Doncaster Local Plan

Statement of Consultation (Regulation 22 Statement)

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1. **Introduction**

1.1 The consultation statement accompanies Doncaster’s draft Local Plan. It is been prepared alongside the delivery of the Local Plan and provides a summary of the consultation and engagement process undertaken up to the Publication stage (Regulation 19) and will be updated at Submission stage into a complete Regulation 22 Statement of Consultation that covers the whole local plan process.

1.2 The report includes brief summaries of main issues raised in the representations received. The Council at each stage of the draft plan preparation have prepared feedback and an indication how the representations have been taken into account and have influences plan preparation. These reports are still available to view in full on the Council’s website.

2. **Brief Summary**

2.1 Doncaster’s Local Plan began its process following the withdrawal of the Sites and Policies Development Plan Document (Local Development Framework) in September 2014. The following gives a brief summary of each stage from September 2014 to the current time.

**Call for Sites (October 2014)**
As part of the initial preparation for the Local Plan, the Council carried out a Call for Sites (October 2014) asking the public and landowners if they have sites that they would wish to be considered for development in the new Local Plan. The Council would use this information as an evidence base. Any site that was previously promoted through the Local Development Framework needed to be re-submitted.

**Statement of Community Involvement (April 2015)**
Since the adoption of the previous Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) important changes in planning law and national planning guidance, also the Council responded to the flexibilities brought in by deciding to work towards a Local Plan, a refresh as to the way communication with businesses, residents and other interested parties was undertaken. After public consultation the SCI was then adopted in July 2015.

**Emerging Vision, Aims and Objectives and Issues and Options (July 2015)**
As part of the initial process on the development of the Local Plan, a statutory consultation was undertaken in July 2015, this ran over 8 weeks with the statutory period been only 6 weeks. This was consultation on the Vision, Aims and Objectives and Issues and Options:  
**Emerging Vision, Aims & Objectives paper** outlined a draft vision for the future and a series of draft aims and objectives to help achieve this vision. 
**Issues & Options document** set out some questions on the Borough’s key issues that need to be addressed by the Local Plan, followed by three strategic options for how we could plan for Doncaster’s future.

**Housing and Employment Site Selection Methodology and Aggregate Minerals Requirements (November 2015)**
As part of the preparation of the Local Plan, non-statutory engagement was undertaken regarding Sites Selection Methodology, the consultation period ran over 4 weeks from 24th November – 21st December 2015.
Housing & Employment Site Selection Methodology – this paper set out the stages for how the Council were proposing to assess all the sites that have been put forward to the Local Plan (Call for Sites, previous stage) for consideration as housing and employment (including mixed use) sites.

Aggregate Minerals Requirements – this paper set out the stages for how the Council were proposing to assess all the sites that have been put forward to the Local Plan for consideration as minerals sites. It also set out the process for identifying Minerals Safeguarding Areas and Areas of Search as required by national policy.

Homes and Settlements and Updated Sustainability Appraisal (March 2016) A statutory consultation was undertaken with continuing engagement which took place on the Revised Sustainability Appraisal on the Growth Options and Homes and Settlements paper running over a period of 6 weeks (statutory period 5) from 7th March 2016 until 18th April 2016.

Homes and Settlements paper – This set out the proposed number of new homes planned (both open market and affordable housing) and their proposed distribution across Doncaster’s towns and villages.

Updated Sustainability Appraisal of Doncaster’s Growth Options and Scoping Report – an updated Sustainability Appraisal of Doncaster’s Growth Options that included an assessment of the Homes and Settlement paper. The Scoping Report was also updated and should be read in conjunction with the Appraisal.

Local Plan Draft Policies and Proposed Sites (September-October 2018) This stage was an informal non-statutory stage of public consultation that ran from Thursday 13th September to Friday 26th October. This was to get views on the draft planning policies and proposed sites that will guide decisions on planning applications for the future. It also gave us an opportunity to publish all our evidence base documents to support those decisions. Although an informal stage, it provided an opportunity for everyone to give their views before the Council drafted the final plan for Publication stage.

2.2 National Planning policy encourages early, proportionate and effective engagement between plan-makers and communities, local organisations and business, infrastructure providers and operators and statutory consultees. Therefore, within each stage of the plan-making i.e. formal and informal consultation other engagement work has been undertaken to ensure as many residents, organisations and businesses are informed as much as possible.

3. Stages of Public Consultation / Engagement

3.1 Call for Sites – October-December 2014
http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/call-for-sites-stage

3.2 As part of the initial preparation for the Local Plan, a ‘Call for Sites' was undertaken for a period of eight weeks between October and December 2014 asking the public and landowners if they had any sites they would wish to see considered for development. This would be the start of the evidence base for the Local Plan.

