Cambridge Local Plan - Towards 2031 Issues and Options Report: Consultation Statement

The Local Plan is used to guide decisions on matters ranging from the location of housing, schools, parks and open spaces to the design requirements of new buildings. Policies in the Local Plan are used when decisions on planning applications are made. The current Local Plan for Cambridge was adopted in 2006 and it is now being reviewed.

The timetable below shows the stages that are involved in the preparation of a new Local Plan. Stage 1, the preparation and completion of evidence base, has been completed and we are now on stage 2, the Issues and Options Consultation.

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Purpose of this report

This report sets out the consultation arrangements proposed by the Council in the development of the Cambridge Local Plan Towards 2031 Issues and Options Report. The Council recognise the importance of engaging the community from the outset of the Local Plan review process. To this end, in November 2011, the Council agreed a Consultation and Community Engagement Strategy for the Local Plan review, which can be viewed via the link below: [http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/democracy/documents/s6576/Cambridge%20Local%20Plan%20Appendix%20A_Consultation%20and%20Engagement%20Strategy.pdf](http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/democracy/documents/s6576/Cambridge%20Local%20Plan%20Appendix%20A_Consultation%20and%20Engagement%20Strategy.pdf)

Preparation and completion of evidence base

As part of the early stage of developing a new plan, the Council has undertaken a significant amount of work in compiling its evidence base. This has involved the completion of a number of studies as well as working with key stakeholders, organisations and groups across the city. Details of the evidence base for the Local Plan can be found by visiting the background documents page of the Council’s website: [http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/ccm/navigation/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/background-documents/](http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/ccm/navigation/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/background-documents/)

A series of workshops were also held between December 2011 and February 2012, with Councillors, stakeholders, developers, agents and residents associations. The purpose of these workshops was to explain how the Local Plan will be prepared, to encourage people to get involved from an early stage and to discuss issues and concerns.

Written reports of these workshops and a summary document can be found by visiting [www.cambridge.gov.uk/localplanreview](http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/localplanreview)

One to one meetings were also offered and a number were held with various organisations in order to help understand future needs and concerns. The issues identified as part of these workshops and one
Consultation on the Issues and Options Report

The Cambridge Local Plan Towards 2031 – Issues and Options Report will now be subject to a six-week period of public consultation. This consultation will provide an opportunity for local residents and other key stakeholders to have sight of and discuss a range of issues and options that are relevant to the future planning and development of the city. Following consultation, the Council will look to develop a draft Local Plan, which will be subject to a further round of public consultation between March – April 2013. There will also be a consultation on site options for development, which will take place in Autumn/Winter 2012.

Consultation on the Issues and Options Report will take place between the 15th June to 27th July 2012. During this time people will be able to comment on both the Issues and Options Report and its associated Sustainability Appraisal. The planning regulations, establish minimum requirements for consultation and at the Issues and Options stage the Council is required to consult specific and general consultation bodies, as appropriate to the document. Appendix A includes the list of consultees.

In accordance with the Council’s Consultation and Community Engagement Strategy, consultation arrangements include:

- Consultation for 6 weeks between 15 June to 27 July 2012;
- Letters and emails informing Consultees of consultation dates and how to view and respond to the consultation material (see Appendix A for list of consultees);
- A public notice (see Appendix B);
- All documents to be made available on the Council’s website and Customer Service Centre including a small exhibition;
- Libraries to receive hard copies;
- Article in the summer edition of Cambridge Matters which goes to every household in the city;
- Publicise the consultation through the Council’s Facebook page and Twitter as well as developing a Local Plan news blog;
- Leaflets promoting the Local Plan consultation will be handed out at key locations including Cambridge Station, Addenbrooke’s Hospital and Cambridge Science Park;
- Opportunities will also be explored to engage with young people and other groups.

