



**BRENTWOOD  
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

# Local Plan 2015-2030

## Preferred Options

July 2013

### COMMENT FORM

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#### PERSONAL DETAILS

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#### YOUR COMMENTS

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

**Policy S3**

Please specify if you Support or Object (tick as appropriate):

Support

Object

**Comments** (please use additional sheet if required):

The objective to provide for 5,400 additional jobs is supported however it is considered that the existing wording of Policy S3 should be clarified as detailed below.

#### Policy S3 - Job Growth and Employment Land

Policy S3 of the Draft Local Plan sets out the Council's proposed approach to overall job growth and employment land. The policy states that "provision is made for 5,400 additional jobs to be provided in the Borough between March 2015 and March 2030 at an annual average rate of 285". The figure of 5,400 jobs appears to be the Heart of Essex Economic Futures study Sector Derived Scenario which describes a growth of employment in Brentwood of 5,400 jobs between 2012 and 2031 at an annual average of 285 per year. This includes growth from all sectors and is based on a 19 year period. If applied to a 15 year plan period a requirement for 5,400 jobs would result in a higher annual average rate of 360 jobs per year. As detailed in the Heart of Essex Economic Futures study these additional jobs include growth across all

sectors including non B-use class sectors such as retail

We consider that Policy S3 should be amended to reflect the correct annual average rate for jobs provision and to acknowledge that these additional 5,400 jobs will be provided across all sectors.

Suggested amendments

- Update Policy S3 to reflect the fact that 5,400 jobs over a 15 year plan period will require a higher annual average rate of 360 jobs per annum.
- Update the wording of Policy S3 to indicate that allocated employment land is anticipated to make a significant contribution towards providing for the 5,400 new jobs but do not assign the 5,400 jobs entirely to B-use class developments.

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

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**All responses should be received by Wednesday 2nd October 2013**