

Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond
Section 2 Proposed Main Modifications : Invitation to Comment
(Statement of Representations Procedure Notice)
Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004
Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

The Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond was submitted to the Secretary of State on 9 October 2017 to begin the process of independent examination. Section 1 of the Plan (the 'North Essex Authorities Shared Strategic Section 1 Plan' common to Tendring District Council, Colchester Borough Council and Braintree District Council) was adopted by Tendring District Council on 26 January 2021. This followed the examination by an independent Planning Inspector who required a number of 'main modifications' to the Section 1 Plan to ensure its legal compliance and soundness.

Section 2 of the Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond (which contains policies and proposals specific to Tendring only) was examined separately, following adoption of Section 1.

Examination hearings for Section 2 of the Local Plan were conducted in February and March 2021 by Anne Jordan BA (Hons) MRTPI and Jameson Bridgwater PGDipTP MRTPI - independent Planning Inspectors appointed by the Secretary of State. In May 2021, the Inspectors wrote to the Council to recommend a number of 'Main Modifications' that they consider necessary to ensure the legal compliance and soundness of the Section 2 Plan, responding to issues identified both before and during the examination hearings.

For the Section 2 Local Plan to proceed to the next stages of the plan-making process and towards adoption, the Main Modifications must be published for consultation in accordance with Regulation 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) alongside an updated 'Sustainability Appraisal' and an updated 'Habitats Regulation Assessment' (HRA).

Following a decision of the Council's Planning Policy and Local Plan Committee on 29th June 2021 to proceed to the next stage of the process, the Council hereby gives notice of the period of consultation within which comments on the recommended Main Modifications and the updated SA and HRA will be invited. The Council will also be inviting comments on proposed modifications to the 'Policies Maps' and 'Local Maps' that form part of the Local Plan along with a number of 'Additional Modifications' of a minor or factual nature.

The consultation period opens on Friday 16th July 2021 and will close at 5.00pm on Tuesday 31st August 2021 – a period of just over six weeks. Any comments received during this period will be forwarded to the Inspectors, who will take them into account

in coming to their final recommendations on legal compliance and soundness of the Section 2 Local Plan and the modifications that will need to be made to the Plan before the Council can proceed to its formal adoption.

Please note – the consultation is limited to the Main Modifications, the updated SA and HRA, the proposed modifications to Policies Maps and Local Maps and the ‘Additional Modifications.. This is not an opportunity to comment on other aspects of the Local Plan not recommended for modification. If you had already submitted comments on the Local Plan as part of previous consultation exercise, the Inspector has considered these during the examination process and there is no need to resubmit such comments .

Where You Can View the Consultation Documents

All the consultation documents are available to view and download online at: www.tendringdc.gov.uk/localplan/section2.

Paper copies will also be available at public libraries around the District and at Clacton Town Hall, during usual opening hours.

How to Comment (make “representations”)

Responses can be made online via the link above.

Where this is not possible, paper copies can be requested from the Planning Policy Team (contact details below) and returned to: Acting Director for Planning, Tendring District Council, Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 1SE.

Please note responses should be returned to Tendring District Council and not the Programme Officer.

Deadline for Responses

The consultation period starts on Friday 16 July 2021 and runs for just over 6 weeks. All representations need to be received by the Council no later than 5pm on Tuesday 31 August 2021.

Receiving Notification of Inspector’s Report / Plan Adoption

Any representation may be accompanied by a request to be notified when the report of the Inspector is published and/or the Local Plan has been adopted.

Any Questions?

If you have any queries on the Main Modifications and the consultation please contact the Planning Policy Team on (01255) 686177, or by email at: planning.policy@tendringdc.gov.uk.