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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.

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

Yes No

Comments

The three areas have different requirements, so it seems logical to split them.

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

Yes No

Comments

The A127 corridor is already at or over capacity in rush hours. If there is more building in this area, where will all the traffic go?

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

Comments

Change of use of the industrial site to housing is logical as it is a brown field site. However West Hamdon villagers value their way of life and do not want to see a too great enlargement of the village.

? 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 A12 Corridor.

The A127 would need an extra lane to cater for additional traffic as a result of more housing. There may be room for more building but there is a big penalty in infrastructure.

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

Comments

There is more capacity in this area without too much penalty in future traffic requirements.

? 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

The green belt has been carefully protected in the past. Brownfield sites should be used where available.

? 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

Employment opportunities are necessary but they must be accessible by road or public transport.

? 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

Brentwood Council should reduce business rates and parking charges to encourage more people to shop in Brentwood instead of 'out of town supermarkets'.

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

Yes No

Comments

West Hornston would benefit greatly from the provision of a footbridge over the A127 to enable the easier use of Moorland Park.

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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
Tranquility	1	2	3	4 ✓	5
Other – please specify: <i>Community Spirit.....</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: <i>Village Hall Activities...</i>	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

Traffic volumes on all local roads needs careful consideration. Also parking requirements for rail users.

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

Comments

All items of infrastructure related to the amount of building in particular areas.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire

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(see page 1 for details)

