

## **Section 1: Introduction**

### **Legislative Requirement for the Authority's Monitoring Report**

Under the requirements of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Order Act 2004 (as amended by the 2011 Localism Act) and The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, Herefordshire Council as a local planning authority is required to produce an Authority Monitoring Report (AMR).

The purpose of the AMR is to monitor the implementation of the Local Development Scheme (LDS) and to monitor the implementation of the policies set out in local plan. The Local Plan (2011–2031) currently consists of the Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy

The Localism Act amended the requirement for local planning authorities to produce a monitoring report on an annual basis, this report covers the period up to April 2017. Monitoring data for 2017-18 will be published on the Council website once it becomes available.

The AMR data is being published on the Herefordshire Council website in rather than as part of a printed report. The AMR has been split into a number of sections which deal with particular aspects of monitoring. In some areas detailed data is included within appendices or can be viewed via a link to different web page.

As evidence continues to be developed to support other elements of the Local Plan it will add to the accuracy of the data to measure policy implementation and reduce deficiencies in information.