# APPENDIX B - AMENDMENTS FOLLOWING ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- B1 Following the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2002 the following amendments were made:
- B2 The Committee agreed revisions to wording in the following paragraphs of the documentation in minute reference 246:-

Chapter	Heading Paragraph(s)	Change
Natural Resources	Landscape, trees and agricultural land	2 – Itemise shortcomings associated with blanket designations.
	Tree Protection	3 – Replace 'recommends' with 'states'.
		5 – Insert 'of an appropriate type and size, and in a suitable location' after the word 'replacement'.
	Agricultural Land	1 – Repeat the words which are in the policy in lower case text.
	International Sites	Final – Insert 'As required by English Nature' after the words 'rigorous standards'.
	Other Features of Nature Conservation Interest	1 – Replace the word 'expect' with ' require'.
	Species Protection	2 – Insert 'as agreed by English Nature' after the word 'survey'.
	Policy NR10 - Species Protection	1 – Remove the word 'material'
	Policy NR15 -Creation of Inter-tidal habitats	1 – include examples of appropriate consultees.
Rural Issues	The Metropolitan Green Belt	2 <sup>nd</sup> bullet point – add 'or with the settlements of adjacent Districts'.
	Policy R10 - The Re-use and Adaptation of Existing	1 (part VII) – include a timeframe of at least two

Chapter	Heading Paragraph(s)	Change
	Rural Buildings	years.
Vehicle Parking Standards	Use Class C3 – Dwelling Houses	Final – references to be to minimum not maximum Standards.
Housing Development, Layout and Design	Landscaping	1(III) (a) – Insert 'or tree' after 'hedge'.  1 (III) (d) – replace 'should' with 'will'.

- B3 Following the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2002 the following amendments were made:
- B4 The Committee agreed revisions to wording in the following paragraphs of the documentation in minute reference 609:-
- A **correction** to the detail in paragraphs 3.2 and 3.3 in that a total of 765 additional units had been proposed to contribute towards the overall housing allocation to 2011.

### B6 **Policy HP8**

Members noted the recommendation that Policy HP8 was not essential in the Local Plan, as much of it was covered by other Policies. However, Members were of the view that the paragraph provided a good summary of a number of very important issues and, on a Motion moved by Cllr C I Black and seconded by Cllr P F A Webster, the Committee agreed that it should be retained, together with the inclusion of reference to the provision of primary school facilities.

#### B7 **Policy HP7**

Delete the words "statutory undertakers" and replace with the words "utility providers".

#### B8 **Policy HP9**

Delete the word "encourage" and replace with "require".

## B9 **Policy HP10**

In response to a Member question relating to affordable housing and the "right to buy option", the Head of Legal Services confirmed that, whilst the situation could be reviewed in the future, this legislation currently relates only to houses owned by local authorities. Members noted that on any new residential development scheme of more than 25 dwellings, or over 1 hectare in area, at least 25% of the new dwellings should be provided as affordable housing. Arrangements were also required to ensure that the affordable housing is retained in perpetuity for the use of successive as well as initial occupiers. This would best be achieved through the involvement of a housing association.

B10 Members noted that some housing associations do build for particular categories of people and offer them at discounted rates. However, the tenant cannot insist to buy the property.

# B11 Policy HP14

In response to a question relating to the storage of motorised vehicles in sheltered accommodation, Members noted that a new Supplementary Planning Guidance Note would be produced entitled "Mobility Standards in New Housing" which would link into this policy.