



Basingstoke
and Deane



Statement of Consultation for the Proposed Modifications to the Local Plan 2011-2029

February 2016

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council submitted its Local Plan for examination in October 2014. Following an exploratory meeting in December 2015, a number of initial main modifications were proposed, leading to a Mid-Examination Local Plan Consultation which took place during May and June 2015. Subsequently, the examination hearing sessions were held, during October and November 2015, closing on the 11 November.
- 1.2 Following the hearing sessions the Inspector requested that the Council undertake consultation on a schedule of proposed Main Modifications which respond to issues raised before and during the examination hearing sessions. The purpose of the consultation, which ran for seven weeks from 21 December 2015 to 8 February 2016, was to seek views on the proposed main and minor modifications to be considered in advance of the publication of the Inspectors Report.
- 1.3 The proposed main modifications are those that are considered necessary for soundness. They could, for example, change the meaning of a policy or proposal in the plan. Minor modifications do not go to the soundness of the Plan and are largely confined to typographical/grammatical amendments, factual updates, additional clarification or editorial changes that improve the Plan as a whole.
- 1.4 Whilst this was not a formal consultation stage, it was carried out in accordance with the principles of Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and the borough council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) (2007).

Who was invited to make representations

- 1.5 All 'specific consultation bodies, 'general consultation bodies' and Councillors were consulted in line with the approach taken for the Pre-submission, Revised Pre-submission and for the Mid-Examination Local Plan consultation.
- 1.6 In addition to the above, those people who previously submitted representations in response to the Regulation 18, 19 and Mid-Examination Local Plan consultations were also informed of the consultation. Those people who expressed a wish for their contact details to be placed on the council's Local Plan consultation database were also invited to make representations.

How those bodies and persons were invited to make representations

- 1.7 On 21 December 2015 all 'specific consultation bodies' were notified by letter (Appendix A) of the consultation and were sent the following documentation:

- Schedule A: Proposed Main Modifications following Local Plan Examination Hearings; and
 - A representation form;
- 1.8 'General consultation bodies' and those people on the consultation database were notified by email, or received a letter if an email address was not available on their consultee record. The email and letter contained information on how to view the details of the Proposed Main and Minor Modifications and associated documents and how to submit comments along with a representation form. A copy of the letter is contained within Appendix B. A copy of the Proposed Main Modifications to the Local Plan 2011-2029 representations form can be found in Appendix C.
- 1.9 A statutory press notice was placed in the Basingstoke Gazette on the 24 December 2015 (Appendix D). The statutory notice provided details of the representation procedure, how to access the Schedule of Main Modifications to the Local Plan 2011 – 2029 and supporting documents.
- 1.10 The consultation documents were made publicly available on the Council's website. The website stated that comments could be made using the Council's online consultation system, by email or by post as well as providing a copy of the standard response form. The following documents were also made publicly available on the website:
- An addendum to the Sustainability Appraisal incorporating a Strategic Environmental Assessment
 - Habitats Regulations Screening Assessment Addendum
 - Equalities Impact Assessment Addendum
- 1.11 The consultation was featured on the front page of the council's website, which informs all users of the website and provides a link to access the consultation.
- 1.12 Hard copies of Schedule A: Proposed Main Modifications following the Local Plan Examination Hearings and Schedule B: Proposed Minor Modifications following the Local Plan Examination Hearings, and supporting documents were available to view as reference documents at the Council Offices at London Road. Copies of the response forms were also available to take away. The consultation documents were also available for purchase.
- 1.13 Hard copies of Schedule A: Proposed Main Modifications and representation forms were also sent to Parish Councils and made available for public inspection at the libraries within the borough, listed in paragraph 2.17 of the published Statement of Consultation (CD10).

The number of representations received and summary of the main issues

1.14 In total **242** individuals, organisations and statutory consultees commented on the Proposed Modifications to the Local Plan 2011-2029. **418** representations were made in total to both the main and minor modifications, although a number of these did not relate to a proposed modification or change. **384** representations related to a main modification and these are reflected in table 1. **34** representations related to a minor modification.

