

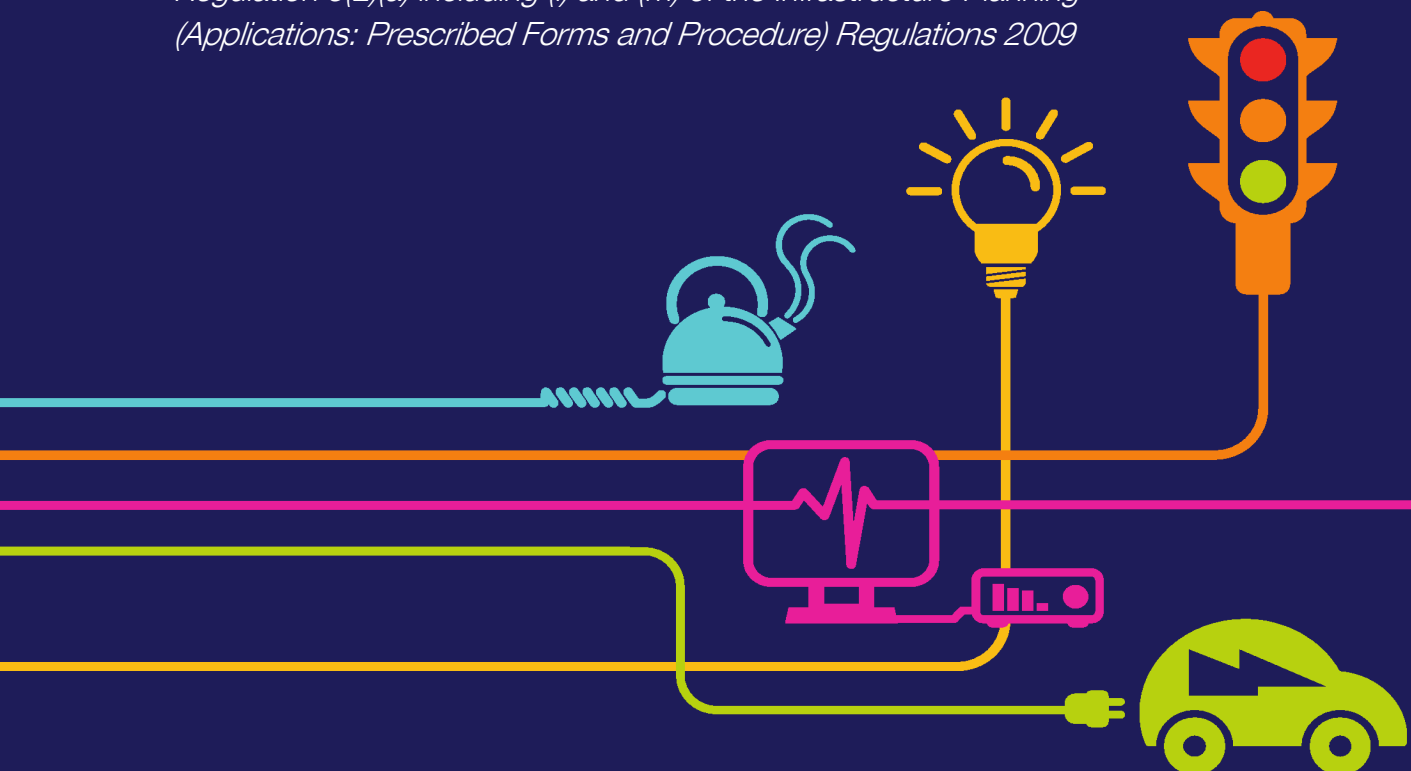
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1. Local Planning Policy

1.1 ANGLESEY AND GWYNEDD JOINT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

- 1.1.1 The Anglesey and Gwynedd Joint Local Development Plan (JLDP) was formally adopted on the 31 July 2017 (Ref 18.3.1), replacing the Gwynedd Structure Plan, 1993 (Ref 18.3.2) and the Ynys Môn Local Plan, 1996 (Ref 18.3.3).
- 1.1.2 The Anglesey and Gwynedd JLDP sets out the Isle of Anglesey County Council and Gwynedd Council's planning policy up to 2026. The key agricultural policies are discussed below.
- 1.1.3 Policy PS5: Sustainable Development, states that: *'Development proposals will be supported where it is demonstrated that it is consistent with the principles of sustainable development. All development proposals are required to progress towards achieving all the following relevant objectives: (7) Reducing the effect on local resources, avoiding pollution and incorporating sustainable building principles in order to contribute to energy efficiency; using renewable energy; reducing/recycling waste; using materials from sustainable sources; and protecting soil quality.'*
- 1.1.4 Policy PS6: Alleviating and Adapting to the Effects of Climate Change, states that: *'In order to adapt to the effects of climate change, proposals will only be permitted where it is demonstrated with appropriate evidence that they have fully taken account of and responded to the following:: (6) Safeguarding the best and most versatile agricultural land.'*
- 1.1.5 The above policies prioritise the use of previously developed land wherever possible (Policy PS5) and seek to avoid development in the open countryside and areas of high quality land, for example Strategic Policy PS6 seeks to protect the BMV agricultural land.

Table 18.3.1: Joint Local Development Plan – 2017 Relevant Policies				
Policy Number	Policy Name /	Policy	Where this is covered in the ES	Compliance Points
Policy PS6		Alleviating and adapting to the effects of climate change	A detailed desk based survey has been undertaken across all land within the study area to provide the relative proportions of ALC Grade 1, 2, Subgrade 3a, 3b, Grade 4 and 5. In addition, soil surveys have been completed in areas of permanent land take, allowing an assessment of the scale of both the temporary and permanent loss of BMV and non-BMV land within the study area.	As stated in Paragraph 9.2.3, at the Tŷ Fodol Tunnel Head House (THH) and Cable Sealing End Compound (CSEC) site, the soil survey identified that there was the potential to reduce the impact to BMV land through the careful siting of infrastructure. Careful siting and considered design has therefore enabled the majority of Tŷ Fodol THH/CSEC to be located on non-BMV land (Subgrade 3b), minimising permanent BMV land take as far as was practicable.
Policy PS5		Sustainable Development	Restoration and After Care: The Outline Soil Management Plan (Document 7.10) sets out the general methods for handling, excavation, storage and reinstatement of soils and peat.	Safeguarding the soil resource

2. References

Ref 18.3.1: Isle of Anglesey County Council & Gwynedd Council (2017) Anglesey and Gwynedd Joint Local Development Plan 2011-2026. Accessed on 10/04/2018. Available at <http://www.anglesey.gov.uk/Journals/j/v/e/Anglesey-and-Gwynedd-Joint-Local-Development-Plan---Written-Statement.pdf>

Ref 18.3.2: Gwynedd Council (1993); Gwynedd Structure Plan. pp31. Accessed on 01/03/17. Available at:
http://www.anglesey.gov.uk/Journals/public/attachments/35/Gwynedd_Structure_Plan.pdf

Ref 18. 3.3: Isle of Anglesey County Council (1996); Ynys Môn Local Plan. pp52. Accessed on 12/02/16. Available at:
http://www.anglesey.gov.uk/Journals/public/attachments/38/Local_Plan_Complete1.pdf