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Winchester District Local Plan

LOCAL PLAN UPDATE

Strategic Issues and Priorities Consultation





NEW LOCAL PLAN WEBSITE GOES LIVE: 15 FEBRUARY 2021

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NEW LOCAL PLAN WEBSITE - OVERVIEW

WHAT IS THE PROCESS?

1. CREATING A STRATEGIC ISSUES AND PRIORITIES DOCUMENT

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THE 9 KEY AREAS OF FOCUS

1. CARBON NEUTRALITY

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2. BIODIVERSITY AND THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

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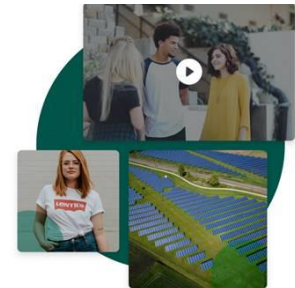
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3. CONSERVING AND ENHANCING THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT

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MAPPING FEATURE ON THE NEW WEBSITE

- What does the plan mean for me?
- Enables users to discover what is proposed in their local area.
- Interactive map

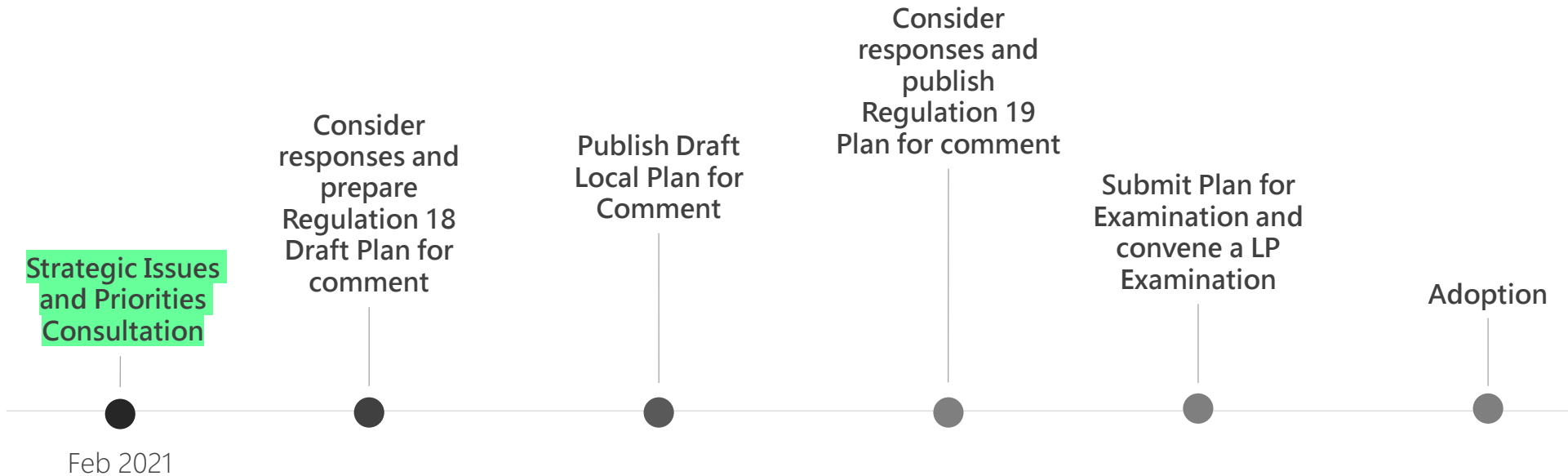


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THE LOCAL PLAN PROCESS



STRATEGIC ISSUES AND PRIORITIES CONSULTATION

15 FEBRUARY 2021 - 12 APRIL 2021

The Vision for the district up to 2038

- Similar to existing Core Strategy vision?
- Incorporate elements of Town Forum's 2030 Vision for Winchester?

Objectives:

- Overarching Carbon Neutrality objective
- Sustainable Development Objectives (Environmental/ Economic/ Social Infrastructure)

Winchester City Council

Local Plan

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THE 9 KEY ISSUES

- Carbon Neutrality
- Biodiversity and the Natural Environment
- Conserving and Enhancing the Historic Environment
- Homes for All
- Vibrant Economy
- Promoting Sustainable Transport
- Living Well
- Low Carbon Infrastructure
- Ensuring Delivery and Success of the Local Plan

CARBON NEUTRALITY

- The government has committed the UK to net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.
- The city council has declared a climate emergency (June 2019) with the aim for a carbon neutral council by 2024 and the wider district by 2030.
- The Local Plan is only one of the tools that will support a reduction in carbon emission across the district.
- We are proposing a strategic policy on climate change and a number of 'local policies' which would assist the Council with moving towards carbon neutrality.

BIODIVERSITY AND THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

We are asking for views on:

- Biodiversity net gain and whether off site offsetting/ financial contributions should be allowed
- Allocation of land for open space or biodiversity net gain, to provide opportunities for off-site mitigation of the effects of new development
- Approaches to countryside protection and whether or not a new Green Belt is needed or justified in the district

CONSERVING AND ENHANCING THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT

We are seeking views on:

- Whether existing heritage policies are adequate
- How the Local Plan should support energy efficiency improvements in Listed Buildings whilst preventing harm to heritage features

HOMES FOR ALL

Four alternative high level strategic options for accommodating housing need are being consulted on:

- The current approach of distributing development to a sustainable hierarchy of settlements
- Focusing on Winchester itself and other larger/ more sustainable settlements
- One or more completely new strategic allocations or new settlements
- Dispersing development around the district largely in proportion to the size of existing settlements

VIBRANT ECONOMY

Changes to work patterns and possible reduction in footfall in town centres may adversely influence vitality and economic viability.