3.3 Everybody on the Local Plan database was notified by e-mail as a way of notification and asked to complete a questionnaire to ascertain their intentions for
the land as well as submit a supporting location plan. This stage was also publicised wider through the use of social media, press releases, and Officer’s attendance at events such as the Doncaster Property Forum (see Appendix 1 for examples of publicity).

3.4 The sites put forward at this stage were then considered through the development of the Local Plan process. It did not indicate that they would be necessarily supported for development, but help towards knowing what was available within the borough once determined how much development land was needed to meet the growth and regeneration needs of the Borough, and then identify the most sustainable sites to accommodate this.

3.5 Following the close of the ‘Call for Sites’ stage, a total of 499 sites were put forward for consideration for various uses, a breakdown as follows:

- Housing - 376 sites
- Employment - 30 sites
- Mixed use - 25 sites
- Retail - 1 site
- Minerals Extraction - 7 sites
- Gypsy & Traveller - 2 sites
- Multiple Options - 33 sites (e.g. owner has asked for the site to be considered as suitable for either housing or employment etc)
- Other - 25 sites (e.g. renewable energy, holiday accommodation etc)

3.6 This stage of the process provided the Council with a very large pool of potential development sites which could then be assessed further through the appropriate evidence base, such as HELAA, to ascertain suitable and available/achievable land supply to also inform what could be an appropriate strategy on which to base the local plan on and so that the ability of meeting any of the propose strategies could be better understood, including constraints.

3.7 Statement of Community Involvement (April – July 2015)
https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/statement-of-community-involvement

3.8 Although this is a statutory document, the Council wanted to consider how it would communicate with businesses, residents and other interested about how the emerging Local Plan would be undertaken.

3.9 Whilst not formally required, a full public consultation as undertaken for a period of 4 weeks from 7th April to 15th May 2015 with businesses, residents and other interested parties (including statutory consultees). As well as writing to all the people on the Council’s Local Plan database, the Statement of Community Involvement was published online and on the Council’s social media pages.

3.10 During consultation, responses were received from 15 respondents. The detailed representations are set out in a consultation report which is available online (see web link above). All responses were supportive of an updated SCI and the key changes made to the pre-consultation document were mainly regarding updates to reflect Government changes e.g. departmental name changes (Highways England, Historic England etc) and amendments to the neighbourhood planning
3.11 The Statement of Community Involvement was adopted in July 2015.

3.12 **Draft Local Plan – Vision, Aims and Objectives and Issues and Options (July 2015)**

3.13 The draft Vision, aims and objectives consultation paper was issued for public consultation, for an eight week period on 13th July to the 7th September 2015 (8 weeks rather than the statutory 6 week period). Late comments were received until 11th September 2015 which were then considered.

3.14 The Vision, aims and objectives set down a vision for the future of the borough and the aims and objectives we thought were necessary to achieve this. The paper provided a portrait of the borough and summarised the issues and other plans and strategies that the Local Plan would need to take account of.

3.15 The Issues and Options paper set out the scope and purposes of the Local Plan and the process for producing it. The paper set out some important choices that needed to be made about where development should place. It proposed three board options for where to locate growth across the borough and so meet the vision and aims and objectives.

3.16 The Council received a total of 274 responses via Survey Monkey and 336 responses via letter/e-mail, giving a total of over 600 responses. The responses received were from statutory agencies, individuals/residents, developers/land owners, elected members, town and parish councils and other local authorities.

3.17 A full summary of the responses was published in February 2016. The consultation approach can be summarised as follows:

- An email/letter was sent to registered parties setting out the purpose and content of the Local Plan and how to make comments.
- There was an extensive targeted social media presence and focussed engagement with ‘hard to reach’ groups such as young people and gypsies and travellers.
- Town/Parish council and a number of stakeholder workshops were held.
- Ward Member events were held
- Doncaster Chamber of Commerce workshop
- Drop in session for DMBC staff
- Email to all local libraries
- Presentation at the Developer/Agents Forum
- “Team Doncaster partnership summit” - Around 100 key stakeholders from across the borough attended the event at Doncaster College (“the Hub”), including: elected mayor and councillors; chief officers and theme board chairs (Team Doncaster); Public sector organisations such as Doncaster Chamber of Commerce, Doncaster College; business and industry representatives; voluntary and community sector organisations such as
Doncaster Citizens Advice Board and Doncaster CVS and Youth Council representatives.

3.18 The “Team Doncaster partnership summit” brought together the public, voluntary and community sectors and featured presentations from key stakeholders, round table discussions and open workshop sessions. (See Appendix 2 for workshop photographs and other publicity methods used during consultation).

