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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

Comment

There are many things to be considered for Dunton I feel development would be a good thing, it would improve an otherwise run down area , bringing connections to Brentwood ,Basildon and London through road and possibly rail if there was a station built on the line it would be an easy commute to London opening up job prospects to residents in both Dunton and Horndon.



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

Yes
x

No

Comments

Not all most in need of development and most viable appears to be Dunton.



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

Yes
x

No

Comments

Blackmore where I live I would not like to see development as has recently been proposed , it would be disproportionate to the area changing the character of an established village, overwhelming roads, schools local residents.

Creating a huge volume of traffic, there are also few employment opportunities in this rural location people would have to commute placing a strain on the already poor roads,

We also do not have a rail connection or the possibility of one, nearest stations 4/5/6 miles away .

The pressure of 140 more housing built as infill would simply be too much for the area.

? 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

Certainly a lot more scope for growth and connectivity in Dunton area, so yes do agree | Dunton is the best place to develop.

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

Comments

The A12 corridor I am not so sure would that put too much pressure on existing services? Is there really any point in developing an already established area?

? 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)? Yes No x

Comments

I would not consider green belt housing development to be beneficial to villages they may be attached to. Brown field sites are far better to develop and could possibly be seen as an improvement.

? 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 you have to have good infrastructure , connections could easily be built at Dunton.

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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
x

No

Comments

Largely true but a new housing development would also need a core of shopping to service the local community, Bread, milk, petrol ect.

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

Yes x

No

Comments

I am sure Blackmore has capacity for recreational facilities , but be are fairly well served buy local walks playing fields ect.

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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	5x
Outdoor Recreation / Leisure Use	1	2	3	4	5x
Wildlife Interest	1	2	3	4	5x
Historic Interest	1	2	3	4	5x
Tranquility	1	2	3	4	5x
Other – please specify:					
.....lovely to live here very friendly but self contained.	1	2	3	4	5x



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	3x	4
Commercial / Industrial buildings	1x	2	3	4
Nature Reserves / Wildlife	1	2	3	4x
Farmland	1	2	3	4x
Woodland	1	2	3	4x
Degraded / Derelict / Waste land	1x	2	3	4
Infrastructure (Road / Rail / Pylons etc.)	1	2x	3	4
Leisure / Recreation Facilities	1	2	3	4x
Other – please specify: Great historical interest	1	2	3	4x



Q12: Have we considered the main infrastructure issues? Are there other important issues to consider?

Yes No

Comments

We just don't want Blackmore to be further developed either now or in the future, there are more suitable places to be developed that would not damage the environment.



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

Comments

Roads to connect development and rail access in the case of Dunton.

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