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**BRENTWOOD
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

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

I agree with the three broad areas which have been identified for the purposes of considering approaches to growth. I am primarily concerned with Area (B): the A12 corridor.



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

Yes ☒ No ☐

Comments

I agree that development opportunities within the Green Belt will need to be considered per paragraph 3.2 in order to meet the objectively assessed housing need.



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

Comments

I disagree that Figure 8 and Appendix 1 show the complete selection of sites that have been put forward for consideration as housing sites in previous stages of the plan making process. They omit the site which I identified as joint freeholder in Mounthessing (title numbers EX935624 and EX159658) in my response to the 2013 preferred Options Consultation dated 30th September 2013. I attach a copy of my previous submissions together with a copy of the council's acknowledgement and a plan of the approximate location shown for illustrative purposes. Given the results of the council's objectively assessed housing need it is more important that this site is now included within the sites under consideration by the council in the local plan process for the reasons stated in my previous submissions (see paragraph 3.13(b) of the Strategic Growth Options Consultation document).

? 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?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Comments

No comment

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

Comments

I consider that suitable sites in the A12 corridor which are on the edge of urban areas should be considered for release.

? 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

Greenfield sites on the edge of villages will need to be considered for development since it is unlikely that brownfield sites in the Green Belt can accommodate the extra 3,000 homes identified as the objectively assessed housing need (see paragraph 5.3).

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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

No comment

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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

No comment

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

Yes ☐ No ☐

Comments

No comment

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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:	1	2	3	4	5
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? 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:	1	2	3	4

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

Comments

No comment

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

Comments

No comment

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire

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