Table 1: Comments on the Proposed Main Modifications to the Local Plan 2011-2029

Policy	Change Reference (PM)	Number of Comments	Sound	Object	Don't know
General		23	16	15	2
SD1	PM215 and PM219	10	4	6	
SS3	PM9a	6	5	1	
SS3.1	PM118	1	1		
SS3.2	PM34, PM119	3	1	2	
SS3.3	PM38A	2		2	
SS3.4	PM123	1		1	
SS3.7	PM54	2		2	
SS3.8	PM126	1		1	
SS3.9	PM64 and PM128	3	1	2	
SS3.10	PM69a, PM129, PM130, PM131, PM132, PM133, PM134, PM135 and PM225,	28	14	14	
SS3.11	PM11b, PM13a, PM71a and PM136	9	5	4	
SS3.12	PM15b, PM138 and PM214	5	1	4	
SS4	PM139 and PM140	11	4	7	
SS5	PM141, PM143 and PM144	209	9	198	2
SS6	PM74, PM147 and PM149	12	3	9	
SS8	PM75 and PM82a	6	2	4	
CN4	PM161	2		2	
CN5	PM94	2		2	
CN6	PM164	2	2		
CN9	PM167, PM168 and PM169	11	9	1	1
EM4	PM181	2	2		
EM7	PM96	3	3		
EM8	PM102 and PM103	12		12	1
EM9	PM104 and PM107	2	1	1	
EP1	PM194 and PM195	5	3	2	
Total			86	292	6

2. Key Issues raised in Respect of Schedule A: Proposed Main Modifications and Schedule B: Proposed Minor Modifications

2.1 The following section provides information on the key issues raised in the representations for each policy/change. The representations relating to the proposed Main Modifications to the Local Plan 2011-2029 were provided to the Planning Inspector for his information and use. Representations relating to proposed Minor Modifications were considered by the council.

Schedule A: Proposed Main Modifications

Policy SD1: Presumption in favour of sustainable development – New Policy

- Policy is in conflict with the NPPF and doesn't incorporate the principles of sustainable development.
- Policy does not provide a balanced approach as it does not account for the interests of the general public.
- Focused on presumption in favour of development but no attention to designation of AONB (character and setting) where there is no presumption in favour of development (NPPF footnote 9).

Policy SS3: Greenfield site allocations

- Delivery rates and first completion dates for the allocated sites are not justified, effective or realistic. This will lead to a shortfall in delivery across the plan period. Therefore, additional sites such as Lodge Farm and Hodds Farm should be allocated.

Site Allocations Policies

General

- All site allocation policies should include criteria requiring an Infrastructure Delivery Strategy.
- Concerned about the proposed timings for the delivery of infrastructure for the greenfield site allocations.
- Reference should be made in the site allocation policies to information in the Borough Cycling Strategy.

Policy SS3.7: Redlands

- Redlands House and land south east of the house should also be included in the allocation boundary. The inclusion of this land will enhance the allocation and has capacity for approximately 155 extra dwellings.

- The inset map for East of Basingstoke should show the pollution control limits, Biodiversity Priority Area and flood zones.

Policy SS3.8: Upper Cufaude Farm

- Additional land should not be allocated within the Upper Cufaude Farm site
- Certainty should be provided that the additional land identified on the inset map for Upper Cufaude Farm will be used for public open space.
- The site boundary for Upper Cufaude Farm should be further expanded to allow for the mitigations required on the site and to ensure the site is viable and deliverable.

Policy SS3.10: Manydown

- Development to the south of the railway line and north of Pack Line should be limited to 300 dwellings. The reference to workable transport solutions in Policy SS3.10 u) should be deleted.
- Concern that the land safeguarded for the location of a railway crossing could hold up the delivery of Manydown.
- Concern that the extent of the safeguarded land, for the 'potential' railway crossing to enable development beyond the plan period, on the SS3.10 Inset Map is excessive.
- Land to be safeguarded for a potential future crossing of the railway should not be shown on the Inset Map, instead co-ordinates should be stipulated within the policy identifying two points (e.g A and B) within which an appropriate location for the crossing will be identified.
- Reference to the western by-pass should be removed as it is not required during the plan period.
- Unclear as to how land safeguarded for a 'western bypass' is distinguished from land for a link road.
- Concern that the council has not consulted the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) in respect of the oil pipeline identified on the inset map for SS3.10 and the impact the pipeline may have on the proposed school and local centre.