3.19 Overall, of the three options consulted on, two clear messages resulted from the consultation: A) The larger and more sustainable urban areas ought to be the main locations for housing growth (and this should include making good use of brownfield sites including sites in flood zones provided these were, or could be made, safe), and; B) Local housing needs should be met locally and this should extend to the smaller settlements provided they had a service function; there was recognition that this larger spread of locations should provide for a better mix of sites, increasing choice, and would include sites in parts of the borough that would likely prove more attractive to the housing market and so improve delivery.

3.20 The housing distribution in the emerging Local Plan takes account of the responses received. Full responses and feedback can be found in the “Consultation summary of responses (2016)” available online https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/local-plan-issues-and-options.

3.21 Housing and Employment Site Selection Methodology and Aggregate Minerals Requirements (November 2015)

3.22 This was a non-statutory engagement which was undertaken regarding Site Selection Methodologies for the Housing, Employment and aggregate mineral land uses. The consultation period ran over 4 weeks from 24th November – 21st December 2015.

3.23 Housing and Employment Site Selection Methodology paper set out stages for how the Council were proposing to assess all the sites that have been put forward to the Local Plan (Call for Sites, previous stage see above) for considerations as housing and employment (including mixed use) sites in line with national policy and sustainability considerations.

3.24 The Aggregate Minerals Requirements paper set out stages for how the council were proposing to assess all the sites that had been put forward to the Local Plan for consideration as Minerals Sites. It set out the process for identifying mineral safeguarding areas and areas of search as required by national policy.

3.25 Various methods of communication was used to publicise this engagement e.g. letters direct to all on the Local Plan database, local libraries e-mailed and updated to the stage.

3.26 The consultation resulted in 36 different consultees responded to the documents, providing 148 specific comments on various parts of the document. The breakdown of responses can broadly be grouped together as follows:
• Statutory consultee - 12
• Town/Parish Council – 3
• Elected Member – 1
• DMBC Dept – 1
• Developer/ Landowner/ Agent – 15
• Community Group/Individuals – 4

3.27 A full summary of the responses received was published in September 2018. Comments made informed subsequent Local Plan preparation. There were some concerns expressed about the sequencing of the methodology, in particular the Green Belt, Flood Risk and Sustainability Appraisal stages. There was also concerns that the criteria were too brownfield focussed in places and that this did not accord with NPPF.

3.28 **Homes and Settlements and Updated Sustainability Appraisal (March 2016)**


3.29 Following recommendation from Full Council (1st March 2016), a Homes and Settlements and Updated Sustainability Appraisal was issued for consultation. This was a non-statutory stage, but further engagement on the Local Plan whereby the Homes and Settlements Paper ran over a period of 6 weeks from 7th March 2016 to the 18th April 2016.

3.30 A revised Sustainability Appraisal on the Growth Options was also published for consultation at the same time and to address comments received previously.

3.31 The Homes and Settlements paper set out the proposed number of new homes planned (both open market and affordable housing) and their proposed distribution across Doncaster’s towns and villages. It proposed the majority of the development to the Main Urban Area and 7 Main Towns with more modest housing growth to 10 Service Towns and Larger Villages. The remaining 40 Villages were identified as no growth settlements.

3.32 The processes used for publicising this stage varied with letters sent to everyone on the Local Plan database who had requested to keep informed, appendix 3 highlights some of the methods used.

3.33 The consultation resulted in 157 letters of response being received making 268 specific points. 14 of these were from Town and Parish Councils, 29 from agents representing landowners/developers and 67 from individuals/residents and 5 from neighbouring local authorities.

3.34 An analysis of the responses was published in September 2018. This has informed subsequent Local Plan preparation. A summary of responses received and a response to them can be found on our web site (see web link above).

3.35 **Local Plan Draft Policies and Proposed Sites (September - October 2018)**

http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/local-plan-consultation
3.36 Although a non-statutory, public consultation/engagement was undertaken from 13th September to Friday 26th October 2018 regarding the Local Plan draft policies and proposed sites. This consultation sought views on draft sites for development and on policies and proposals that will guide future decisions on planning applications made in the borough. It also gave the Council an opportunity to publish evidence documents to support those decisions.

3.37 This was seen as an important stage on the emerging Local Plan process as it was before the more formal stages of the Plan preparation, when it becomes harder to have an influence to give views.

3.38 Over 1,200 responses were received and are summarised as follows:

- 927 x Individual letters/e-mails/completed response forms
- 265 x Standard letters objecting to proposed sites;
- 4 x Petitions objecting to proposed sites.

3.39 All comments have been reviewed and have informed the drafting of the Publication version of the Local Plan (Regulation 19 version). A separate 2018 Consultation Summary report has also been published as part of the Regulation 19 stage.

