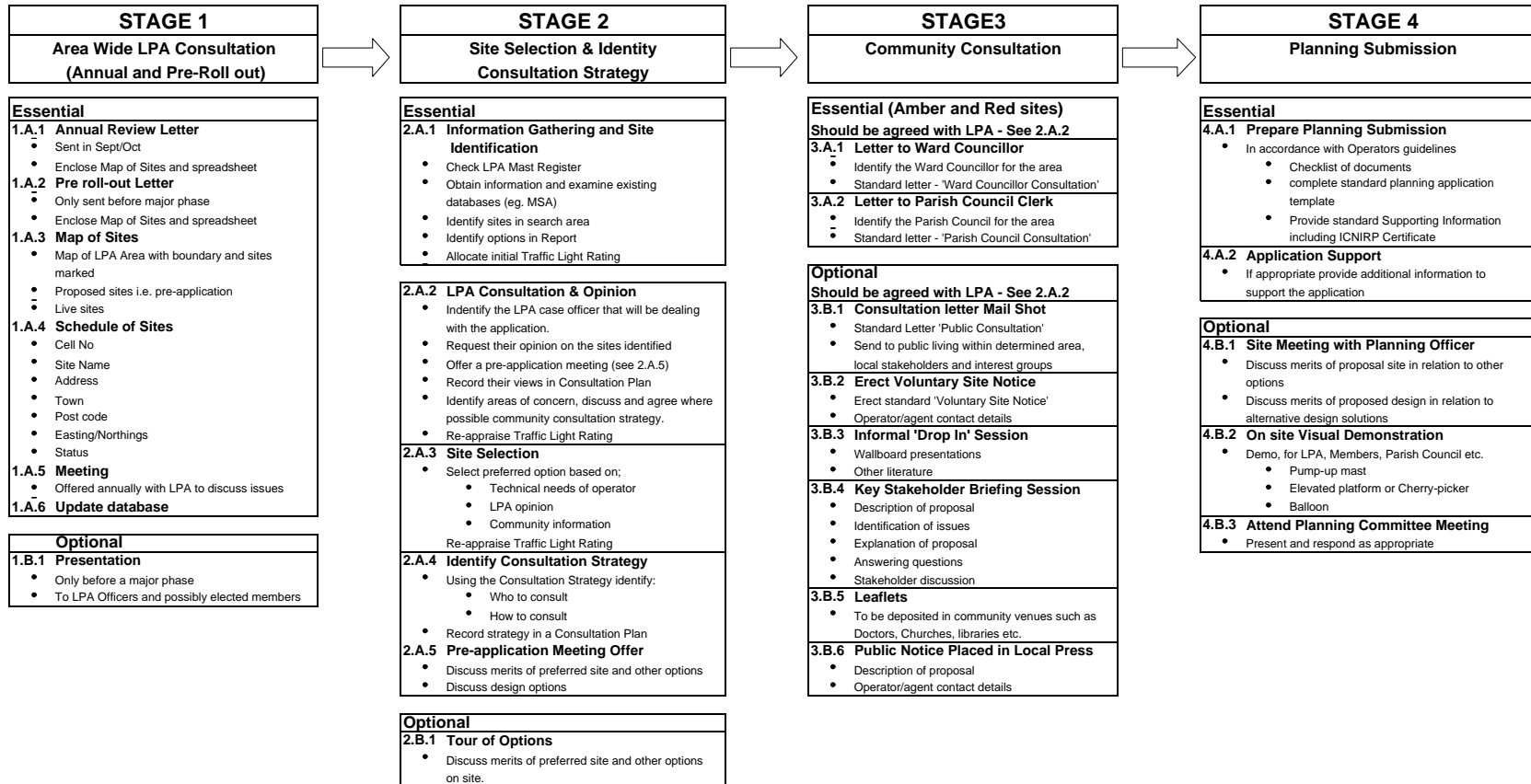


## SITE SELECTION & PLANNING MODEL



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### NOTES:

The model excludes temporary sites (this is defined as a site insitu for no longer than six months) and emergency sites. Should an operator be considering seeking to turn a temporary site into a permanent site, such a site would go through the traffic light process.

Also excluded are sites classed as de minimus and private in building solutions.

This model is to be applied to all new in-building solutions in publicly accessible areas such as airports, railways station and shopping centres.

The model applies to all site shares and to upgrades that require either a full or GPDO\* application (excluding changes or additions of transmission dishes). However, due to detailed process differences in progressing a site share or an upgrade, certain stages of the model are applied differently. Internal operator process documents map out how the stages of the model are applied in these cases.

\*Note: GPDO does not apply to Scotland and Northern Ireland

#### **Scotland:**

For LPA read PA

For Ward Councillor read Local Councillor

#### **Scotland & Wales:**

For Parish Council read Community Council

#### **Northern Ireland:**

For LPA read DOE PS

1.A.5 Amend to "Offered annually with DOE PS

HQ, Div Planning Office and local Council(s) to discuss issues. (Dependent on area and scale of proposals)

### CLARIFICATIONS:

#### **2.A.2**

If it is the position of the local planning authority not to engage in pre-application discussion this should be recorded in a file note.

The views of the Case Officer should be recorded in the site file and not in the Consultation Plan.

In respect of all sites - irrespective of traffic light rating score - the operators will consult as required by government planning guidance and legislation. The optional consultation options relate to amber and red rated sites. An attempt will be made to agree the consultation plan with the local planning officer.

#### **2.A.3**

Traffic Light Rating of preferred option to be reappraised at least once after the initial rating is reached and before consultation is complete.

#### **2.A.5**

## UK

When offering a pre-application 'meeting' it is important to be flexible in the format and method of discussions with Planning Officers. For example, use telephone, email or fax as an alternative to pre-application meetings to allow officers to feedback and participate in pre-application consultation.

## **UK**

### **3.A.1**

If the planning officer expressly requests that ward councillors are not contacted at a pre-application stage this should be recorded in a file note. It should also be recorded if a councilor requests not to be contacted. The Operator may choose whether or not to follow this request.

### **3.A.2**

If the planning officer expressly requests that a parish council is not contacted at a pre-application stage this should be recorded in a file note. The Operator may choose whether or not to follow this request.