Policy SS3.11: Basingstoke Golfcourse

- Make minor corrections to the alignment of the north-eastern boundary and southern boundary of the Basingstoke Golf Course site.
- Pedestrian/ cycling crossings on the A30 need to be added to the Inset Map for SS3.11 and SS3.12.

Policy SS4: Ensuring a supply of deliverable sites

- The word 'likely' should be removed from the policy. This will provide greater clarity for when a developer is required to provide additional evidence.
- Continuing concern that action will only be taken for development proposals if there is already a 'likely deterioration' in water quality in an affected area.
- Remains disappointing that action will only be taken when there is already 'likely deterioration' in water quality. Annual monitoring is not sufficient.
- Ambition should be to improve water quality.
- The policy should consider the use of planning conditions or obligations for development proposals in affected areas that have to demonstrate that they do not exacerbate deterioration in water quality, rather than resisting planning applications.
- As the NPPG advises, planning conditions or obligations may be appropriate to phase development or mitigation where water quality is a concern rather than withholding planning permission.
- Concern that delaying planning applications in affected areas could impact upon the delivery of housing in the borough.
- Second paragraph of policy EM6 should be amended to provide greater accuracy and ensure consistency with policy SS4.

Policy SS5: Neighbourhood Planning

- Approach of policy is inappropriate and risks undermining neighbourhood planning.
- Concern regarding the consistency between the wording of the policy and the supporting text – policy states “in and around each of the settlements with defined Settlement Policy Boundaries” whereas the supporting text states “within or adjacent”.
- Change of wording from 'approximately' to 'at least' is unjustified and will lead to unlimited and unsustainable development. Also concerned about the impact the proposed change in wording could have on the AONB.
- The levels of development required in the policy should be maximums.
- Particular concern with regard to additional development in Bramley that may result from the change to 'at least', and the resulting impact on the village and area (significant number of representations received on this).
- Oppose the requirement to identify sites/ opportunities to deliver at least 10 homes in and around each settlement with defined Settlement Policy Boundaries (SPBs).

- Number of houses in settlements with SPBs should be a percentage of established housing numbers factored by local employment needs and distance to employment sites.
- Settlements with defined SPBs should be listed within the plan.
- Not all of the settlements with defined SPBs should contribute to the 150 requirement in Policy SS5.
- Further clarification is required on the location in which the 150 dwellings, outside the five settlements listed in the policy, should be identified.
- Greater clarification required as to whether dwellings already approved within the plan period count towards the 10 dwelling requirement in and around each settlement with SPBs.
- Clarification is sought on the mechanisms for addressing any shortfall in the levels of housing required by policy SS5.
- Clarification is sought on how the council will deal with sites which come forward in the settlements listed in the policy which do not have a submitted neighbourhood plan.
- Concern that there is still ambiguity in the wording of the policy that may impact upon the delivery of the allocations in policy SS5 within a reasonable timeframe, should the neighbourhood plans not be delivered.
- The plan assigns allocations as “approximate”, “up to” and “at least” and is therefore not consistent.

Policy SS6: New housing in the countryside

- Clarification is sought on how the policy would apply in parishes that do not have a SPB.
- Concern that the reference to the support of the parish and town councils has been removed.
- The definition ‘locally agreed need’ is uncertain. This should be changed to ‘meets local needs’.
- Further clarification is required to the proposed additional wording in this policy, in particular where ‘small scale’ and ‘locally agreed need’ would apply in the borough.
- Lack of information as to how the new policy requirements would assess potential planning applications for replacement dwellings in the countryside.

Policy SS8: Basing View

- Basing View should be developed as employment first with ancillary uses supporting the employment use. Residential shouldn’t be included unless as part of securing wider employment.

- The policy should include a B1 site allocation to provide for offices for the future.
- Reference to a regenerated Basing View contributing up to a further 4,000 jobs to the local economy should be reinstated.

Policy CN4: Housing for older people/ specialist housing

- Off-site contributions should not be used for affordable housing.

Policy CN5: Gypsies, travelers and travelling showpeople

- It is inappropriate to locate 16 gypsy and traveler pitches over the four largest greenfield site allocations.