3.40 The consultation approach and responses are summarised as follows with some examples shown in Appendix 4:

- Meetings with the Mayor and Portfolio Holders
- Meetings or arranged telephone updates with Ward Members
- Visited Town and Parish Councils
- Site notices were posted outside each of the proposed sites
- Social media articles
- Letters sent via e-mail to everyone on the Local Plan database whose shown interest in planning
- Attended and presented at Property and Developer Forum
- Updated Council web pages
- Contacted via e-mail libraries, Volunteer (third Sector) organisations
- Consultation booklet issued, in plain English to help the public and wider audience understand the Local Plan and its requirements
- Press release

3.41 The consultation responses received related to the following areas:

* Vision & Objectives – 91 separate consultees commented on the draft Vision & Objectives for the local plan. Most people are broadly supportive and some suggested relatively minor tweaks to improve their clarity/focus.

* Draft Policies - 142 separate consultees commented on the 73 draft local plan policies making around 750+ separate comments. The policies that attracted the highest number of comments being (Policy 2: Spatial Strategy and Settlement Hierarchy x 66 comments; Policy 3: Level and Distribution of Growth x 58 comments; Policy 6: Housing Allocations x 39 comments; and, Policy 29: Open Space Provision in New Developments x 32 comments). Every policy received at least one comment.
* Proposed/Rejected Sites – This was the part of the consultation that by far attracted the highest level of response. Around 590 people made comments in respect to housing sites, and around 190 people commented in respect to employment sites:

* Housing - The vast majority of the responses to the consultation were from our residents and communities and focussed on proposed housing sites and are generally raising objections for various reasons which have been summarised. The summary focuses on the sites which received the highest numbers of responses, although as with planning applications, it is not the number of responses received but the material planning considerations raised that influence on whether changes to the plan should be made. It should be noted that some of the objections do not relate to material planning matters but have still been summarised and set out as they are nevertheless important issues and concerns for people locally.

3.42 The industry, as well as some of the statutory consultees, in particular also raised a number of suggestions for revisions to the draft policies to either help improve their clarity/interpretation or to align better with NPPF (which was republished in 2018 and the consultation draft policies were very much drafted to the 2012 version). The industry queried some policies that could have impacts on viability of schemes coming forward.

3.43 There were a number of comments in respect to the settlement strategy and distribution of housing around the borough with calls for different approaches to be taken especially from the development industry where particular sites were not being supported. The industry also generally called for a higher housing requirement (1073) rather than the 920 dpa as per the consultation (and previous consultations on the local plan). Some agents even went further to suggest their own objectively assessed housing need methodology/requirement. Residents and local communities often queried whether there was a need to be building as much housing as the consultation proposed;

3.44 There were a number of individual responses (including the Thorne & Moorends Neighbourhood Plan Group) to the consultation objecting to the emerging Local Plan and its policy approach to future housing development at Thorne-Moorends and that avoidance of flood risk should not lead to a lower scale of growth to the towns.

3.45 In general, objections have been received to virtually all the proposed housing sites on land currently designated as Green Belt or Countryside, although other urban sites have also attracted objections including sites already allocated for housing in the Unitary Development Plan and Brownfield sites. Many also felt that there were better sites elsewhere in the borough that should be allocated first before the sites subject to the consultation, including Brownfield sites before Green Belt/Countryside/Greenfield;

3.46 One of the reoccurring themes through the responses from our local communities and Town and Parish Councils was whether the capacity of the borough’s infrastructure (especially schools, GPs, drainage, and highways) is adequate to accommodate the scale of growth/individual sites being proposed.
3.47 There were relatively few comments in relation to the proposed employment sites with the exception of both the proposed (Ref: 160 Bradholme) and rejected (Ref: 001 Thorne North J6) sites at Thorne. 18 people commented on the supporting Sustainability Appraisal Report, including all of the Statutory Consultees. Other evidence base documents also attracted a number of people commenting, including the Green Belt Review (61 people), Economic Forecasting & Housing Needs Report (44 people) and Settlement Background Paper (42 people). Some of the comments suggested that parts of the evidence base (such as the viability testing) were getting too old and needed to be updated, including to reflect changes to NPPF/PPG in 2018.

3.48 A full summary of the consultation comments has been published alongside the Publication (Regulation 19) version of the Local Plan.

4.  Key Issues

4.1 The SCI (Table 1: Key Stages of the Local Plan Making Process, page 4) sets out the requirements for the different stages of plan preparation. Stage 2, Preparation of the Local Plan (Regulation 18) stated that the Council should inform stakeholders and the public the Local Plan is being produced and ask for views on the scope of the Plan. That evidence base and representations from stages then assist in the production of the publication of the Draft Local Plan.

4.2 The SCI also sets out ‘Method of consultation and engagement’ which outlines that a combination of methods and techniques will be used dependant on the consultation stage.

4.3 Consultation on the Local Plan has been consistent with relevant legislation, guidance and the locally agreed procedures. The Local Plan consultation stages have recognised the challenges of undertaking effective Borough wide consultation and engagement and that of the receiving of feedback.

