



Planning Policy Team
Worthing Borough Council
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Dear Resident Association / Community Group,

## Worthing Draft Local Plan Consultation Wednesday October 31<sup>st</sup> 2018 to Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018

As you may be aware, work has been progressing on the preparation of a new development plan, called the Worthing Local Plan – you may have even commented at an earlier stage. We are notifying you now that the Draft Local Plan (Regulation 18 version) is published for consultation and we would welcome your views and / or the views of the group or organisation you represent.

The Plan (which looks ahead to the year 2033) will be a key document in shaping the future of our borough. It will provide the strategy for growth, setting out what development will take place and where. Once adopted, the new Plan will replace the Worthing Core Strategy and will be an important consideration in determining planning applications.

The Draft Local Plan is informed by a robust evidence base and responds to comments submitted during the Issues & Options stage (2016). As explained further within the attached summary leaflet, the overarching aim is to balance the delivery of growth and regeneration to meet future needs whilst at the same time protecting the things that are valued about the town. The Plan sets out:

- a vision of what the town will be like in 2033;
- a set of strategic objectives to help deliver that vision;
- a spatial strategy guiding the location of new development;
- proposed allocations for development;
- areas that are proposed to be protected from development; and
- a set of 'Core Policies' against which all new development will be assessed.

All relevant documents, including the evidence base, summary leaflets and response form can be viewed on the Council's website from 31<sup>st</sup> October at: <a href="https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/worthing-local-plan/">www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/worthing-local-plan/</a>.

Paper copies of the Draft Local Plan and the main consultation material can also be found at the Council offices and libraries throughout the Borough.

The representations that we receive during the consultation will help to inform the next version of the Plan (Regulation 19 stage) which will be the subject of a further consultation and then submitted for Examination.

We also thought you might like the opportunity to join us during one of the following 'drop in sessions'. These informal events will provide an opportunity to ask questions and pick up or view some of the consultation material. There is no need to let us know if you are intending to come - simply turn up if you are able to.

- Wednesday 14th November 2018 from 3pm to 8:30pm
   Gordon Room, Worthing Town Hall, Chapel Road, Worthing, BN11 1HA
- Friday 23rd November 2018 from 10am to 3pm
   Gordon Room, Worthing Town Hall, Chapel Road, Worthing, BN11 1HA

As a representative of a group, you may want to encourage others who may have an interest to attend an event themselves. However, if a representative of your group is unable to attend, just let us know if you would like us to send copies of some of the consultation material of if we can help in any other way.

Please contact us if you would like to be removed from our Local Plan Database or if your contact details have changed.

The Planning Policy Team will be happy to answer any questions you or your group may have during the consultation period – please call on 01273 263000 or send an email at: <a href="mailto:worthinglocalplan@adur-worthing.gov.uk">worthinglocalplan@adur-worthing.gov.uk</a>

Yours faithfully

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