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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



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

Yes ☐ No ☐

Comments



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

Comments

I do not support the housing development proposal for Plot 143 (Land East of Peartree Lane and North of Peartree Close). This would remove access to green belt land, and the addition of 50 houses in a quiet rural residential street would unreasonably increase road traffic and noise/light pollution in the surrounding area. I also feel that the report developed to promote development on the plot is misleading, prejudiced and unrepresentative of the opinion of existing residents.



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



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

Yes ☐ No ☒

Comments

Like many residents, we chose to live in a rural location due to Green Belt access and the village community and character. Releasing sites on the edge of urban areas will degrade these, and result in the surrounding villages being overtaken by a larger urban structure.



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

Development of existing brownfield sites is preferable, although any development within the Green Belt (greenfield or brownfield) should be minimised to reduce the impact to rural communities.



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

Better use should be made of the existing rail network to reduce load on the highway network which is already overloaded north and south of Brentwood.



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

We feel that the current open space provision in and around the village is suitable for the size of the existing community.



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					X
Outdoor Recreation / Leisure Use					X
Wildlife Interest				X	
Historic Interest			X		
Tranquility					X
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			X	
Commercial / Industrial buildings		X		
Nature Reserves / Wildlife			X	
Farmland				X
Woodland			X	
Degraded / Derelict / Waste land	X			
Infrastructure (Road / Rail / Pylons etc.)		X		
Leisure / Recreation Facilities		X		
Other – please specify:				



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

Yes ☐ No ☐

Comments



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

Comments

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire

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