4.4 Each stage has developed new consultation methods and has had variations in its effectiveness to include all. The reviewed and updated Statement of Community Involvement (July 2015) has enabled the Council to better engage with communities in the plan making process.

5.  Next Stage

5.1 Before submitting the Local Plan to the Secretary of State (The Planning Inspectorate) the Council has now produced a Publication Draft (Regulation 19) in accordance with regulations The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning (England) Regulations 2012.

5.2 The Local Plan sets a vision and a broad spatial planning policy framework for Doncaster Borough (the plan area) up to 2035, as well as the necessary development sites and infrastructure to make this happen. It will be used to make decisions on future planning applications. On adoption it will replace both the Doncaster Unitary Development Plan and Core Strategy. The Publication version is the final version of the Plan before it is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate for an independent examination in public.
5.3 Representation are now invited on the Publication draft Doncaster Local Plan for a period of 7 weeks from Monday 12th August 2019 until 6pm Monday 30th September 2019.

5.4 There has been a considerable number of supporting documents and evidence base reports published, with the Local Plan and copies of the Plan, and other proposed submission documents are available to view on the Council’s website at: http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/local-plan.
Appendix 1 – Call for Sites (October 2014)
Press Release – October 2014

Invite and Agenda of Property Forum November 2014

Invitation to the Doncaster Property Forum
Tuesday 12th November 2014, 8.30am - 10.30am
Diamond Live Lounge, 35-46 Wood Street, Doncaster, DN1 3LH

Business Doncaster is delighted to invite you to the next Doncaster Property Forum. The event will be held in the Diamond Live Lounge, which is located on Wood Street in Doncaster town centre. Please be aware that the venue does not have any car parking, however there are plenty of Pay & Display car parks available nearby. Light refreshments will be served on arrival.

The event has been kindly hosted and sponsored by: 

AGENDA

The event will consist of informal networking and an opportunity to hear presentations from the following people:

John Clements, European Development Director, Veridian
The development of Port, the Strategic Intermodal Logistics Park

Neil Firth, Head of Transport and Accessibility, Doncaster Council
Update on FARRRS Project (Finningley And Rassington Regeneration Route Scheme)

Nicola Ward, Principal Planner, Doncaster Council
Local Plan and “call for sites” - the Local Planning Authority are preparing a Local Plan. The first part of this process is to ask for developers, land owners etc to put forward any new development sites that they wish to be included in the plan.

For further information, please contact Ian Guy on 01302 737447, 07881 854703 or email Ian.Guy@doncaster.gov.uk

Please click on the “Accept” or “Decline” buttons to indicate whether you are able to attend the event. Thank you.
Business Doncaster Newsletter – November 2014

Welcome to the latest in-Sight, bringing you all the latest news and events from Doncaster and the surrounding areas. If you have any information you would like to share with us, please contact Heather Hamilton at Business Doncaster on 01302 736653 or email heather.hamilton@doncaster.gov.uk.

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Latest news from the Business Doncaster team

Read all about it!.....

Business Month and Business Showcase 2015 - The much awaited Business Showcase returns to Doncaster Racecourse on Thursday, 26th Feb 2015 from 10am - 4pm as part of our second Business Month. This event now in it’s 6th year promises to be bigger and better than ever before. For further information on Business Month events or to book your stand - Read more...

Netto store opens in Doncaster this week: The store, based on Thorne Road retail park, Edenthorpe, opened it’s doors to the public at 9.30am today (November 27) - Read more... today

Festive parking boost for Doncaster shoppers: Shoppers in Doncaster have been handed an early Christmas present - free festive parking - Read more...

Rail firm creates 37 new jobs thanks to grant funding: Almost 40 new jobs have been created at a Doncaster rail firm, thanks to a grant from the Sheffield City Region Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) - Read more...

ACA+I expand with new offices in Doncaster: Alessandro Caruso Architecture and Interiors Ltd (ACA+I), based in Beverley, have now secured an office base in Thorne, Doncaster Read more...

Pub development at Doncaster’s Thorne Park set to create 45 jobs: Building work has started on the site of The King’s Chamber pub at Thorne Park in Doncaster. This is the first building to commence in phase two of the regionally significant 20 acre mixed use development located at junction 6 of the M18, being brought forward by Henry Boot Developments Ltd - Read more...

Deadline extended - Call for sites for new Local Plan: Do you have land that might be suitable to help regenerate Doncaster? If yes, then Doncaster Council have extended the ‘Call for sites’ deadline for our new Local Plan until 3rd December - Read more...

Plans for a Doncaster industrial scheme could generate 250 new jobs: Plans to regenerate 6.3 acres of industrial land in Doncaster could generate 250 new jobs - Read more...

