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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](mailto: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](http://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 ✓

**Comments**



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

Yes ✓

**Comments**



Q3: Do you have any comments on the appropriateness of particular sites? Yes ✓

**Comments**

The existing transport links along the A12 corridor is well suited to development and growth. Any development in the North of the Borough would require significant and expensive improvements to the current infrastructure



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**

The Dunton Garden Suburb option appears ideal making use of the existing highways and infrastructure links rather than costly smaller developments and

incursions into Green Belt



Q5: Should the A12 corridor accommodate growth by releasing sites on the edge of urban areas?

Yes ✓

**Comments**

Previous development of brownfield sites have worked well showing that there are existing sites ripe for redevelopment of existing urban areas.



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**

The erosion of the quality of life and impact on the environment should be a paramount concern both of which will be affected detrimentally by the significant changes to the current infrastructure of Green Belt villages. Some brownfield sites within Green Belt might be considered for limited development



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 ✓

**Comments**

New sites should be closer to existing transport links to enable employment opportunities to be accessed more readily and to open up to a wider market of potential training and employment



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 ✓

**Comments**

A wider range of retail outlets within the town should be supported and encouraged



Q9: Are there opportunities for more open space provision in the area where you live?

No ✓

**Comments**

We need to actively retain the open space provision around the villages surrounding Brentwood which would be under threat from the proposals for the North of Brentwood.



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					5
Outdoor Recreation / Leisure Use				4	
Wildlife Interest					5
Historic Interest				4	
Tranquility				4	
Other – please specify: .....	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			3	
Commercial / Industrial buildings		2		
Nature Reserves / Wildlife			3	
Farmland				4
Woodland			3	
Degraded / Derelict / Waste land	1			

Infrastructure (Road / Rail / Pylons etc.)		2		
Leisure / Recreation Facilities			3	
Other – please specify: .....				

**?** Q12: Have we considered the main infrastructure issues? Are there other important issues to consider? Yes ✓

**Comments**  
 There are not the facilities to support further development – no library, the primary school is overcrowded, doctors surgery 2 miles away which is extremely busy, no cycleways, no footpaths linking to other villages.

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

**Comments**  
 The best use of resources would be to access Cross Rail development of the rail network by developing close to the rail network. To use existing A road by developing closer to the A12/A127 highways.

**Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire**

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(see page 1 for details)