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Brentwood Borough Local Plan

Strategic Growth Options Consultation

January 2015

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.

? Q1: Do you agree with the broad areas, for the purpose of considering approaches to growth? Yes No

Comments

The only proposed area that can realistically take extra housing is the A127 Corridor

? Q2: Do you agree with the issues raised within each of these areas? Yes No

Comments

I do not agree that there are building opportunities in the A12 Corridor. I do agree with the unfeasibility of the North of the borough option and I do agree with the suitability of the A127 Corridor.

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

Comments

The A127 Corridor is the only viable option for the suggested building works due to the capacity and suitability of the land. The other two main sites already have sufficient housing levels.

? 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

A127 Corridor

? Q5: Should the A12 corridor accommodate growth by releasing sites on the edge of urban areas? Yes No

Comments

The A12 corridor cannot reasonably accommodate any additional buildings.

? 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)? Yes No

Comments

Brentwood needs to ~~maintain~~ ^{retain} these sites to ensure a reasonable balance between commercial and residential needs and the undisputed benefits that open spaces offer to residents and visitors.

? 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 No

Comments

I do agree but would stress that a serious assessment is carried out on the inevitable increase in road traffic that will occur from an increase in commercial properties in the borough.

? 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 No

Comments

Something needs to be done about rates and rents to encourage small businesses. A number of small businesses have moved out of the borough. Planning permission for pubs and restaurants has not helped.

? Q9: Are there opportunities for more open space provision in the area where you live? Yes No

Comments

With the exception of the Ursuline school, Queens Road is full of residential properties. There is nowhere for open space provision. This is a shame as it would undoubtedly improve Queens Road.

? Q10: Please rate the level to which you value the landscape near where you live (on a scale of 1 to 5), as compared to other areas within Brentwood Borough, for the following aspects:

Aspect:	Very Low	Low	Average	High	Very High
Scenic Beauty / Attractiveness	1	2	3	4	5
Outdoor Recreation / Leisure Use	1	2	3	4	5
Wildlife Interest	1	2	3	4	5
Historic Interest	1	2	3	4	5
Tranquility	1	2	3	4	5
Other – please specify: <i>Litter</i>	1	2	3	4	5

? 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	2	3	4
Commercial / Industrial buildings	1	2	3	4
Nature Reserves / Wildlife	1	2	3	4
Farmland	1	2	3	4
Woodland	1	2	3	4
Degraded / Derelict / Waste land	1	2	3	4
Infrastructure (Road / Rail / Pylons etc.)	1	2	3	4
Leisure / Recreation Facilities	1	2	3	4
Other – please specify: <i>Green space!</i>	1	2	3	4

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

Comments

If you intend to increase the number of businesses in our Borough it will be necessary to take into account the increase that will occur in road traffic commuting into the area.

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

Comments

- 1- Road maintenance
- 2- Health service providers such as Dentists, Doctors and the Community Hospital
- 3- Schools.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire

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