World’s largest aircraft arrives in Yorkshire: The world’s largest aircraft made a flying visit to Yorkshire as it flew into Robin Hood Airport Doncaster Sheffield on an operational cargo mission - Read more...

Social Media Extracts

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Appendix 2 – Issues and Options (July 2015)

Team Doncaster Workshop – 15th July 2015

Doncaster MBC Home Page news article – 22nd July 2015

Have you had your say on Doncaster's Local Plan?

Public consultation is underway on Doncaster’s new ‘Local Plan’ which will help decide what is developed and where in Doncaster over the next 30 years.

Feedback is being sought on recent planning documents and input from residents, businesses and organisations will help shape where growth in the borough should be directed.

The Doncaster Local Plan Vision, Aims & Objectives document sets out what we want Doncaster to be like in the future and the issues that will shape the new document. It sets out what we need to plan for and take into account in the Local Plan. It also includes three local policies, which ensure, for example, that transport infrastructure is included in decisions on where new homes and businesses are built.

The Local Plan, which is a key part of the Core Strategy, will guide new development and business investment in Doncaster and help to make decisions on where new homes and businesses are built. It will also ensure that the needs of our local communities are met and that the town’s green and open spaces are protected.

Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Development, Cllr Joe Blackham, said: “It’s really important that those who live in or visit Doncaster are involved in the Local Plan, as it will be shaped by your ideas and development approach for the future. It will shape the future of Doncaster, determine what land can be used for across the borough.

“Your views are vital to us and will help shape the Local Plan. Please take part in the consultation and let us know what you think.”

Visit Doncaster Council’s website for more information and to have your say at www.doncaster.gov.uk/LocalPlan before 7 September. Visit Local Plan and please have your say by 7 September.

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Business Doncaster News article – July 2015

Have your say on Doncaster planning decisions

Published 16 July 2015

Residents and businesses are being encouraged to have their say on future planning decisions in Doncaster as part of a public consultation process.

The consultation on Doncaster’s new Local Plan will help decide what is developed and where in Doncaster over the next 30 years.

From new housing developments to transport schemes, residents can have their say as part of the process.

The Local Plan will guide new development and business investment in Doncaster and help to make decisions on where development will be located, how infrastructure is designed and delivered, where new public spaces are created and how land is used and managed.

Executive Director of Regeneration and Transportation, councillor Sean Beattie, said: “I’m really excited that local people have a clear view of the Local Plan, as it will be essential to our planning and development approach in the coming years.

“I urge everyone to visit our website and give us their feedback before September 1. This is your chance to have your say on what is important for the future.

“The Doncaster Way Plan: Vision, Aims and Objectives document sets out where Doncaster could be by 2035.

“I also encourage all those that are interested in the Local Plan, to visit the consultation documents on the Local Plan, please visit www.doncaster.gov.uk/LP.

“The Doncaster Local Plan Consultation Workshop on Wednesday 28th July to open

- 10am to 12pm at Town Hall, New Street, Doncaster

“I encourage everyone to visit our website and give us your feedback before September 1. This is your chance to have your say on what is important for the future.

Doncaster CVS Web site article – July 2015

Consultation begins on Doncaster Local Plan

Published 16 July 2015

Public consultation has begun on Doncaster’s new Local Plan which will help decide what is developed and where in Doncaster over the next 30 years.

From high-rise developments to major transport schemes, the Local Plan will help to shape development in Doncaster and will guide new development and business investment in Doncaster.

The Local Plan sets out the vision and objectives of Doncaster Council for the next 30 years, while new transport schemes are needed and which parts of the borough are protected as open space and countryside.

The Local Plan consultation will be held on Doncaster CVS website and is open to all those interested in the future of Doncaster.

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To view the consultation documents on the Local Plan, please visit www.doncaster.gov.uk/LP.
Formal Press Notice – Thursday 16 July 2016 (Doncaster Star)

Social Media extracts

Doncaster Council Planning Services
13 July 2016

The first stages of Doncaster's Local Plan public consultation starts today. How do you want Doncaster to shape over the next 15-20 years? The Local Plan, supersedes the Core Strategy, will guide new development and business investment in Doncaster and help to make decisions on where new homes are built, where business developments can take place, what new transport schemes are needed and which parts of the borough are protected as open space and countryside. We are asking your views on our Issues and Options and Vision, Aims and Objectives. For more information please visit our website:
http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/local-plan

Doncaster Council - Local Plan

The emerging DONCASTER LOCAL PLAN will replace the adopted Unitary Development Plan and Local Development Framework.

#LocalPlan @TeamDoncaster1 Thinking about Issues and Options for growth in Doncaster over next 20yrs - Have Your Say doncaster.gov.uk/services/plann...

