once a year, therefore the deadline for submitting new site or updates is usually around July prior to the publication in November.