A series of exhibitions across the city are also being planned, to enable as wide an audience as possible to have their say on the Issues and Options Report. A specific event is being organised by FeCRA, primarily for Resident Associations, on 16 June 2012. Officers are attending other resident association meetings to discuss the Report and how to respond. A smaller feedback group of residents associations is also being set up to work with officers and provide ongoing feedback as the plan progresses.

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A public notice will be placed in the Cambridge News, setting out the details of the consultation including where consultation documents can be viewed. Once people have viewed the Local Plan, comments on the document can be sent to the Council. A number of questions have been set out and while it would be helpful for people to respond to these, comments can be made on any paragraph in the report. There are a number of ways in which comments can be made:

- **Using the Council’s online consultation system** – This is the Council’s preferred means of receiving representations because it is the fastest and most accurate method, helping us to manage representations quickly and efficiently. Separate instructions on how to use the online consultation system are provided on the [local plan review website](http://cambridge.jdi-consult.net/ldf/), with the online consultation system address being: [http://cambridge.jdi-consult.net/ldf/](http://cambridge.jdi-consult.net/ldf/);

- **Using a response form** – If you do not have access to a computer, a paper form can be completed and sent to the Council. Copies of the response form are available from the planning policy team (Tel: 01223 457000), and once completed, response forms should be sent to:
  - Local Plan Review Issues and Options Consultation, Planning Policy Team, Cambridge City Council, PO Box 700, Cambridge, CB1 0JH; or
  - Email to [policysurveys@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:policysurveys@cambridge.gov.uk)

Please submit your comments before **5.00pm on the 27\(^{th}\) July 2012.**
Appendix A: List of Consultees for the Issues and Options Consultation

Below is a list of organisations that will be directly informed of the Issues and Options consultation via email (individuals are not listed). In addition to this list the public will be informed through an article in Cambridge Matters, various press releases, through the Council’s web pages and a series of exhibitions to capture as many people across the city as possible.

SPECIFIC CONSULTATION BODIES
- English Heritage
- Environment Agency
- Highways Agency
- Natural England
- Network Rail
- Cambridgeshire Primary Care Trust
- EDF Energy
- National Grid Transco
- E.On Energy
- Npower Renewables
- Scottish Power
- Scottish & Southern Electric
- British Gas
- Cambridge Water Company
- Anglian Water
- Homes and Communities Agency
- South Cambridgeshire District Council
- Cambridgeshire County Council (Highways)
- Cambridgeshire County Council (Strategic Planning)
- Comberton Parish Council
- Coton Parish Council
- Cottenham Parish Council
- Fen Ditton Parish Council
- Fulbourn Parish Council
- Girton Parish Council
- Grantchester Parish Council
- Great Shelford Parish Council
- Hauxton Parish Council
- Histon & Impington Parish Councils
- Horningsea Parish Council
- Madingley Parish Council
- Milton Parish Council
- Teversham Parish Council
- Cambridgeshire Constabulary
- Cambridge Crown Court
- Cambridge University Hospital (Addenbrookes)

COUNCILLORS
- 42 x City Councillors
- All County Councillors (City Wards)

COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS
- Cambridge Federation of Residents’ Associations
- Cambridge Citizens Advise Bureau
- Cambridgeshire Voluntary Sector Infrastructure Consortium (CVSIC)
- The GET Group
- Cambridge Ethnic Community Forum
- The COVER Group
- Work Advice Volunteering Education Training (WAVET)
- Cambridgeshire Older Peoples Enterprise (COPE)
- Cambridge Interfaith Group
- Encompass Network
- Disability Cambridgeshire
- National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups
- The Church of England Ely Diocese
- The East Anglian Gypsy Council
- East of England Faiths Council
- Age Concern Cambridgeshire

ENVIRONMENTAL
- Conservators of the River Cam
- Cambridge Past, Present and Future
- The Wildlife Trust
- Transition Cambridge
- RSPB Eastern England Office
- The Wildlife Trust
- Cambridge Friends of the Earth
- Cam Valley Forum
- Cambridge Carbon Footprint
- Transitions Cambridge