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Appendix 3 - Homes and Settlements and Updated Sustainability Appraisal (March 2016)

DMBC Consultation Letter – March 2016

Doncaster Local Plan Homes and Settlements paper and Sustainability Appraisal of Doncaster’s Growth Options

Doncaster Council is preparing a new Local Plan that will have a big influence on the amount and location of new development across the borough in the period up to 2032. We recently consulted on the ‘Vision, Aims and Objectives’ and the ‘Issues and Options’ which were a key stage in the process of preparing the Local Plan. These were mainly concerned with where, in broad terms, new development should be located across the borough.

The Council is now consulting on two documents and are available to view and download from the Council’s website via www.doncaster.gov.uk/localplan:

- **Homes and Settlements paper** – This sets out the proposed number of new homes we are planning (both open market and affordable housing) and their proposed distribution across Doncaster’s towns and villages.
- **Updated Sustainability Appraisal of Doncaster’s Growth Options and Scoping Report** – The Council is also consulting on its updated Sustainability Appraisal of Doncaster’s Growth Options which includes an assessment of the Homes and Settlement paper. The Scoping Report is also updated and should be read in conjunction with the Appraisal.

We are also publishing a number of evidence base documents:

- Doncaster Green Belt Review (December 2015)
- Employment Land Need Assessment 2015
- Employment Land Availability (31st March 2015)
- Residential Land Availability (31st March 2015)
- Level 1 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (November 2015)
- Draft Revised Vision, Aims and Objectives (March 2016)

The consultation period will run for 6 weeks and is part of our continuous ongoing engagement. The consultation runs until 5pm Monday 18 April 2016 and we welcome comments via the response form available to download and return to info@doncaster.gov.uk. Although our preferred method for receiving any responses is via completion of this form (as per the MS Word document rather than PDFs) the Council will also accept comments via post to: Civic Office, Waterdale, Doncaster, DN1 3EU. Please note that all responses received to this consultation will be made public in due course.

Yours faithfully,
Welcome to the 2nd edition of our Local Plan Bulletin. We are now entering a very busy and important time in the preparation of Doncaster’s Local Plan. The next few months are important opportunities for consultation and engagement for you to be involved in.

The new Local Plan for Doncaster will supersede the Core Strategy and Unitary Development Plan. The Local Plan will set out proposals for new development and policies to guide planning applications and to protect areas from development because of their environmental, social and/or economic value. These policies and proposals will be shown on a Policies Map of the borough.

Public Consultation – 7th March – 18th April 2016

We’re consulting on the Homes and Settlements aspects of the Local Plan. This sets out the proposed number of new homes we’re planning (both open market and affordable housing) and their proposed distribution across Doncaster’s towns and villages. It will set out how we intend to meet the needs of the existing population and those needs that are dependent upon new jobs growth.

We’re also consulting on an Updated Sustainability Appraisal of Doncaster’s Growth Options and Scoping Report. This summarises the main issues and challenges facing the borough based on the latest baseline evidence and includes a review of the plans and programmes in preparation for the Publication of the Local Plan. The Scoping Report is also updated and should be read in conjunction with the appraisal.

A partial update to the Housing Need Assessment 2015 is being undertaken. This will not affect the conclusions about the overall need for new housing in Doncaster (920 new homes per year) but it will update the position in respect of affordable housing need. An updated Gypsy and Traveller Needs Assessment is also being carried out.

Visit our webpage for more information www.doncaster.gov.uk/localplan

The Council has had an independent Green Belt Review carried out. So far this has established that Doncaster’s Green Belt continues to fulfil its intended role but that there is no case for extending the Green Belt into the east of the borough where the countryside protection policies continue to work very well. Site-specific work is on-going; this will look at the implications for the Green Belt of taking any land out for new homes and jobs.

We’ve published the summaries from the Vision, Aims and Objectives and Issues and Options which took place last summer. This is where we invited you to give your views and preferences on how much growth and development we should plan for over the next 15 years. As a result we received an overwhelming 500+ responses, from Survey Monkey/e-mail/letter.
Social Media extracts

Doncaster Council Planning Services
9 March 2016

Until 18th April 2016 you can have your say on our suggested proposals: Homes & Settlements paper sets outs proposed number of new homes we are planning and their proposed distribution across towns and villages.
http://doncaster.gov.uk/?...homes-settlements-and-updated-sus...

Doncaster Planning @DMBCPlanning · Mar 9, 2016

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Homes and Settlements Consultation (March 2016) - ...
The consultation has now closed on these two documents which form part of our continuous ...
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Doncaster Planning @DMBCPlanning · Mar 9, 2016

Now consulting on Homes & Settlements for future growth and distribution & revised SAs. For more info

Doncaster Planning @DMBCPlanning · Apr 18, 2016

Thanks to everyone who’s responded to our consultation. We’ll assess all your responses and publish our #LocalPlan later this year.
Appendix 4 - Local Plan Draft Policies and Proposed Sites (September - October 2018)

Emailed letter to all who wish to be kept informed of Local Plan

Dear Sir / Madam

A new Local Plan for Doncaster

We are preparing a new Local Plan to shape how Doncaster develops: how we want it to look and feel; and the policies and proposals needed to guide development to the right places whilst protecting and improving the environment and people’s quality of life.

