



**BRENTWOOD
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Draft Local Plan

2013 - 2033

February 2016

COMMENT FORM

From 10 February to 23 March 2016 we are consulting on the Draft Local Plan for Brentwood Borough. You can view and comment on the Draft Local Plan online at www.brentwood.gov.uk/localplan

Alternatively, please use this form to share your views on the contents of the Draft Plan.

All responses should be received by Wednesday 23 March 2016

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YOUR COMMENTS

Please indicate which section(s) of the Draft Local Plan you are commenting on (where applicable please clearly state the Policy reference or paragraph number):

“GENERAL” and “TRAVELLER”

Please specify if you Support, Object or are providing a General Comment:
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Support

Object

General Comment

Comments (please use additional sheet if required):

I am concerned at the intention to build or allow planning permission on ‘so called’ “Brown Field Sites”.

It is the definition and its investigation that is the concern.

In cases where the site has been heavily used such as Factories or Garden Centers, there is perhaps a good reason to develop “Tasteful Housing”, although modern “Land Cramming Builds” does put even that thought into question.

Where the land has been used for Farming, Agriculture, Orchards or Grazing, ‘Borrowing the Landscape’, if you like, then a return to Nature is the preferred route, in my mind, to sustain Wild Life at the very minimum or to re-introduce species as an ideal or just to maintain natural feature balance, minimum.

A local attempt to develop has almost endangered Newt and Bat species, but the fight will continue.

I am further concerned at the Council’s “Traveller” policy.

It appears that the current ‘view’ (probably to meet government guide lines) is to squeeze such sites into existing spaces and gaps across the borough.

Young people, struggling to buy or rent property, older people who have worked hard to establish their homes are expected to accept the sudden arrival of a caravan next door – a family who pitch for free.

Whilst I understand the need to help all to a basic level of ‘life’, the Travellers site is rarely used as a Springboard into housing.

The current Travellers zone at Blackmore should continue to be utilized and balanced with a similar site at Dunton Garden Village.