

SALDEN CHASE
OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION

Chapter 15: Cumulative Effects

15.0 SIGNIFICANT INTERACTIVE AND CUMULATIVE IMPACTS

Interactive and Cumulative Effects

15.01 The EIA process for Salden Chase addresses the individual impacts from the proposed development upon the receiving environment. It also considers the opportunities for individual effects to interact, or combine with those generated by recently completed and on going developments in Milton Keynes and the surrounding area.

Interactive Effects

15.02 An interactive effect would arise where two or more significant effects from the proposed development would combine to modify an existing effect or produce a new effect.

15.03 Interactions are predicted from the proposed development and are considered within each section of the ES. An example of this is the interaction of the proposed noise attenuation ridge with the ecological and visual effect of the completed scheme. The provision of a ridge plays an important role in attenuating the noise impact of the development. In addition, the creation of the ridge will enhance the wildlife habitat thus improving the ecological value of the development which in turn will significantly improve the visual appearance of the area. No significant interactive adverse effects have been identified as part of the EIA process.

Significant Cumulative Effects

15.04 Cumulative effects are those that arise when the proposal is considered in conjunction with other development carried out by the applicant.

15.05 The effect of several schemes is considered in conjunction with other developments as the effects of several schemes can be greater than the sum of individual effects.

15.06 Salden Chase forms part of the sub-regional allocation of housing for the Milton Keynes sub region. As detailed in the Planning Statement that accompanies this application the wider impacts of the Salden Chase proposal were considered by the relevant planning authorities in:

- the Milton Keynes and South Midlands Sub-regional Strategy (2005);
- the South East Plan (2009);
- the emerging draft papers for the Milton Keynes Core Strategy (2009);
- the Aylesbury Vale Core Strategy (2009); and
- the Salden Chase SPD which was published for consultation by Aylesbury Vale District Council in January 2010.

The potential for significant cumulative effects arising from the Salden Chase proposal on the wider region has therefore already been considered.

15.07 This ES therefore purely considers the impacts of the Salden Chase development.

15.08 The other cumulative effect is the positive contribution the delivery of Salden Chase will provide towards the provision of the established regional and national growth targets.