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2 Specific consultation bodies are required under the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012
• Campaign to Protect Rural England
• Cambridgeshire Local Access Forum
• The National Trust

DEVELOPERS
• Estate Management and Building Service, University of Cambridge
• Januaries
• Savills
• Bidwells
• Carter Jonas
• Skanska UK Plc
• Countryside Properties
• Barratt Eastern Counties
• The Home Builders Federation
• Beacon Planning Ltd
• Grosvenor USS
• Liberty Property Trust
• Bovis Homes Ltd
• Home Builders Federation
• Countryside Properties
• Argyle Street Housing Cooperative
• Cheffins
• Bellway Homes
• Unex
• Artek Design House
• Barton Wilmore
• Brookgate
• Berkeley Homes
• The Howard Group of Companies
• DPP
• Chartered Institute of Architectural Technologist
• RPS

BUSINESSES
• Marshalls Airport
• Cambridgeshire Chambers of Commerce
• CRACA
• Cambridge Network
• Love Cambridge
• Cambridge Hoteliers Association
• Cambridge Energy Forum
• Cambridge Cleantech
• Future Business
• St John’s Innovation Centre
• Ely Cathedral Business Group
• One Nucleus

• Creative Front
• Sub Groups of the LEP
• ARM Holdings
• Redgate
• Federation of Small Businesses
• The Institute of Directors

EDUCATION
• Anglia Ruskin University
• All Colleges of the University of Cambridge
• The Bursars Committee
• Sixth Form Colleges
• Private Schools
• Cambridge Regional College
• Secondary Schools
• Parkside Federation

OTHERS
• Mobile Operators Association
• Cambridge Cycling Campaign
• Local Enterprise Partnership
• Design Council/CABE
• Cambridgeshire Campaign for Better Transport
• Shape East
• Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service
• The Norfolk, Suffolk & Cambridgeshire Strategic Health Authority
• BT Open Reach Newsites
• Cable & Wireless UK
• Cambridge Federation of Tenants and Leaseholders
• Sport England
• Local Strategic Partnership
• Registered Social Landlords

ALL RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATIONS
• Accordia Community and Resident’s Association (ACRA)
• Babraham Road Action Group
• Barton Close Residents’ Association
• Bateman Street & Bateman Mews Residents Association
• BENERA (Bentley and Newton Road Residents’ Association)
• Bishops Court Residents’ Company Ltd
• Bradmore & Petersfield Residents Association
• Brooklands Avenue Area Residents' Association
• Brookside Residents Association
• Brunswick & North Kite Residents' Association
• Bulstrode Gardens Residents Association
• Cambanks Residents' Society Ltd
• Camboaters
• Castle Community Action Group
• Cherry Hinton & Rathmore Roads Residents' Association
• Cherry Hinton Residents' Association
• Christ's Pieces Residents Association
• Clerk Maxwell Road Residents' Association
• Corfe Close Residents Association (CCRA)
• Covent Garden Residents' Association
• CREW
• CRONC
• De Freville Avenue RA
• Devonshire Road Residents' Association
• East Chesterton Community Action Group
• EMRAG
• FECRA (Cambridge Federation of Residents' Associations)
• Fenners Lawn Residents Association Ltd
• Friends of Milton Road Library
• Gazeley Lane Area Residents' Association
• George Pateman Court Residents' Association
• Glisson Road/Tenison Road Area Residents' Association
• Gough Way Residents Association
• Greenlands' Residents Association
• Guest Road Residents' Association
• Hanover & Princess Court Residents' Association
• Hazelwood & Molewood Residents' Association
• Highsett Flats Resident's Association
• Highsett Houses Residents' Society
• Highsett Residents' Association
• Iceni Homes (Hundred Houses) Tenants' Association
• Jesus Green Association
• King Street Neighbourhood Association
• Kings Hedges Neighbourhood Partnership
• Lichfield & Neville Residents' Action Group
• Mill Road Community Improvements Group
• Mill Road Society
• Millington Road & Millington Lane Residents Association
• Mitchams Corner Residents' & Traders' Association
• Mulberry Close Residents Society
• NAFRA 19 Acre Field Residents' Association
• New Pinehurst Residents Association
• Newnham Croft Conservation Group
• Newtown Residents' Association
• Norfolk Terrace & Blossom Street Residents' Association
• North Newnham Residents Association
• Norwich Street Residents' Association
• Old Chesterton Residents' Association & Friends of Stourbridge Common
• Old Pinehurst Residents Association
• Orchard Close Residents Association
• Oxford Road Residents' Association
• Park Resident's Association (PRSA)
• Petersfield Area Community Trust (PACT)
• Pinehurst South Resident's Association
• Protect Union Lane Group
• Ravensworth Gardens Residents Association Limited
• Residents Association of Old Newnham (RAON)
• Richmond Road Residents' Association
• Riverside Area Residents Association
• Romsey Action
• RTLG Residents Technical Liaison Group
• Rustat Neighbourhood Association
• Sandy Lane Residents' Association
• Shelly Gardens Leaseholder's Association
• SOLACHRA
• St Mark's Court Residents Association
- St Matthews Gardens Residents Association
- Storeys Way Residents’ Association
- Tavistock Road & Stratfield Close Residents’ Association
- The Eights Marina Management Board
- The Linchpin Project
- Three Trees Residents' Association
- Trumpington Residents Association
- University of the Third Age & Mill Road Society
- Victoria Park Residents Working Group
- VIE Residents' Association
- West Cambridge Preservation Society
- Windsor Road Residents Association (WIRE)
- York Street Residents' Action Group
Appendix B: Public Notice

