

## Background

Summary of Comments Received	Recommended Response
Picture 2.1 clearly demonstrates that 'all roads' lead to Liverpool, that Wirral is a commuter /dormitory area for Liverpool and that it is difficult to consider Wirral without Liverpool for jobs and housing as part of the greater Liverpool City Region. How has the Council incorporated the views of the Liverpool City Region and the Local Nature Partnership, and what changes did this interaction create in the Core Strategy?	No Change is recommended. The Council has a legal duty to cooperate with Liverpool City region partners and a duty to have regard to the activities of the Local Nature Partnership. The views of Liverpool City Region partners have been incorporated at each stage of the Core Strategy but the Local Nature Partnership has only recently been established. A written record of interaction will be provided alongside the modified Core Strategy before it is submitted to the Secretary of State.
Support the identification of linkages between Wirral and Ellesmere Port and Chester.	No change is recommended.
Questions the calculation of the population increase used in Paragraph 2.3	No change is recommended. 2001 Census population was 312,293 rising to 319,800 2011, 2.4% increase.
Questions the calculation of the increase in households which is quoted as 7,500 in paragraph 2.3.	The Census figure for households was 133,345 in 2001 rising to 140,583 in 2011, an increase of 7,238 households. It is, therefore, recommended that paragraph 2.3 is amended to read: "The population grew by 2.4 percent and by <u>7,300</u> households between 2001 and 2011.
Whilst appreciating the need to shorten the Core Strategy, the expected population and age profile is now relegated to the Spatial Portrait. Surely this information is fundamental to the Core Strategy. There is no strategy to address the needs of the increasingly aged population.	No change is recommended. The Core Strategy is intended to make provision for all age groups. The housing needs of particular age groups will be addressed in the review of the council's Strategic Housing Market Assessment through Policy CS18 – Housing Requirement, Policy CS22 – Affordable Housing Requirements and Policy CS23 – Criteria for Specialist Housing. Policy CS43 – Design Heritage and Amenity provides for all new development be designed to allow people of different ages and abilities to move around without difficulty including provision for tourism, recreation and leisure.