



**BRENTWOOD  
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

# **Brentwood Pre-Submission Local Plan (Regulation 19)**

January 2019

## **COMMENT FORM**

From Tuesday 05 February to Tuesday 19 March 2019 we are consulting on the next stage of the Brentwood Local Plan: Pre-Submission Local Plan (Regulation 19). You can view and comment on the consultation document online at:

**[www.brentwood.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.brentwood.gov.uk/localplan)**

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

All responses should be received by 5PM Tuesday 19 March 2019.

Please return forms either by attaching completed forms by email to **[planning.policy@brentwood.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@brentwood.gov.uk)** or alternatively by post to Planning Policy Team, Brentwood Borough Council, Town Hall, Brentwood, Essex CM15 8AY.

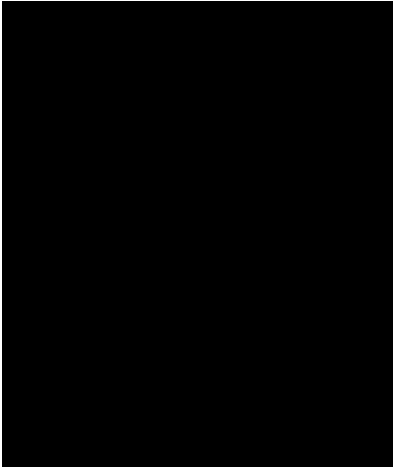
**How to complete the representation form:**

This form consists of two sections – Section A: Personal Information, and Section B: Your Representation. Please note that your representation cannot be accepted without completing information identified in Section A.

The Local Plan Pre-Submission (Regulation 19) consultation consists of more formal and technical questions focused on the four Tests of Soundness and whether the Local Plan is compliant with relevant legislation. Comments are to be focused on three core areas – is the Plan positively prepared (referred to as ‘soundness’), does the Council adhere to the Duty to Cooperate, and is the Plan legally compliant (addressed by question 3 of this comment form). These terms are defined below:

- a) **Soundness:** Local Planning Authorities must prepare a Local Plan based on relevant and appropriate evidence base. They are required to publish these documents on their website. The evidence used to develop the Brentwood Local Plan can be found on the Council’s website under Evidence Base.
- b) **Duty to Cooperate:** Throughout the plan-making process discussions have taken place with various statutory consultees and neighbouring authorities. A summary of these meetings can be found within the Duty to Cooperate Statement, published as part of the Regulation 19 consultation. This is a live document and will be updated prior to being submitted to the Secretary of State.
- c) **Legally Compliant:** Local Planning Authorities must prepare a Local Plan which adheres to the requirements as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), planning practice guidance, and other relevant planning regulations & legislation.

Question 4 of this comment form asks for further information on your opinion of the Plans ‘soundness’. According to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) para

Section A: Personal Details	
Title	Miss
First Name	Monica
Last Name	Eades
Job Title (if applicable)	
Organisation (if applicable)	
Address	
Post Code	
Telephone Number	
Email Address	

## Section B: Your Representation

Please complete a separate sheet for each representation that you wish to make. You must complete 'Part A – Personal Details' for your representation to be accepted.

Representations cannot be treated as confidential and will be published on our Consultation Portal. Any representations that are considered libelous, racist, abusive or offensive will not be accepted. All representations made will only be attributed to your name. We will not publish any contact details, signatures or other sensitive information.

Full Name	Monica Eades
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Question 1: Please indicate which consultation document this representation relates to?

The Local Plan

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Sustainability Appraisal

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Habitat Regulations Assessment

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Question 2: Please indicate which section of the indicated document identified above that you are commenting on (where applicable please clearly state the section / heading or paragraph number).

Chapter 9: Site allocations, Housing Allocations, Policy R19: Land at Priests Lane

Question 3: Do you consider the Local Plan is:

Sound?

YES

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NO

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Legally Compliant?

YES

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NO

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Compliant with the Duty to Cooperate?

YES

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NO

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Question 4: If you consider the Local Plan unsound, please indicate your reasons below (please tick all that apply):

The Local Plan has not been positively prepared

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The Local Plan is not justified

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The Local Plan is not effective

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The Local Plan is not consistent with national planning policy

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Question 5: Please provide details of either:

- Why you consider the Plan to be sound, legally compliant, or adheres to the Duty to Cooperate; or
- Why you consider that the Local Plan is unsound, is not legally compliant, or fails to comply with the Duty to Cooperate

Evidence base flawed.

- > Transport Assessment did not include traffic along Priests Lane, despite assurances from the Council that a traffic assessment would be done. Done at a time which did not include greatest flow of school traffic.

- > There will be an increase in traffic from the proposed development of 1,000 houses in Shenfield travelling to the A127 and this has not been taken into account. The impact of Crossrail also not taken into account.

- > Proposed new road accesses from Priests Lane inappropriate and hazardous, as Priests Lane narrow and not designed for an increase in traffic. Already severely congested at peak times and potentially dangerous.

- > The site does not meet relevant sustainability conditions: access, transport network, mitigation of impact on local services, increased pollution and resulting effect on health.

- > Junction of Middleton Hall Lane and Priests Lane already a pollution hotspot; no account has been made of this.

- > Priests Lane was never intended to be a main distributary artery, which it has now become. Residents have pointed out that as such it does not comply with the Essex design guide with respect to road and pavement width.

Local Plans should address not only housing but also traffic concerns, healthcare and education needs to be NPPF Compliant.

- > The Sustainability review refers to traffic as a concern, but no mitigation options have been identified.

- > there is a lack of provision for developing the required infrastructure for health and education needs as a result of the proposed developments. This will lead to even greater traffic congestion and pollution.

Question 6: Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan sound or legally compliant, having regard to the matters that you identified above.

You will need to say why this modification will make the Local Plan sound or legally compliant. Please be as accurate as possible.

The land at Priests Lane should be removed from the Local Development Plan.

Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary

Question 7: If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the Examination in Public (EiP)?

NO, I do not wish to participate in the oral part of the EiP

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YES, I wish to participate in the oral part of the EiP

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Question 8: If you wish to participate at the oral part of the Examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary.

Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

Please note that the Inspector (not the Council) will determine the most appropriate procedure to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in the oral part of the Examination.