We are seeking your views on:

- The types of economic development should we consider
- The future role of town centres and the uses within them
- Rural employment opportunities
- How the Local Plan can support working from home
- How the Local Plan can support the development of a green economy and carbon neutrality

PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

We are asking for views on:

- Whether the existing policies are ambitious enough
- Whether development should be concentrated in locations which already have cycling, walking and public transport opportunities
- Whether or not additional Park & Ride facilities are needed

LIVING WELL

The places we build today will influence the health and wellbeing of our residents in the future.

We are asking views on:

- Access to open space in the district, in order to protect health and wellbeing and reduce inequality
- How to creating strong communities and neighbourhoods which support health and wellbeing of our residents into the future
- The 15-minute neighbourhood concept and how it might develop

LOW CARBON INFRASTRUCTURE AND PLAN VIABILITY

We are seeking views on a number of possible strategies/approaches towards low carbon infrastructure in the district, such as:

- Supporting proposals for renewable energy and low carbon energy infrastructure
- Supporting proposals for domestic battery storage facilities to be built in tandem with low carbon energy infrastructure

We are also undertaking a “Call for renewable energy sites” in order to boost rates of renewable energy generation rates in the district.

ENABLING DELIVERY AND SUCCESS OF THE LOCAL PLAN

Monitoring is important to ensure local plan policies are efficient and effective.

We are asking for any suggestions of good examples of:

- Successful monitoring frameworks
- Monitoring indicators to track progress towards the net zero by 2030 target



CALL FOR SITES

- Housing – including small sites, gypsy and travellers' sites and custom/self build sites
- Brownfield sites
- Employment sites
- Renewable Energy Generation sites
- Biodiversity offsetting
- Carbon offsetting
- Nutrient offsetting
- Green infrastructure

HOW TO RESPOND TO THE STRATEGIC ISSUES AND PRIORITIES CONSULTATION

Our new Local Plan website will go live on
Monday 15 February 2021

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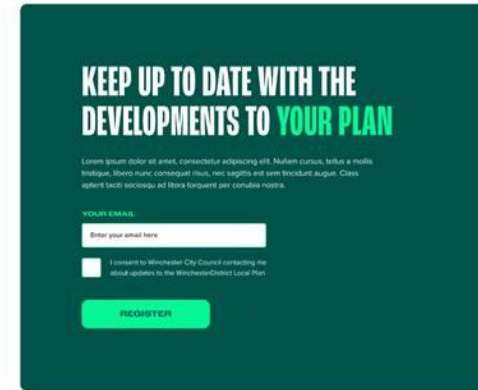
Further virtual information sessions to be held in
February and March

Paper copies will available on request



'HAVE YOUR SAY' SECTION OF THE WEBSITE

- Register to receive email updates
- Link to Citizen Space where the consultation questionnaire is hosted
- Short polls



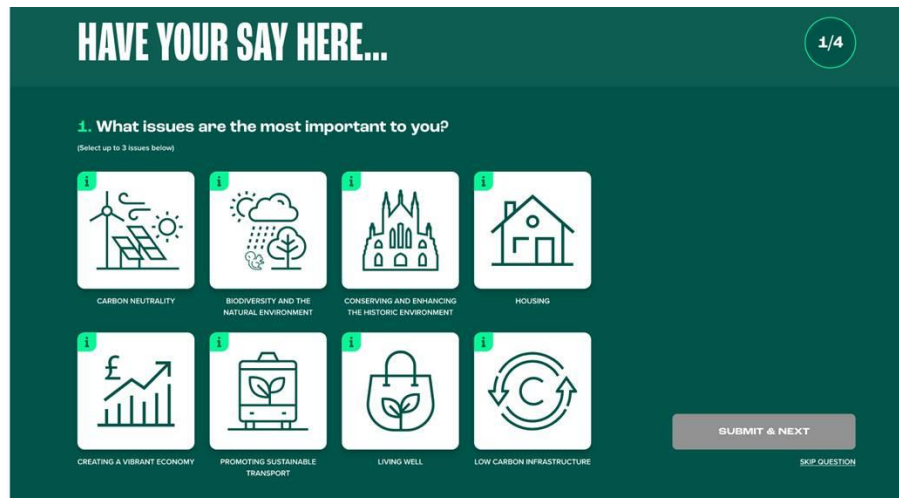
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ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY

**WE NEED YOUR HELP
TO RAISE AWARENESS
ABOUT THIS
CONSULTATION**

- Social media
- Radio Advertisements
- Posters around the district
- Newspaper advertisements
- Bus Stop advertising
- Invitations to attend a range of virtual events
- Publicised on the council's website, Parish Connect and other council platforms including Your Council emailer; About Winchester newsletter; Facebook, Twitter & Instagram

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