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Planning for Growth - a new Local Plan for Hertsmere



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We're planning for the future by producing a new Local Plan which is a blueprint for development in Hertsmere.

Hertsmere is a great place to live and work and we're trying to make sure it stays that way, both for existing communities and for future generations. We know the borough will have to grow and develop. Your views will help us to make decisions on the best way to achieve this growth.

In response to last year's public engagement we received 21 new sites. Details of these new sites can be found within the [overview of responses from site promoters, statutory bodies and local interest groups report](#). (PDF 4.87mb).

To help us choose where new development for homes and jobs could take place, we asked for your views on sites that had been put forward for development by land owners and site promoters. The engagement has now closed (on 20 December 2018) but you can still read our [Potential sites for housing and employment, PSHE](#). (PDF 21.86mb) document. Within the document you can see what sites have been put forward by landowners and developers for consideration. We won't need to allocate all of them for development. You can find out about the current stage of Local Plan preparation within [the third issue of our newsletter](#) (PDF 585kb).

Local Plan Preparation Stages



[Visit our Consultation Portal](#)

If you would like to be added to our consultation

database or wish to view previous consultation, please visit [our consultation system](#). The latest consultation closed at midnight on 20 December 2018. All those on the consultation database will be informed of future consultations as the preparation of the new Local Plan progresses. You can view a summary of all the responses received from:

1. the general public within the [overview of responses from general public report](#) (PDF 6.46mb).
2. the site promoters, statutory bodies and local interest groups within the [overview of responses from site promoters, statutory bodies and local interest groups](#) (PDF 4.87mb). An errata to this report can be found [here](#).

As part of the Potential Sites for Housing and Employment (PSHE) consultation new sites were promoted. A map showing all of these sites can be found within the overview of responses from site promoters, statutory bodies and local interest groups report. This now concludes the current call for sites process. Any further submissions will need to be made as part of the consultation on the Draft Local Plan which is currently scheduled for Spring 2020.

Further details on new sites, which have been submitted in response to the PSHE report, can be found on [our consultation system](#), and within the updated HELAA report which will be released shortly. If you wish to submit comments in relation to these new promoted sites please email us at local.plan@hertsmere.gov.uk

There will be a further opportunity to comment on all of the sites included within the Draft Local Plan when this is published.

In [our short video clip](#), Councillor Dr Harvey Cohen, Portfolio Holder for Planning and Localism, explains more about the new Local Plan and the period of public engagement that was held recently.

More about the new Local Plan

The process of creating a new Local Plan for Hertsmere began in 2016. Central government

requires all local councils to prepare a Local Plan, which sets out how the numbers of homes and jobs will be boosted in each local authority area.

The government is currently reviewing its forecast on how many homes will be needed here in Hertsmere, but it is expected that land for at least 500 new homes each year will be needed for the next 15 or more years. Land will also be needed for new jobs, leisure space, community facilities and other infrastructure.

Frequently asked questions

 [Frequently asked questions](#) (PDF 291kb)

Potential sites for housing and employment

As part of our engagement process, we held a number of exhibitions enabling people to come along, see the potential sites that have been put forward and speak to our staff. They were held at:

Exhibition details	Bushey St Margaret's Sports Centre, Merry Hill Road, WD23 1DT Wednesday 7 November 4pm - 8pm
Potters Bar Wyllyotts Centre, Wyllyotts Place, EN6 2HN Tuesday 13 November 4pm - 8pm	Borehamwood St Teresa's Parish Hall, Shenley Road, WD6 1TG Wednesday 14 November 4pm - 8pm
Shenley Shenley Primary School, London Road, WD7 9DX Wednesday 21 November 4pm - 8pm	Radlett Radlett Centre, Aldenham Avenue, WD7 8HL Thursday 22 November 4pm - 8pm

If you were unable to attend the exhibitions, you can view the content of our exhibition boards here.

-  [Generic](#) (PDF 2.13mb)
-  [Infrastructure](#) (PDF 11.54mb)
-  [Bushey](#) (PDF 8mb)
-  [B'wood & Elstree](#) (PDF 12.23mb)
-  [Elstree](#) (PDF 5.59mb)
-  [Garden village](#) (PDF 4.78mb)
-  [Potters Bar](#) (PDF 8.32mb)
-  [Radlett](#) (PDF 5.78mb)
-  [Shenley](#) (PDF 6.33mb)
-  [South Mimms](#) (PDF 2.2mb)

Previous Consultations:

A consultation had previously been held on an

Issues and Options document, which closed on 30 November 2017.

We have listened to what people said in response to the Issues and Options consultation and are committed to continuing to consult throughout the preparation of the new Local Plan. You can view our

 [Report on the Issues and Options consultation](#)
(PDF 2.58mb).

You can view the  [Issues and Options document](#)
(PDF 14mb).

Issues and Options consultation (October - November 2017)

As part of the Issues and Options consultation, we held a number of drop-in sessions around the borough in October and November last year. These enabled people to come along and find out more about what we are doing and ask questions. There was an opportunity to leave questions with us on the day. The  [second issue](#) (PDF 4mb) of our newsletter was also distributed to all households in Hertsmere.

Local Plan launch (Winter 2016 - Spring 2017)

Between November 2016 and April 2017 we asked residents and people who work in the borough to tell us what they like about Hertsmere, what they think should change and what they think are the important issues that the plan should address. The  [first issue](#) (PDF 6mb) of our newsletter was also distributed to all households in Hertsmere.

We received comments from people around the borough, which you can read about in the  [Consultation Report](#)(PDF 4mb)

These comments will help us put together possible options for:

- how much and what sort of development such as housing, offices, retail we should plan for;
- where it should be located in the borough; and
- what other facilities and infrastructure such as schools, GPs, parks, public transport and

roads need to be provided alongside homes and land for employment, and what should be the priorities.

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