

3 review

These changes in government guidance prompted a detailed review of built development at Cambourne. The findings of the review informed the preparation of a new outline application that proposes a revision of the current masterplan. A new masterplan will be required including new masterplan guidance to implement the proposal. A new Design Guide and a new Highway Design Guide, giving attention to road hierarchy, intersections, on-street car parking, speed reduction and shared surfaces will also be included.

The aims of the proposed revision are to:

- Improve the viability and sustainability of facilities and services by increasing the total population
- Contain development and conserve open countryside by increasing the average density
- Ensure a good mix of housing and create different character areas by retaining higher densities near the centres and transport routes and lower densities towards the edges
- Root the settlement in the landscape and improve legibility by increasing the number of visual and direct connections between the housing areas and the surrounding landscape and countryside
- Increase choice and reduce walking times by increasing the number of connections between routes

Mr. Prescott is critical of the current low density of many residential developments. He believes that densities can be raised to make better use of the available land. All too often, developers have to reduce housing density, whether on greenfield or urban sites, in response to pressure from local residents and planners.

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Good design is not an extra that can be ignored, it is central to creating more attractive living environments and central to delivering sustainable developments through:

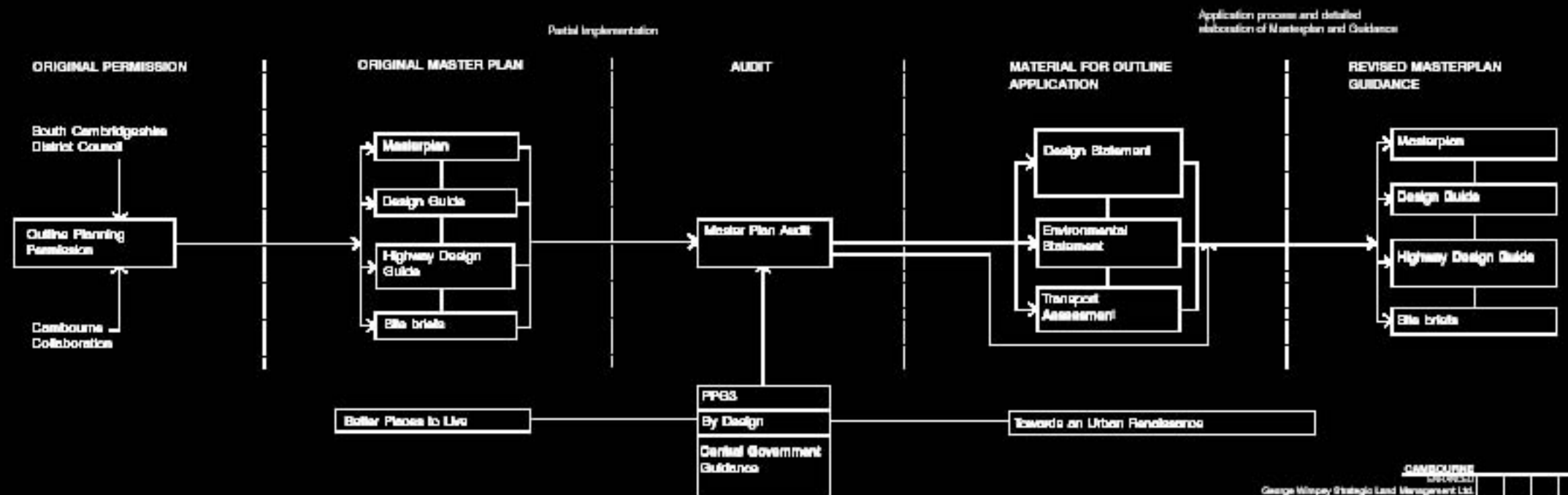
- Making more efficient use of land;
- Promoting better accessibility to local facilities and public transport;
- Supporting crime prevention and community safety;
- Creating more socially inclusive communities;
- Promoting energy efficiency.

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Cambourne model

Photo of the model of Cambourne located in the Information Centre



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