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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

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Q2: Do you agree with the issues raised within each of these ^{three?} areas?

Yes No

Comments

The North area of the Borough does not have adequate transport connections or other essential facilities to make the development of more than a very few new homes a feasible proposition.

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

Comments

See answer to Q 2 above.
(N.B. Was unable to access details of planning applications for ^{various} particular sites listed in the Consultation Document online. Reference numbers, keywords or roads gave "No results found".)

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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

Because of the existing transport connections (A127); nature of terrain; and capacity for growth - from the information provided - Durton Garden Suburb would appear to be the most suitable site.

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

Yes No

Comments

Again, because of transport connections, this would appear to make more sense than releasing sites on the edge of villages in more rural areas.

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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

PREFERABLE TO DEVELOP BROWNFIELD RATHER THAN GREENFIELD SITES BUT ANY DEVELOPMENT OF GREEN BELT SHOULD BE MINIMISED

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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

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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

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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 / 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
Tranquillity	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

? 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

1. With a consultation of this importance, it would have been better for Brentwood Council to have notified all residents direct, and with sufficient advance notice. Seemingly, many people across the Borough have only become aware of it because their individual Parish Councils have notified them in the last 10 days or so.
2. Access to the relevant documents for those without internet facilities should be made easier - this form should only be filled in with reference to the complete consultation document which many will not have seen. Even using online sources, it was far from straightforward to locate the appropriate / latest documents or to complete the form.

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)

