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Brentwood Borough Local Plan

Strategic Growth Options Consultation

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Consultation questionnaire

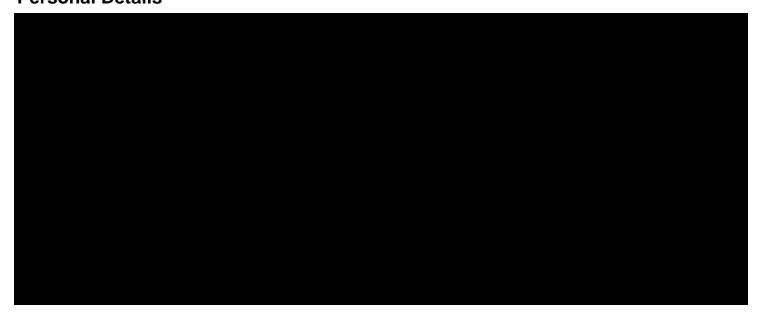
This consultation questionnaire relates to the Brentwood Local Plan Strategic Growth Options Consultation and is provided for you to make comments. Please take the opportunity to read the consultation document before filling in this form and returning to:

Planning Policy Team, Brentwood Borough Council Town Hall, Brentwood, Essex, CM15 8AY or by email to planning.policy@brentwood.gov.uk

Comments need to be received by 5pm on Tuesday 17 February 2015

If you need any help completing this form please contact the Planning Policy Team using the contact details given above or by telephoning 01277 312620.

Personal Details



Questions

The Council is seeking responses on key issues. Focused questions appear in bold boxes throughout the Strategic Growth Options document. These questions are summarised in this consultation questionnaire. More information can be found at www.brentwood.gov.uk/localplan. Please use an additional sheet if necessary. Please note that all responses will be published online. Yes □ No X Q1: Do you agree with the broad areas, for the purpose of considering approaches to growth? Comments There are specific area's which lend themselves clearly to development. These do NOT include the villages around Brentwood which being rural and already at breaking point in terms of schools and transport would be ruined by being developed. The appearance and atmosphere in these area's is crucial to local people and indeed the reason that many of us live there. Property prices would be hit which in turn would ruin the retirement plans of many residents. Yes □ No X Q2: Do you agree with the issues raised within each of these areas? Comments The wording of these questions is very unclear and my responses seem appropriate for many sections. Transport / Employment / Housing. The villages offer only the opportunity

for one of these but taking this opportunity would wreck local life!

Q3: Do you have any comments on the appropriateness of particular sites? Yes X No \square

Comments

Sites nearer to train stations and major roads are more appropriate.

We need to face facts, the days of the High St are limited whether we all like it or not. Lakeside and Bluewater are too close. Developing the High St and car park area's, changing rules to encourage more boutique or speciality shops while adding plats and houses seems to be a more sustainable option.

	The villages just DON'T work.	
	The Brentwood Centre offers many options and could be redesigned to include flats and houses while sustaining it's current role.	
	Q4: Given the greater capacity for growth along the A127 corridor, which of the sites put forward do you think is the best location for growth?	
	Comments New town / Garden Suburb area's offer good options to include employment and transport into any plan.	
	Q5: Should the A12 corridor accommodate growth by releasing sites on the edge of urban areas? Yes □	No X
	Comments No.	
?	Q6: In order to provide for local need is it preferable for Greenfield sites on the edge of villages to be released, or to develop brownfield sites (both within the Green Belt)?	
	Comments NO N	

?	Q7: To enable future employment need to be met do you agree that the most sustainable approach is to allocate new sites close to the strategic highway network?	Yes [1 [No X
	Comments			
?	Q8: In order to ensure that the Town Centre remains economically sustainable, do you agree that a "Town Centre First" approach should be taken to retail development?	Yes [1 [No X
	Comments The High St is an idea from history and sadly need to be reconsidered.			
	Q9: Are there opportunities for more open space provision in the area where you live?	Yes [1 [10 X
(2	Comments No. Q10: Please rate the level to which you value the landscape near where you	ou live (or	n a s	cale

Aspect:	Very Low	Low	Average	High	Very High
Scenic Beauty / Attractivness	1	2	3	4	Х
Outdoor Recreation / Leisure Use	1	2	3	Х	5
Wildlife Interest	1	2	3	Х	5
Historic Interest	1	2	3	Х	5
Tranquility	1	2	3	4	X

Other – please specify: Community	1	2	3	4	Х

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Q11: To what extent do you think the following are present in the landscape near where you live (on a scale of 1 to 4):

Aspect:	Absent	Occasional	Frequent	Predominant
Houses	1	Х	3	4
Commercial / Industrial buildings	Х	2	3	4
Nature Reserves / Wildlife	1	2	Х	4
Farmland	1	2	3	Х
Woodland	1	2	Х	4
Degraded / Derelict / Waste land	Х	2	3	4
Infastructure (Road / Rail / Pylons etc.)	1	Х	3	4
Leisure / Recreation Facilities	1	X	3	4
Other – please specify:	1	2	3	4

Q12: Have we considered the main infrastructure issues? Are there other Yes □ No X important issues to consider?

Comments

The viialges are not served approprately by public transport and only have access to major roads by driving through other villages.

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Q13: What do you think the priorities for infrastructure spending should be?

Comments

Developing space within or near the centre of Brentwood.

Sites near the A127 / M25 junctions.

Sites al	ong the A127.
	areas offer great access to major routes and are already served to ransport.
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