Appendix C

SEQUENTIAL TEST PROCESS

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Identify site
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Is the potential allocation site in an area at **low risk of flooding**?[1]

— Yes → Is flood risk at the site likely to be affected by climate change effects?

— Yes → Is there an alternative site not sensitive to climate change?

— No (top loop back)

— No (right side)

— Yes → Is this alternative site less suitable, taking into account other planning issues?

No ↓

Is there an **alternative** potential allocation site in an area at low risk of flooding[1]?

— Yes → Is this alternative site less suitable, taking into account other planning issues?

No ↓

Is the potential allocation site in an area of **medium risk of flooding**[2]?

— Yes

No ↓

Is there an **alternative** potential allocation site in Flood Zone 2[2]?

— Yes →

No ↓

Does the site lie in the **Functional Floodplain (Zone 3b)**?

— Yes → Is there an **alternative** site in Zone 3a?

No ↓

Is this alternative site less suitable, taking into account other planning issues?
— Yes → Consider original site.
— No → Consider alternative site.

Consider original site.

Consider alternative site.

Will the proposed development type(s) be acceptable in this Flood Zone[3]?

— Yes →
— Possibly → Are parts a) and b) of the **Exception Test** satisfied?
— No → Revise proposed development type or find another allocation site

Are parts a) and b) of the **Exception Test** satisfied?
— No → Revise proposed development type or find another allocation site
— Yes ↓

Are there other potential allocation sites in the same Flood Risk Zone?
— Yes → Consider other sites. Select best site(s) based on flood risk[5] and other material planning considerations.
— No ↓

Consider site details and flood risk management requirements[4]. Is the proposed development site likely to be safe and appropriate?
— Yes → Proposed development is likely to be acceptable
— No →

Revise proposed development type or find another allocation site

Proposed development is likely to be acceptable