The Local Plan is used to decide planning applications and guide investment in the Borough. It delivers the new homes, businesses, jobs, shops and infrastructure needed over the next 15 years. It will replace the 1998 Unitary Development Plan and 2012 Core Strategy.

We want to know what you think

Please help us shape the Plan because it is important – it affects many aspects of people’s lives. Before the more formal stages of Plan preparation, when it becomes harder to have an influence, we want your views.

We are however not starting from scratch – consultations have already taken place. We also do not have free reign to decide the Local Plan – it must comply with the law and Government policy.

All the consultation documents and further information, including on earlier consultations, is available at: [http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/localplan). A consultation booklet summarises what we are consulting on – which includes draft Policies (to decide planning applications) and proposed Sites (for new housing, employment and other uses).

Please respond using the Response Form on the web site by 5pm XXXXXX 2018.

Yours sincerely

Jane Stimpson

Planning Environment Manager and interim Planning Policy Manager

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Planning Policy:
Civic Office, Doncaster Council, Waterdale, Doncaster, DN1 3BU
Example of Site Notice posted near to every site drafted as Proposed

Public Consultation - Doncaster Local Plan
Consultation ends Friday 26th October 2018

Proposed housing site: 940
Site 1, Land East of Poplars Farm, Hurst Lane

Indicative number of new homes: Site A – 280, Site B – Up to 920 (conditionally and subject to job creation at the Airport – see Draft Local Plan Policy 7)

THIS IS NOT A PLANNING APPLICATION

This site is proposed as a housing site for allocation in the Doncaster Local Plan being prepared to help decide what is developed and where in Doncaster up to 2032.

We want to know what you think. You can comment by:

- scanning the QR code above using your mobile phone OR
- visiting www.doncaster.gov.uk/localplan OR
- by post to: Local Plans Team, Civic Office, Waterdale, Doncaster, DN1 3BU

Further information, supporting evidence & response form is on the website.

Any questions? email localplan@doncaster.gov.uk / telephone 01302 734419.

Computers are available at Civic Offices and Libraries (if required)
Please note all consultation responses will be made available on the Council’s website
Photographs of examples where Site Notices has been posted on/near to site
Help shape Doncaster’s future

Local residents can shape the future of Doncaster as consultation begins on a new ‘Local Plan’.

The Local Plan will help decide what is developed and where in Doncaster over the next 15 years. It will guide developments in the right places, protect and improve the environment and enhance people’s quality of life.

It will help make decisions on where new homes are built, where business developments can take place, what new transport schemes are needed and which parts of the borough stay as open space and countryside.

Cllr Chris McGuinness, Cabinet Member for Communities and Environment, said:

“The Local Plan is crucial for determining the look and feel of Doncaster in the future. It will steer investment and business into the right parts of the borough to create new jobs. It will encourage new homes to go up where they are needed and it will protect and enhance our natural environment and countryside making Doncaster a truly great place to live and work.”

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Doncaster Planning @DMBCPlanning · Oct 2, 2018
Local Plan update to @DonComProp this morning. Have your say. Consultation out now on future Planning policies and proposed sites for future development. doncaster.gov.uk/services/plann...

Don Com Prop @DonComProp · Oct 2, 2018
Our next speaker Jane Stimpson. Planning Policy and Environment Manager @DMBCPlanning is providing an update on the Local Plan in doncasterisgreat

Efficiency North @EfficiencyNorth · Oct 2, 2018
Great to be at Doncaster Property Forum to hear @DMBCPlanning’s Jane Stimson on the Emerging Local Plan which will shape the future of @MyDoncaster’s ambitious 920 a year new build housing programme doncasterisgreat
Thanks Doncaster Council! Yes there are lots of documents and information available, but simply all we want is your views and comments... localplan@doncaster.gov.uk

Doncaster Council
29 September 2018

CALLING ALL DONCASTER RESIDENTS 🐀

Have you ever thought about...

Where new houses will be built in Doncaster over the next 15 years?

... See more

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We are preparing a new Local Plan to shape how Doncaster...

60
People reached

40
Engagements

Boost Unavailable

Doncaster Planning @DMBCPlanning · Oct 16, 2018
The deadline to “have your say” on Doncaster’s Local Plan is 5pm Friday 26th October. Find out more about future housing 🏡, economic growth 📈, and mineral sites 🚭, where you are 🏡. doncaster.gov.uk/localplan

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