timeline of landmarks in 60 years of planning and placemaking

2006

Publication of the draft supplement to PPS1 on climate change and the Code for Sustainable Homes sets out a progressive framework for delivering low-carbon development

2003

The Sustainable Communities Plan published - the plan had two elements:

- it establishes four growth areas for the south east: Milton Keynes & South Midlands, Thames Gateway, London /Cambridge M11 corridor, Ashford
- nine'Pathfinder' areas for regeneration in mostly northern English cities.

1990

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - introduced the 'plan-led' system (Section 54a) and provisions for planning gain (s106 agreements)

1987

The Report of the Brundtland Commission, Our Common Future, defined sustainable development: "Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

1981

Toxteth riots in the suburbs of Liverpool led to Environment Secretary Michael Heseltine launching Urban Development Corporations in 1983

1967

Civic Amenities Act (Duncan Sandys' private member's bill enabling the designation of conservation areas) - Maggie Urquart

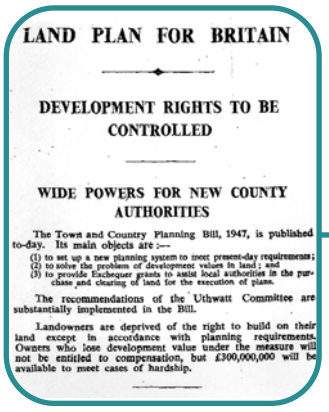
1955

First planning aid service starts at the TCPA

National circular revises policy for green belts "Let the country invade the town" (Sir Ebenenzer Howard founder of the Garden Cities Association/TCPA).

1949

National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act



LAND PLAN FOR BRITAIN

DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS TO BE CONTROLLED

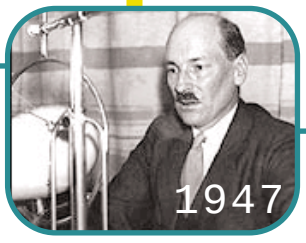
WIDE POWERS FOR NEW COUNTY AUTHORITIES

The Town and Country Planning Bill, 1947, is published to-day. Its main objects are :—

(1) to set up a new planning system to meet present-day requirements;
(2) to solve the problem of development values in land; and
(3) to provide Exchequer grants to assist local authorities in the purchase and clearing of land for the execution of plans.

The recommendations of the Uthwatt Committee are substantially implemented in the Bill.

Landowners are deprived of the right to build on their land except in accordance with planning requirements. Owners who lose development value under the measure will not be entitled to compensation, but £300,000,000 will be available to meet cases of hardship.



1947

Town and Country Planning Act passed. Prime minister Attlee Mention Lewis Silkin - Hall