

# Local Development Plan Newsletter

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Welcome to the latest Brentwood Local Development Plan Newsletter. This issue provides an update on Local Plan progress and sets out upcoming consultations to look out for soon.

## Consultations Starting in January 2015

The Council will be undertaking two consultations in parallel during January.

### Brentwood Borough Strategic Growth Options Consultation

Much has changed since 2013. We now know we need to meet all of the 5,500 new homes needed in Brentwood Borough over the next 15 years. This is 2,000 more than the 2013 Consultation planned for. For this reason we are reconsidering key issues & sites. The consultation document sets out development options for public comment.

**Unlike the 2013 Preferred Options consultation, the potential development sites set out in the document are not the Council's own choices. The potential development sites set out in the document are the sites suggested by developers, landowners and local residents as part of previous Local Plan consultations. Not all sites are needed to meet the nationally set housing requirements for the Borough. We need your help to identify which sites are preferable.**

Any new homes will also need to bring with them associated infrastructure, including schools and health facilities where needed.

The risk to the Borough of not considering all the options is that development is more likely to occur in an unplanned way. The Council must follow processes and requirements as set nationally within planning law.

### Brentwood & Basildon Boroughs Dunton Garden Suburb Consultation

This is a joint consultation between both Brentwood and Basildon Borough Councils to explore a potential opportunity for cross-boundary development in the Dunton area. Potential development could deliver new homes, schools and other uses in order to meet local needs, as required by Government. By developing this potential option, there would be less pressure to develop elsewhere in Brentwood in order to meet our housing need of 5,500 new homes.

Following consultation, both Councils will consider all responses and determine whether the idea should be taken any further.



*Cross-boundary potential development location*

**Both consultations will take place between 6 January and 17 February 2015. To find out more and to respond, please visit the Council's website at [www.brentwood.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.brentwood.gov.uk/localplan)**



## Plan Progress to date

The most recent Local Plan consultation took place between July and October 2013 (Preferred Options). This was one of a series of consultations. Over 3,000 responses were received from over 1,000 respondents.

Since then the Council has been analysing the responses. The findings will be published in a Consultation Statement in early 2015. This will then inform future versions of the Local Plan.



*Preferred Options Consultation Event*

## What Next?

Following both consultations the Council will analyse the responses and consider an appropriate way forward. A Draft Plan, identifying preferred development sites, will then be available for public consultation later in 2015.



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