Title: Land Use Policy Corrections

Synopsis: The Land Use Voting Paper was presented to Spring 2023 conference. This was passed. Due to administrative errors, some policies were not properly presented in conference documentation. Standing Orders Committee and Policy Development Committee have not resolved these errors. Thus this motion is required to correct the errors.

Motion:

Last bullet of LD100 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

* Treating land as a capital investment should be discouraged, as will be trading it for speculative profit

Correct to:

* Treating land as a store of wealth should be discouraged, as should trading it for speculative profit

Third bullet of LD200 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

* a transition in land-use that will take place over a period of 10 years

Correct to:

* a transition in land-use that will be nearing completion in 10 years

Ninth bullet of LD200 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

* healthy food and other resources for local need

Correct to:

* healthy and nutritious food and other resources for local need

In LD304, after the 5th bullet, start a new paragraph with, “Where land is help by….”  
  
and a further new paragraph with, “ The maximum penalty….”  
  
First bullet of LD401 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

* reversing biodiversity loss

Correct to:

* reversing biodiversity loss and increasing abundance

Final paragraph of LD401 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

Change must start now. It should be completed within 10 years. It will be achieved by encouraging and supporting people to be good stewards of the land.

Correct to:

Change must start now and should be nearing completion in 10 years time. This will be achieved by encouraging and supporting people to be good stewards of the land.

Fourth and fifth bullets of LD503 are incorrectly merged, and currently reads:

* Start-up funding for young entrepreneurs in agriculture/horticulture (see FA203) \* Farm and land business advisory services (see FA202, FA204, FA301, FA304).

Correct to:

* Start-up funding for young entrepreneurs in agriculture/horticulture (see FA203)
* Farm and land business advisory services (see FA202, FA204, FA301, FA304)

In LD506, first bullet needs to be split into two bullets that currently reads  
  
“Land Value Tax – see EC780, EC781, EC782, EC792 \* Carbon tax – see EC777, FA301 and CC121”  
Correct to

* Land Value Tax - see EC780, EC781, EC782, EC792
* Carbon tax - see EC777, FA301 and CC121

LD507 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

LD507 Direct government ownership (local, regional and UK) includes public forestry estate (FR200), and social housing (HO500-505).

Correct to:

LD507 Direct government ownership (local, regional and national) includes public forestry estate (FR200), and social housing (HO500-505).

LD508 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

LD508 Enforcement of stewardship responsibilities - As a mechanism of last resort Commons Trust will have enforcement powers (see LD306).

Correct to:

LD508 Enforcement of stewardship responsibilities - As a mechanism of last resort Commons Trusts will have enforcement powers (see LD304).

CC300 first sentence to bullet is incorrect and currently reads:

CC300 The Climate Emergency is also covered in the following chapters of the PSS:

Correct to:

CC300 The Climate Emergency is also covered in the following chapters of the Policies for a Sustainable Society:

CJ361 reference to land policy at end is incorrect.

Correct LD306 to LD304.

EC777 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

EC777 A carbon tax will be introduced whereby a steadily rising price will be placed on sources of greenhouse gas emissions in the UK, and those embedded in imports . The exception to this will be all (non-built environment) emissions from land and livestock management, which will be discouraged via land management investment support (see FA301, FA602, LD505), or restricted via the planning system (see LD502, LD504). Part of the tax revenue will be paid out as dividends to UK residents, while the rest will be used to promote sustainable behaviours, investment in zero carbon solutions, and meeting international climate obligations.

Correct to:

Include reference to (EC779) at end of first sentence. Add LD502 to first list of bracketed references so that it reads “(see FA301, FA602, LD502, LD505)”

FA203 first bullet is currently incorrect and currently reads:

* Agriculture support will be provided by the Land Management Investment and Support scheme (see LD505). This will encourage a combination of sustained and fairly rewarded employment, producing nutritious food, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, high standards of animal welfare, enhancing wildlife habitats, the providing of ecosystem services and the promoting a transition to non-chemical methods of farming.

Correct FA203 first bullet to:

* Agriculture support will be provided by the Land Management Investment and Support scheme (see LD502, LD505). This will encourage a combination of sustained and fairly rewarded employment, producing nutritious food, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, high standards of animal welfare, enhancing wildlife habitats, the providing of ecosystem services and promoting a transition to non-chemical methods of farming.

