

DMC1 Conservation and enhancement of nationally significant landscapes

- A. In countryside beyond the edge of settlements listed in **Core Strategy policy DS1**, any development proposal with a wide scale landscape impact must provide a landscape assessment with reference to the Landscape Strategy and Action Plan. The assessment must be proportionate to the proposed development and clearly demonstrate how valued landscape character, including natural beauty, biodiversity, cultural heritage features and other valued characteristics will be conserved and, where possible, enhanced taking into account:
- (i) the respective overall strategy for the following Landscape Strategy and Action Plan character areas:
 - White Peak;
 - Dark Peak;
 - Dark Peak Western Fringe;
 - Dark Peak Yorkshire Fringe;
 - Derbyshire Peak Fringe;
 - Derwent Valley;
 - Eastern Moors;
 - South West Peak; and
 - (ii) any cumulative impact of existing or proposed development including outside the National Park boundary; and
 - (iii) the effect of the proposal on the landscape and, if necessary, the scope to modify it to ensure a positive contribution to landscape character.
- B. Where a development has potential to have significant adverse impact on the purposes for which the area has been designated (e.g. by reason of its nature, scale and setting) the Authority will consider the proposal in accordance with major development tests set out in national policy.
- C. Where a building or structure is no longer needed or being used for the purposes for which it was approved and its continued presence or use is considered by the Authority, on the evidence available to it, to be harmful to the valued character of the landscape, its removal will be required by use of planning condition or obligation where appropriate and in accordance with the tests in national policy and legislation.