## Blacon High School: High Quality Design and Sustainable Construction



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Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council are committed to high-quality design and sustainable construction.

The Cheshire West and Chester Local Plan was adopted in January 2015 and forms part of the statutory development plan for the borough. The Local Plan will be developed in two parts, Part One Strategic Policies and Part Two Land Allocations and Detailed Policies. The purpose of the Plan is to provide the overall vision, strategic objectives, spatial strategy and strategic planning policies for the borough to 2030. The Local Plan (Part One) will be the starting point when considering planning applications.

It sets out the commitment to High Quality Design and Sustainable Construction, which

is underpinned by eleven principles.

The The Local Plan (Part One) also sets out how Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council complies with with national planning policies - The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) - and that the council will use nationally described standards for any proposals for sustainable buildings.

The Plan concludes: The Government's preferred standards are the Code for Sustainable Homes (CSH), and BREEAM, although these are not the only available and recognised standards that would be acceptable under this policy.

... sustainable design and construction techniques, adaptive reuse, and energy efficiency measures, in both new and existing development, should be used.

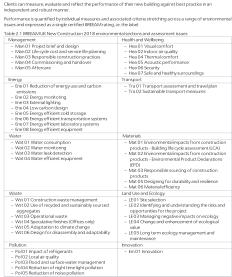
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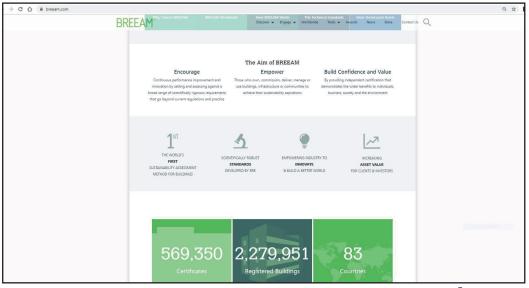
BREEAM is the world's leading sustainability assessment method for masterplanning projects, infrastructure and buildings. It recognises and reflects the value in higher performing assets across the built environment lifecycle, from new construction to in-use and refurbishment.

BREEAM does this through third party certification of the assessment of an asset's environmental, social and economic sustainability performance, using standards developed by BRE. This means BREEAMrated developments are more sustainable environments that enhance the well-being of the people who live and work in them, help protect natural resources, and make for more attractive property investments.

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environment in a robust and cost-effective manner. This is achieved through integration and use of the sche clients and their project teams at key stages in the design and construction process.





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