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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

NO.

Brentwood Council is planning for a need exacerbated by recent and current Governments failure to control human numbers. This failure impacts on every part of our life. If Brentwood council have a true localised agenda then surely they would be doing as every survey and consultation in the past has indicated. Clearly the wishes of the population they serve. This is resisting further developments, other than on redundant sites within the town centre. This drive for growth initiated by Government is not sustainable if we want to keep the current shape and beauty of our environment. This growth planned, will change the environment we enjoy and love to such an extent that it would be irreversible.

The purpose of the Town and country planning act back in 1947, which was amended in the early 1970's to devolve strategic planning to Boroughs, like this plan, was introduced to prevent this.

The objectively assessed needs are high because we are part of an overspill from London where already housing prices are too high for normal people to rent or buy.

We live in a country where already we could only supply about 40% of the food we need, to further wholesale reduce this by development is madness.



Q2: Do you agree with the issues raised within each of these areas?

Yes No

Comments

I do not believe that expansion of the villages surrounding Brentwood is of any value, this will destroy the open character of this environment and each village will become part of a suburb. Brentwood has retained its identity by being surrounded by this green space and its value should not be underestimated in the wellbeing of its inhabitants.

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

Comments Specifically sites 043,080,174,188,209.

These sites are not within the curtilage of the village of Doddinghurst, but on the very edge of its boundary. The nature of the environment in which they / I currently reside is rural. Any one of these would effectively urbanise a rural environment, to the detriment of all those inhabitants.

? 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
None of them.

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

Comments
Yes for Industrial use.

? 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

Niether, any development of local need perceived by my parish council has been rejected, (apparently they don't like social housing). As all of the sites are speculative they will be developed to maximise return. Experience of forty years as surveyor has taught me that if you want to serve local need then you must build it, (council houses).

? 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

? 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

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

Comments

No I live in a rural area.

? 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 / Attractivness					(5)
Outdoor Recreation / Leisure Use				(4)	
Wildlife Interest					(5)
Historic Interest					(5)
Tranquility					(5)
Other - please specify:					

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

Wildlife, but not as many reserves!

could watch the Barrabets any more new houses in place!

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

Comments

Transport, buses are a life line to many older and residents in our village and surrounding areas. Growth must be supported by better transport. It is pointless providing low cost housing for within the villages surrounding Brentwood without this.

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

Comments

Car Parking: I can park free in many other Essex towns at week ends to shop ; many people face crippling expense if using trains to commute the charges are far too high.
More Buses.