Policy CN9: Transport

- The proposed modifications do not take into account the issues raised at the examination hearings in that there needs to be provision for developers to contribute to cycling facilities off-site. Cycling provision should form part of the broader Infrastructure Delivery Strategy for each allocated site.
- Reference should be made to information in the Cycling Strategy and there should be a requirement in the policy for development proposals to accord with the strategy.
- Site specific mitigation measures or CIL should not be secured until the completion and occupation of the proposed development.
- Concern that there is no consideration of local road networks that are regularly congested.
- Lack of provision for off-site contributions for cycling facilities and key cycle routes to Basingstoke Town.
- Add policy criterion and supporting text which supports the Crossrail 2 project.

Policies EM1: Landscape, EM4: Biodiversity, geodiversity and nature conservation and EM5: Green Infrastructure

- In respect of green infrastructure and biodiversity, the proposed modifications still do not go far enough. The local plan lacks a comprehensive green infrastructure plan.

Policy EM7: Managing flood risk

- Reference to part L of the Building Regulations should be included in the policy.
- Reference to maintenance and monitoring of SUDs should be added to the policy.

Policy EM8: Commercial renewable/ low carbon energy generation

- Concern that wind turbines are being excluded from the policy.
- Concern that references to BREEAM and the Code for Sustainable Homes (CSH) have been removed and that these standards will not be considered in assessing proposed developments.
- Homes should be built to a better standard than the existing Part L of Building Regulations.
- New developments should demonstrate how they contribute to the council's Climate Change Strategy.
- The plan should provide a strategy to demonstrate how national targets for carbon reduction and the provision of energy demands from renewable sources will be implemented.

Policy EM9: Sustainable water use

- The standards referred to in policy EM9 for BREEAM should also be encouraged in terms of energy efficiency.

Policy EP1: Economic growth and investment

- Modifications to policy do not go far enough as the development of additional sites for industrial and campus style B1 office uses should also be facilitated by the policy.
- Greater clarification is sought in relation to the requirement for high quality floorspace.
- Criterion regarding the need for the floorspace to be proven should not be used to frustrate development that may be proposed on a speculative basis.

Schedule B: Proposed Minor Modifications

Site Allocation Policies SS3.1, SS3.2, SS3.3, SS3.4, SS3.5 and SS3.6

- The proposed additional text to the site policies do not provide a clear indication that green infrastructure will be delivered as part of the proposed development.

Glossary

- A number of green space terms should be defined within the glossary and incorporate biodiversity where possible.
- The Infrastructure Delivery Strategy definition could include the obligation to calculate the level of lifetime costs of green infrastructure and demonstrate the sourcing options available to fund this.

21 December 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

Consultation on the Proposed Modifications to the Local Plan (2011 – 2029)

The Basingstoke and Deane Local Plan (2011-2029) is currently being examined by an independent Inspector to ensure the Plan is legally compliant and meets the test of soundness. Following an exploratory meeting in December 2014 a number of proposed modifications were put forward by the council to the submitted Local Plan, and consultation on these changes took place in May/June 2015. Examination hearing sessions on the submitted plan, incorporating the initial set of proposed modifications, were held during October and November, closing on the 11 November 2015. Following the hearing sessions the Inspector has instructed the council to undertake consultation on a schedule of proposed Main Modifications which respond to issues raised by the Inspector before and during the hearings sessions.

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The council are now seeking your views on the Main Modifications made to the Local Plan (2011 – 2029) which are set out in the enclosed schedule (Schedule A). A Sustainability Appraisal has been carried out on these proposed changes and the need for a review of the Habitats Regulations Assessment has also been considered. The conclusions of these processes are also subject to consultation. The consultation on the modifications runs from **Monday 21 December 2015 to 4pm on Monday 8 February 2016**.

Alongside the main modifications proposed by the Inspector, the council is also consulting on a series of minor modifications to the Local Plan and these are listed in a separate schedule (Schedule B). Whilst not strictly necessary, the Council is nevertheless consulting on these proposed minor modifications to ensure transparency.

The following documents are enclosed for your information:

- Schedule A: Proposed Main Modifications following Local Plan Examination Hearings; and
- Representation Form

The documents listed above and the following supporting documents can also be viewed online on the Local Plan pages of the council's website at www.basingstoke.gov.uk/localplanmods

- An addendum to the Sustainability Appraisal incorporating a Strategic Environmental Assessment
- Equalities Impact Assessment Addendum
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- Schedule B: Proposed Minor Modifications following Local Plan Examination Hearings.

