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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.

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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**

However, we cannot understand why so much development has been mooted in the villages around the Borough. The resources in these semi rural areas like: school places, access to doctors surgery appointments and poor local public transport etc. do not seem to have been included in your draft. Will the Council be increasing spending on village infrastructure to take into account this massive influx of people into a small community?



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**

Regarding site 143 Lime Grove/Pear tree Lane/Pear tree Close. There has been a draft application (?) entitled "Objection to Policy S2" circulated to local residents, some of this document is misleading, this plot is painted as a brownfield site with "run down, unused piggeries" – there have been sheep and goats in these buildings/fields for numerous years.

This is currently Green Belt land. The building of the proposed 50 new houses would be totally out of scale with all other developments in Doddinghurst and would dramatically change the environment for the current residents in this area of the village.

Lime Grove is at present a small, no-through road which is only 4.8m wide, serving 100 homes. There is extensive on-street parking of residents vehicles which has increased markedly in the 20 years we have lived here. On road parking is heavy during "out of office" hours and especially weekends,. The road is very congested with parked cars and access down the road for any delivery vans/lorries or emergency vehicles is very restricted. The waste collection lorry on

**Wednesdays has to regularly drive up the kerbs onto the pavement to pass parked cars (damaging the verges and kerbs in the process), any additional traffic from the proposed development would only exacerbate this problem. The other access to the proposed site, Peartree Lane is little different.**

**Also site access for heavy vehicles during any construction phase would be dangerous to the residents of Lime Grove and Peartree Lane and access would be virtually impossible.**

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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**

**Dunton Garden Suburb**

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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**

**Brownfield sites should always be considered in advance of breaking ground on any Greenfield site. There are numerous brownfield sites, especially old trading/industrial estates, around our borough that could be recycled into housing areas.**

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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**

And also close to the rail and bus network, shouldn't the council be encouraging public transport use rather than more cars on the already congested highway network?

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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**

Yes however "superstores" should be sited away from the town centres to preserve the smaller traders.

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

Yes  No **Comments**

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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 / Attractivness	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: <i>Community Life</i>	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

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

Comments

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

Comments

**Brentwood Town centre redevelopment – Hunters Way, cinema/entertainment complex, additional car parking**



**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)**