FA204 first bullet is currently incorrect and currently reads:

* Establish a Food and Agriculture Commission to develop and implement structural and financial changes, including changes to land management investment and support, regulation and taxation. Changes will be delivered by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) and the Forestry Commission (see LD505)

Correct FA204 first bullet to add reference LD502 so that the reference reads “(see LD502, LD505)”

FA301 fourth bullet is currently incorrect and currently reads:

“The carbon tax will be applied to agricultural inputs (such as diesel and fertilisers) (see EC777). Significant land use emissions will be in part limited through the planning systems and land designations. (See LD504).”

Correct FA301 fourth bullet to add reference LD502 so that the reference reads “(see LD502, LD504)”

FA602 first bullet is currently incorrect and currently reads:

* We will support a progressive transition from a diet dominated by meat and animal products to one with a higher proportion of plant-based foods led via public education, public procurement and the impact of carbon tax (EC777) and changes to public investment and support for intensive meat and dairy production (LD505).

Correct FA602 first bullet to add reference LD502 so that the reference reads “(LD502, LD505)”

FR200 first sentence up to colon is wrong and currently reads:

Increase the area of cover in the UK to be between 30% and 40% in 10 years, meeting these forestry objectives within the context of the land use key outcomes (See LD200):

Correct FR200 to omit word “key”:

Increase the area of cover in the UK to be between 30% and 40% in 10 years, meeting these forestry objectives within the context of the land use outcomes (See LD200):

IN402 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

IN402 The National Economic Spatial Strategy will replace the current failed market mechanisms with a planning system that is accountable, not to banks or speculative financial institutions, but democratically to communities. This economic spatial strategy will, along with land use strategies (LD501), steer the planning system to deliver the key outcomes laid out in LD200. These new strategies will fill the void created by the revocation of the Regional Spatial Strategies, so that the 'Duty to Cooperate' principle extends to a national level.

Correct IN402 to omit the word “key”:

IN402 The National Economic Spatial Strategy will replace the current failed market mechanisms with a planning system that is accountable, not to banks or speculative financial institutions, but democratically to communities. This economic spatial strategy will, along with land use strategies (LD501), steer the planning system to deliver the outcomes laid out in LD200. These new strategies will fill the void created by the revocation of the Regional Spatial Strategies, so that the 'Duty to Cooperate' principle extends to a national level.

LP413 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

LP413 All planning applications will be required to submit whole life carbon (including land use change emissions, where relevant, see LD501, 502, 504 and 505) and energy calculations (see EC777). These are to include embodied carbon and energy in both the up-front construction and anticipated maintenance, as well as the operational carbon and energy of the building in use. Embodied and operational carbon to be reported separately in kgCO2e/m2 and kgCO2e/m2/yr respectively. All planning permissions will be granted subject to a pre-commencement condition requiring updated whole life carbon and energy calculations based on construction information.

Correct to:

LP413 All planning applications will be required to submit whole life carbon (including land use change emissions, where relevant, see LD501, LD502, LD504 and LD505) and energy calculations (see EC777). These are to include embodied carbon and energy in both the up-front construction and anticipated maintenance, as well as the operational carbon and energy of the building in use. Embodied and operational carbon to be reported separately in kgCO2e/m2 and kgCO2e/m2/yr respectively. All planning permissions will be granted subject to a pre-commencement condition requiring updated whole life carbon and energy calculations based on construction information.

LP516 is currently incorrect and currently reads:

LP516 To minimise land hoarding, local authorities should exercise compulsory purchase orders in the public interest. See also LD508.

Correct to:

LP516 To minimise land hoarding, local authorities should exercise compulsory purchase orders in the public interest. See also LD304 and LD508.

Renumber current MC373-378, to MC372-377, respectively.

HT043 (formerly TM043) is currently incorrect and currently reads:

HT043 Some areas have many second homes/holiday flats, which are only occupied for a few weeks a year. This produces very limited benefit to the local economy. It is detrimental to the local communities, pushing house prices higher and pricing local people out of the market. The Green Party’s policy of Land Value Tax has no reduction or exemption for properties which are left vacant. It will deter the ownership of second ‘holiday’ homes and encourage greater use of underused buildings. (see EC793)

Correct HT043 at end to replace reference to EC793 with EC781.

RR406 third bullet is incorrect and currently reads:

“the community’s right to place legal limitations on corporate legal privileges, including the right to declare a company’s actions unlawful and prohibited, where that company proposes to carry out an activity in the community which would violate that community’s rights (See LD306).”

Correct reference at end of RR406 to LD306 to LD304.