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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.

## 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](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**

I think it would have been more appropriate for the bottom half of the broad area (B) A12 corridor which includes the are around Herongate and Ingrave to have been split from the urban areas of Brentwood Shenfield Hutton etc.



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

Yes  No

**Comments**

I think there would be issues with transport connections ,local facilities and congestion in area B as well as areas A and C and this needs to be considered very carefully.



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

**Comments**

As I am a resident in Ingrave I am particularly concerned with site references 028A,B and C, 192 , 67A and B, 183, 192. This area of land provides a very important area of countryside in the borough a large part of which currently falls within a special landscape area under the current local plan and would mean the sheer loss of openness and have archeological implications in such a sensitive area. This area includes farmland, woodland, footways, bridleways all of which are utilised by the local community and would have a seriously detrimental effect on the area in terms of loss of a sensitive wedge of open countryside. There would not be the infrastructure in terms of transport connections local facilities to cope with development.



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**

Probably a combination of the A127 corridor and the areas of land immediately adjoining the A12 but utilising all brownfield sites first.



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

Yes  No

**Comments**

I am concerned about releasing sites on the edge of urban areas particularly where this could destroy the character of villages we have in the area as well as the loss of open countryside currently forming part of the Greenbelt which is one of the greatest assets in Borough.



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**

It is imperative that brownfield sites must be developed first before any greenfield sites again so as to protect our precious countryside as much as possible.



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**

Yes important to be close to the highway network but also to be close to

local facilities as well.

? 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**

Everything should be done to protect the Town Centre it has suffered considerably during the recession and still needs to recover completely from this so every effort should be made to ensure that it does as a centre remain economically sustainable.

? Q9: Are there opportunities for more open space provision in the area where you live? Yes  No

**Comments**

It is essential to preserve the open area where I live as I have stated above.

? 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

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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**

All of the headings listed need to be prioritised.

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**Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire**

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