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- **online response form** at www.basingstoke.gov.uk/localplanmods
- **return representation form or submit written comments by post to:** Planning Policy Team, Civic Offices, London Road, Basingstoke RG21 4AH
- **return representation form or submit written comments by email to:** local.plan@basingstoke.gov.uk
- **return representation form by fax to:** 01256 845200

There is no need to restate any previous comments made on elements of the plan which have not changed. Any further representations on the proposed modifications to the Local Plan (2011-2029) should specify the modification to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made. The Inspector will consider all comments made on the Main Modifications prior to issuing his final recommendations in the form of an Inspector's Report. The council will also consider comments made on the proposed minor modifications. A hard copy of the representations form is enclosed for your use, although representations can be made in writing by post or by email.

Only those representations that refer to a specific change or supporting document, that are made in writing, and are received by the council within the consultation period (ending at 4pm on Monday 8 February 2016) will be considered.

If you require further information, or advice on how to respond to this consultation, or would like further information on the Local Plan, its associated documents or the Local

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Yours sincerely

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Jill Fisher

Policy Manager (Planning Policy and Infrastructure)

APPENDIX C – Representation Form



**Basingstoke
and Deane**

Ref:
(for official use only)



Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council Consultation on the Proposed Modifications to the Local Plan Representation Form

This is a focused consultation in relation to the proposed modifications to the Local Plan following the examination hearings. **Comments should only be made on the proposed modifications. Comments made on any elements of the plan which have not changed will not be accepted.**

Representations should be submitted by no later than 4pm on Monday 8 February 2016:
Online at www.basingstoke.gov.uk/localplanmods

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This form has two parts:

Part A – personal details

Part B – your representation(s) - please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make

PART A

Personal details (if an agent is appointed, please complete only the

Title, Name and Organisation boxes below but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2)

Title	
First name	
Last name	
Job title (where relevant)	
Organisation (where relevant)	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone number	
Email address	
Preferred method of contact	Email <input type="checkbox"/> Post <input type="checkbox"/>

Agent's details (if applicable)

Title	
First name	
Last name	
Job title (where relevant)	
Organisation (where relevant)	
Who are you representing?	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone number	
Email address	
Preferred method of contact	Email <input type="checkbox"/> Post <input type="checkbox"/>

Are you responding as:

- | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| An individual | <input type="checkbox"/> | A town or parish council | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A district/borough council | <input type="checkbox"/> | A borough councillor/MP | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| On behalf of an organisation | <input type="checkbox"/> | On behalf of a community group | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A landowner/developer/agent/architect | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

PART B

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE SHEET FOR EACH REPRESENTATION

1. To which proposed modification in the Local Plan does this representation relate?

PM:

2. Do you think the proposed modification is:

- a. **Legally Compliant**
(To be 'legally compliant' the Local Plan has to be prepared in accordance with the Duty to Co-operate and legal and procedural requirements. This is required by Government Guidance).
- Yes
No
Don't know
- If no, please provide further detail overleaf*

- b. **Sound**
To be 'sound', a Local Plan should be positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy. This is required by Government Guidance.
- Yes
No
- If no, please select on which test(s) of soundness by ticking the relevant boxes below and provide further detail overleaf.*

3. Tests of soundness

- | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. Positively Prepared
<i>To be positively prepared the plan should be based on a strategy which seeks to meet objectively assessed development and infrastructure requirements.</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> c. Effective
<i>To be effective, the plan must be:-</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Deliverable❖ Flexible❖ Able to be monitored | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. Justified
<i>To be justified, the plan must be:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Based on a robust and credible evidence base❖ The most appropriate strategy when considered against the reasonable alternatives | <input type="checkbox"/> d. Consistent with National Policy
<i>The plan must be consistent with government guidance, as set out within the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

4. Please give details of why you consider the proposed modification to the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound. Please be as precise as possible.

Alternatively, if you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the proposed modification in the Local Plan, please also use this box to set out your comments.

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary

5. Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the proposed modification to the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified above where this relates to soundness. You will need to say why this change will make the proposed modifications to the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary

Please note your representation should cover succinctly all the information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested change.

