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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:

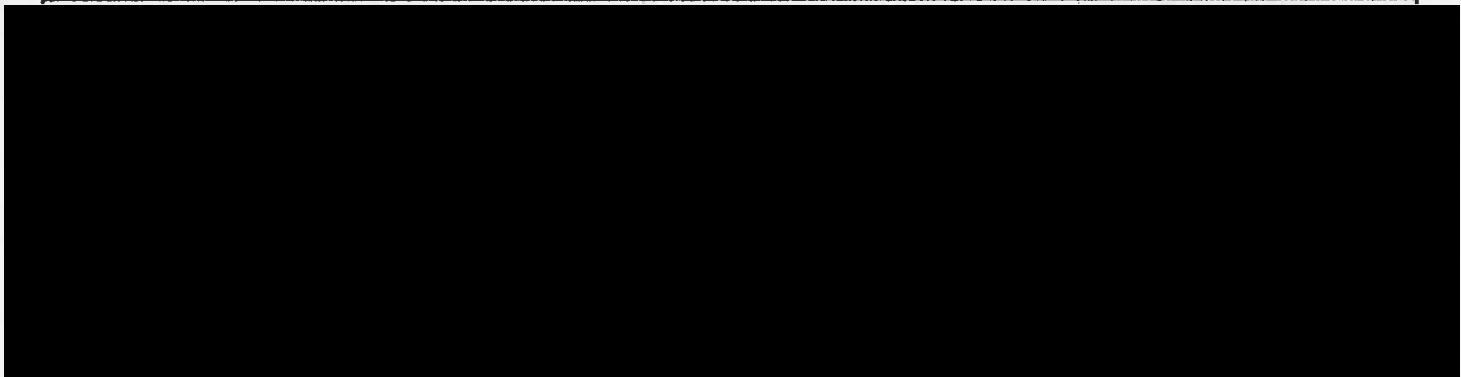
Planning Policy Team, Brentwood Borough Council Town Hall, Brentwood, Essex, CM15 8AY
or by email to planning.policy@brentwood.gov.uk

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.

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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.

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Q1: Do you agree with the broad areas, for the purpose of considering approaches to growth?

Yes No

Comments

WHY IS GROWTH SO IMPORTANT?
I do not consider growth to be a necessity to the happiness of Brentwood residents. In fact quite the opposite.

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

Yes No

Comments

N/A

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

Comments

Collins Farm, Goodwood Avenue abutting Hutton Country Park is precious Green Belt Land and whilst the owner rents this land for a hay crop it is suitable arable land. Why is it now considered to be "Greenfield"? * (see attached)

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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

Unfortunately NIMBY now raised its ugly head, and I would say the Dunton plan would mainly fulfil the expected quota but my sympathies are with the residents of West Horndon

* To Q3:-

The envisaged expansion of Hutton to the borders of Billericay and to Ingrave and Herongate, I am very much against.

If this goes ahead it will not take long before Hutton joins Billericay and, no doubt, Basildon Council will be forced to expand the environs of Billericay also.

I believe this dividing Green Belt is sacrosanct.

This whole expansion would cause a huge burden on the already overcrowded road network (A.128/129) and to the general infrastructure.

The first of these is the...
 second is the...
 third is the...
 fourth is the...
 fifth is the...
 sixth is the...
 seventh is the...
 eighth is the...
 ninth is the...
 tenth is the...

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

Yes No

Comments

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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

See Appendix 1.

"It is not OK to build on local Green Belt land"

I totally agree with this letter

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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

To bring more traffic to the existing highway network would cause more chaos. Any new sites should be close to the railway network. (Ingatestone must be underused.)
Station

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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

Priority should be given to retail outlets of a varied nature and just not boutiques and eateries. A department store would be appreciated.



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

Yes No

Comments

Collins Farm would be a delightful extension to Hutton Country Park.



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

See Appendix 2



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

I am wondering why the Government should be pushing for expansion when the existing road network is overloaded.



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

Comments

When every pothole is filled.
When every road & pavement is resurfaced.
When every street light is functioning
then we can think about improving the A.127 and A.12.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire

Please ensure that you return comments to the Council by 5pm on Tuesday 17 February 2015
(see page 1 for details)

Q17 Have we considered the most important issues? Are there other important issues to consider?

Comments
I am concerned with the process of...
I would like to see...
I am not sure about...
I would like to see...
I am not sure about...

Q18 What do you think the priorities for education should be?

Comments
I think we should focus on...
I think we should focus on...
I think we should focus on...
I think we should focus on...
I think we should focus on...

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Please email any feedback and comments to the Council by email on Tuesday 17 February 2015.
Tel: 01223 353811

BRENTWOOD
GAZETTE
11-2-15

We will live in urban sprawl

THERE is an implication that building on green belt adjacent to a village to make it larger is OK.

It may be, for obvious reasons, OK for local farmers, but since the death rate and birth rate in Brentwood is broadly the same, why do we need huge numbers of new houses?

Answer - to cater for the migration from London, for whose benefit?

To build on local farmland is to open the door.

The more houses we build the greater the influx, the greater

the influx the greater the housing demand.

Our local services will collapse under the strain.

My village will not be a village, Kelvedon Hatch, Doddinghurst, Pilgrims Hatch is in danger of becoming one huge urban sprawl.

It is not OK to build on local green belt, even so-called low grade green belt.

Name and address supplied



Collins Farm from my garden fence
APPENDIX 2.