

3. DESIGN CODE

3.1 Introduction & Area Types

As shown in the previous chapter, Lichfield District has been divided into a series of Area Types based on the existing character of areas. This chapter sets out the Coding principles which will apply to development proposals in each Area Type. The Code is applicable to development at all scales.

The Design Code will play a vital role in addressing various critical aspects related to urban development. Some of the key issues that will be covered include movement, nature integration, built form, identity establishment, public space, appropriate land uses, residential environments, resource management, and lifespan which are set out in the National Model Design Code (NMDC) 2021.

This district-wide Design Code is being adopted as an SPD. Other SPDs previously adopted by Lichfield District Council will continue to remain relevant and makeup part of the development plan. Where there are specific differences in SPDs, it has been determined that the Design Code will supersede the older documents.

