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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](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.

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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](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  No

**Comments**

The 3 different areas make sense

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

Yes  No

**Comments**

Why does the A127 corridor have more potential than A12? The A127 is already at capacity in rush hour. We value our open space because we are nearer. The outer London boroughs and greenbelt is very important to us.

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

**Comments** The brownfield site at West Horndon (The Industrial Estate) (A20-A21) which has a proposal for 500 would practically double the size of our village and this without any greenbelt development would alter the character of West Horndon. Flood risk must be taken seriously.

? 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** I do not agree with the statement the A127 has a greater capacity than A12. Therefore feel that the only development around West Horndon should be the Industrial estate (A20-21). Surely great development could occur in connection with new Crossrail line.

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

**Comments**

A12 Corridor has the ability to meet a significant portion of Borough's increased housing need. As does Crossrail corridor.

? 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**

Brownfield sites should always be first choice for building needs. Greenbelt land particularly south of The Borough where we are enclosed between Upminster and Basildon is greatly valued both for open space and flood relief.

? 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**

It has been suggested that the present industrial site in West Hamdon be relocated to the junction of A127 and A125. This seems an excellent idea provided that transport links be established from West Hamdon Station, for workforce who ~~generally~~ <sup>come by train</sup>

? 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**

But we do need better transports into the town ~~city~~ centre particularly later in evening. It isn't any good having late opening in Brentwood if we can't get back

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

Yes  No

**Comments**

It would be good to have a sports centre on the land adjacent to the industrial estate.

? 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:<br>..... | 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                                     | 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:<br>.....           | 1      | 2          | 3        | 4           |

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

**Comments**

Education - West Horndon School is a Village School - New schools ~~at~~ would be needed to cope with any significant growth. The same would apply to health care difficult to get doctors appointment at present.

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

**Comments**

Infrastructure needs to be in place prior to any development.

**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)

