LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN NEWSLETTER August 2016



Regular updates on the preparation of Brentwood's new Local Plan and other related documents. This issue sets out information about published comments to the Draft Local Plan consultation and an update on other projects.

CONSULTATION COMMENTS PUBLISHED

Consultation on the Draft Local Plan took place earlier this year. We'd like to thank more than 1,200 people and organisations who responded with over 3,900 comments.

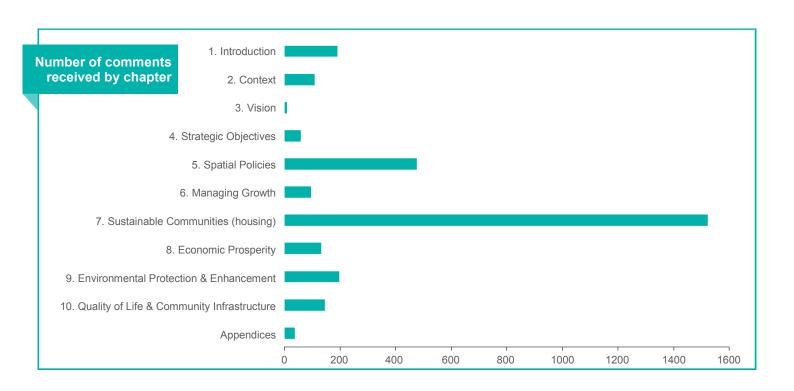
All comments have now been published on the Council's website and are available to view in full on our Consultation Portal, where you can also view online versions of Local Plan consultation documents

A break-down of the amount of comments received by Draft Local Plan chapter is provided below.

WHAT HAPPENS NOW?

Work is continuing on the next stage of delivering the new Local Plan. All comments are being considered and a feedback Consultation Statement summarising each comment and the Council's response will be presented to Committee later this year.

All consultation comments received will inform preparation of the next stage; a presubmission version of the Plan, which will be available for public comment. Other information we consider includes national policy & guidance, and a range of technical studies on various issues such as population, economy, transport, and the environment. This 'evidence base' is being continuously developed and updated, and can be viewed through our Local Plan webpage.





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LOCAL PLAN NEXT STAGES

The next stage in the Local Plan process is to publish a pre-submission document, which will be available to comment on early next year. All comments made in response will then be considered before submitting the Plan to the Secretary of State. The Planning Inspectorate will appoint an independent inspector to carry out the examination in public.

A full timetable setting out preparation of the Local Plan and supporting documents is currently being updated. Once agreed this will be available to view on our Local Plan webpage.

OTHER WORK

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

Alongside the new Local Plan we are preparing a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), which is a charge that will be payable by developers when they begin construction of new buildings. These contributions are then used to help fund supporting infrastructure in the area. Consultation on a preliminary draft charging schedule is due to take place later this year. This will mark the first stage in introducing CIL in the Borough. More information can be found on the CIL page of our website and further updates provided soon.

Infrastructure Contributions Guide

Published by Essex County Council, this developers guide details the scope and range of contributions towards infrastructure which may be sought from developers and land owners to make development acceptable in planning terms. This document is a 'material consideration' when determining planning applications and can be viewed on our website under Planning Guidance.

Brentwood Town Centre Design Plan

We are preparing a design-led plan for the Town Centre, adding further detail to the Borough Local Plan. This will consider how development opportunities (like at William Hunter Way) can contribute to the wider Town Centre rather than be considered in isolation. Once in place the plan will set out a vision for the Town Centre and how development proposals in the area should contribute. More information will be available later this year.