Signature

Date

Data Protection Statement

In complying with the Data Protection Act 1998, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council confirms that it will process personal data gathered from this form only for the purposes relating to the consultation. It is intended to publish responses to the consultation on the proposed modifications to the Local Plan on the council's website. This will include publication of names of respondents and company names (where appropriate). Please ensure you do not include any personal information in Part B of the document. Copies of all consultation responses, including Part A, will be available to view at the council offices, and photocopies can be made of these representations on request.

Personal information will be added to the council's Local Plan consultation database. We would like to keep you informed of progress on the Local Plan and in order to consult with you further at each stage of the process to enable you to make further comments. Please indicate below if you are happy for us to contact you.

Personal information will also be shared with the Planning Inspector who may wish to contact you to discuss your comments and concerns.

- a. If you wish to be notified of the Inspector's Report please tick box
- b. If you wish to be notified of the Adoption of the Local Plan please tick box
- c. If you wish to be contacted at future stages of the preparation of the Local Plan please tick box
- d. If you wish to receive email newsletters keeping you up to date on the next stages of preparation of the Local Plan please tick box

APPENDIX D – Statutory Public Notice

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Notice pursuant to the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended), The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations

This is a Notice of the publication of Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council's Proposed Modifications to the Local Plan 2011-2029 and additional consultation documents.

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council submitted the Local Plan to the Secretary of State in October 2014 under the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. Inspector Mike Fox was appointed to carry out an examination in to the legal compliance and soundness of the Local Plan. Examination Hearing sessions were held by the appointed Inspector during the period 6 October - 11 November 2015. Following the hearing sessions the council have proposed a number of modifications to the Local Plan.

Modifications fall into two types, main and minor. Main modifications are those changes that are considered necessary for soundness. They could, for example, change the meaning of a policy or proposal in the plan. Minor modifications do not go to the soundness of the Plan and are largely confined to typographical/grammatical amendments, factual updates, additional clarification or editorial changes that improve the Plan as a whole.

The council are now seeking views on the proposed main modifications to the Local Plan. Alongside the main modifications proposed by the Inspector, the council is also consulting on a series of minor modifications to the Local Plan. Whilst not strictly necessary, the council is nevertheless consulting on these proposed minor modifications to ensure transparency.

The proposed modifications to the Local Plan (2011-2029) consultation documents include a Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications following Local Plan Examination Hearings (Schedule A), an Addendum to the Sustainability Appraisal incorporating a Strategic Environmental Assessment, a Habitats Regulation Assessment Addendum, an Equalities Impact Assessment Addendum and a Schedule of Proposed Minor Modifications following Local Plan Examination Hearings (Schedule B). These will be published for consultation from **Monday 21 December 2015 to 4pm on Monday 8 February 2016**.

The Local Plan is the overarching planning document that identifies where development will take place, how new jobs will be supported and how the environment of the borough will be protected and enhanced. It allocates specific sites and locations for new development which is required up to 2029 in order to meet local needs. Once formally adopted, the Local Plan will be used to assess planning applications and provides the framework for Neighbourhood Planning in the borough.

The Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications to the Local Plan and other consultation documents can be viewed online along with a statement of how to make representations in relation to them on the Council website at www.basingstoke.gov.uk/localplanmods

The documents will also be available for public inspection at Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council Offices, London Road, Basingstoke, RG21 4AH between the hours of 8:30am and 5:00pm on Mondays to Thursdays and 8:30am and 4.30pm on Fridays. They will also be available for inspection at all public libraries in the borough during their normal opening hours.

Representations should be submitted (using the representations form) to the council using one of the following methods:

- **online response form** at www.basingstoke.gov.uk/localplanmods
- **return representation form by post to:** Planning Policy Team, Civic Offices, London Road, Basingstoke RG21 4AH

- return representation form by email to: local.plan@basingstoke.gov.uk
- return representation form by fax to: 01256 845200

All representations should specify the modification to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made, and each representation should be on a separate form.

Only those representations that refer to a specific change or supporting document, that are made in writing, and are received by the council within the seven week consultation period (ending at 4pm on Monday 8 February 2016) will be considered. If you require further information please contact the Planning Policy Team by telephoning 01256 845450 or 01256 845536 or by emailing the team at local.plan@basingstoke.gov.uk.