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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.

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

Yes  
x

**Comments**

It is a good idea to split the borough into three areas

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

No x

**Comments**

I believe that no thought has gone into the amount of traffic that the A127 has during rush hour there is not a day that goes by without traffic queuing London bound in the mornings and Southend bound in the evenings, building more properties will only increase traffic, widening of the road does not seem a possibility, also flood risk has not been taken into account

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Q3: Do you have any comments on the appropriateness of particular sites?

Yes  
x

**Comments**

Sites 037a,b,c 038a,b and 126 are all green belt sites which surround our village by developing on this area will take away the village element, the village as a whole could not take on the extra burden and would put an extra strain on the local residents and infrastructure, and cause considerable harm to the local environment, harm that would be outweighed for the need of housing within the borough.

I would also like to see a sufficient land is maintained between the garden suburb and land surrounding West Horndon

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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 site 200 should be given preferred preference as this will have the least impact on West Horndon it would give Brentwood Council the housing that they are required to provide, in turn this will make its own housing community, the consultation document fails to identify the flood risk issues, will need to know where it exists and how it will be managed**

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

Yes

**Comments A12 corridor would be able to accommodate the large building plan more so than the A127 due to previous traffic problems**

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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 greenbelt should only be considered after all brownfield have been exhausted**

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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

**Comments using the Industrial area in West Horndon for housing will not bring more employment to the village it will take it away. Where industrial sites are located you need to have public transport i.e**

**trains and buses none of these area available on the proposed site on the A127, not all people drive so therefore you would be discriminating against those who do not drive**

? 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  
x

**Comments Town Centre retail development must also include public transport to all areas especially the rural ones, car parking facilities and most importantly improvements to the road network to ease congestion**

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

**Comments West Horndon village currently has a small community park on Cadogan Avenue, and would like to think that the village would benefit from opportunities to enhance this park**

? 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					5
Outdoor Recreation / Leisure Use					5
Wildlife Interest					5
Historic Interest				4	
Tranquility					5

Other – please specify:							
Small community.....							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				4
Commercial / Industrial buildings			3	
Nature Reserves / Wildlife				4
Farmland				4
Woodland				4
Degraded / Derelict / Waste land		2		
Infrastructure (Road / Rail / Pylons etc.)			3	
Leisure / Recreation Facilities		2		
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 development must not increase the challenges**

To the borough infrastructure,  
All of the road perspective's need to be taken into account, A127, A12 are joined by the A128 nothing has been mentioned about this road, this road is the link to Brentwood and the main secondary schools what is going to be done about this. The bigger picture does need to be taken into account and not just about building homes to alleviate pressure from governments

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

**Comments given the scale of the development within the A127**

**corridor, the infrastructure will require spending across all categories (education, healthcare, transport green space, community fac etc.) failing to take this into account will have a negative impact on both existing residents and new**

**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  
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