

To:
Parish and Town Councils

localplan@fenland.gov.uk

By Email

25th August 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Draft Fenland Local Plan Public Consultation

I am writing to inform you that Fenland District Council is consulting on the Draft Local Plan, the second stage in the preparation of a new Local Plan for Fenland. This is an important document as it will determine what the district will look like in the future and how it will become an even better place to live, work and visit. The Draft Local Plan sets out criteria-based policies that address the key issues in the district. It also includes specific allocations for new development.

Consultation on the draft Local Plan will take place between **25 August 2022 and 19 October 2022**. Full details are available on our website at:

<https://www.fenland.gov.uk/newlocalplan>

where you can read and comment on the plan and view all supporting documents.

The supporting documents include the Sustainability Appraisal (August 2022) and the Habitats Regulations Assessment (August 2022) which can be found at these links:

[Sustainability Appraisal - Fenland District Council](#)

[CD07-1a Draft Local Plan HRA Main Report August 2022.pdf \(fenland.gov.uk\)](#)

The emerging Local Plan will eventually replace the Local Plan adopted in 2014. This is the second opportunity for you to make comments on the emerging plan and we encourage you to take this opportunity to let us know your views.

Public consultation was carried out on the Issues and Options document in October/November 2019, all comments received have been taken into consideration and are available to view at:

<https://www.fenland.gov.uk/article/15177/Issues-Options-Key-Issues-Report>

All town and parish councils will be provided with information about their own area in the next week or so to enable easier focus on the local issues. Please note this will not be new information but simply a collation of existing information within the Local Plan document. This information is already available online and can be viewed electronically.

How to make comments

You can make comments:

- Online at www.fenland.gov.uk/localplansurvey
- By downloading and emailing the [Comments Forms](#) to localplan@fenland.gov.uk
- Or by sending a copy of the Comment Form to:

Local Plan Team
Fenland District Council
Fenland Hall
County Road
March
PE15 8NQ

Comments on the draft Local Plan may be made between **9.00am 25 August 2022 and 11:59pm on 19 October 2022.**

May I advise you that comments will not be kept confidential and will be made available to the public (including online). However, your personal details will be kept confidential in line with the Data Protection Act. Please see www.fenland.gov.uk/privacy for further information.

Next Stages

All comments received will be taken into consideration and will help inform the Proposed Submission Draft Local Plan to be published in summer 2023. Following this consultation period all comments will be made available on the Council's website at: www.fenland.gov.uk/newlocalplan

If you would like to keep up to date with the progress of the Local Plan, please check our website at www.fenland.gov.uk/newlocalplan. We may as appropriate, contact you again when the next stages are reached for this Plan. If you no longer wish to be kept informed, please let us know using the contact details at the top of this letter – we do not want to contact you unnecessarily.

Yours faithfully,

Gemma Wildman
Local Plan Team