Cambridge City Council
Cambridge Local Plan Review

Notice of publication of the Cambridge Local Plan Towards 2031 - Issues and Options Report (June 2012) for public consultation

Cambridge City Council is in the process of preparing a new Local Plan, which will plan for and manage development in the City of Cambridge until 2031. The first stage is the identification of the issues the Council believes are facing Cambridge over the next 20 years and the options for dealing with these issues. The Council seeks your views in order to help shape the new Local Plan.

The six-week consultation period on the Issues and Options Report 2012 and its associated Interim Sustainability Appraisal is from 9am on 15th June 2012 until 5pm on 27th July 2012

The Issues and Options Report, the Interim Sustainability Appraisal and other relevant supporting documents are available for inspection:

- Online on the City Council’s website: www.cambridge.gov.uk/localplanreview
- At Cambridge City Council’s Customer Service Centre at Mandela House, 4 Regent Street, Cambridge, CB2 1BY from 8am-6pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and 9am–6pm on Thursdays.

You can also visit exhibitions and speak to representatives of the Council as follows:

- West Cambridge Exhibition, Tuesday 19th June 3pm - 8 pm, West Cambridge Sports Pavillion, Wilberforce Road, CB3 0EQ;
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The Issues and Options Report and Sustainability Appraisal can also be purchased from the Customer Service Centre (Tel: 01223 457000).

Comments should be made using:

• The online response system available on the City Council website http://cambridge.jdi-consult.net/ldf/;
• Printed response forms are available from the Customer Service Centre (as above) or can be downloaded and filled in electronically by visiting www.cambridge.gov.uk/localplanreview

Completed response forms should be sent to:
• Local Plan Review Issues and Options Consultation, Planning Policy Team, Cambridge City Council, PO Box 700, Cambridge, CB1 0JH
• Or emailed to policiesurveys@cambridge.gov.uk

Please submit your comments before 5.00pm on the 27th July 2012.

Any representations submitted in relation to the Issues and Options Report may also be accompanied by a request to be notified of the submission of the draft Local Plan to the Secretary of State.

For further information, please contact the Planning Policy team as follows:
• Tel: 01223 457000
• Email: policiesurveys@cambridge.gov.uk

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Date of Notice: 15th June 2012