

# **Draft Test Valley Local Plan 2020 – 2040**

## **Statement of Consultation**

### **(Regulation 18, Stage 2)**

January 2024

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# 1. Introduction

- 1.1 This Statement of Consultation has been prepared in accordance with Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012, which sets out specific bodies and persons which must be consulted by a Local Planning Authority (LPA) during the preparation of their Local Plan.
- 1.2 This statement, which should be read in conjunction with the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)<sup>1</sup>, sets out the details of the public consultation which has been undertaken, and will explain how the responses received have been taken into account in the preparation of the Local Plan. In addition, this statement will outline the statutory and non-statutory bodies and persons which have been invited to comment on the Local Plan and associated evidence documents. This statement will also set out the methods of consultation which have been used to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to contribute.
- 1.3 The Regulations requires Local Planning Authorities, when submitting their development plan document to the Secretary of State, to submit a statement setting out the following:
- 1) Which bodies and persons the local planning authority invited to make representations under Regulation 18, How those bodies and persons were invited to make representations under Regulation 18,
  - 2) A summary of the main issues raised by representations made pursuant to Regulation 18,
  - 3) How any representations made pursuant to Regulation 18 have been taken into account,
  - 4) If representations were made pursuant to Regulation 20, the number of representations made, and a summary of the main issues raised in those representations.
- 1.4 The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) sets out how the Council will involve and consult the public, businesses, and interest groups on planning matters – this includes planning policy and the planning application process. The Council is legally obliged to comply with its SCI. The Council's Cabinet adopted the SCI in January 2023, following a period of public consultation.
- 1.5 The general principles of consultation which are adhered to throughout the SCI give residents the tools to participate in the planning process by supporting

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<sup>1</sup> [Statement of Community Involvement \(SCI\) 2017.pdf \(itss.local\)](#)

residents and providing open access to the information held by the council. In turn, this leads to a transparent decision-making process where the involvement of the residents is both an integral step and is evident in the formalised policies.

- 1.6 Coronavirus (COVID-19) has had a profound impact on countries around the world. The initial peak of COVID-19 was experienced by the UK in spring 2020. It has directly affected people and communities across Test Valley and remains an ongoing concern. The Council continues to play a critical role by working with its partners to deliver essential services. This means taking stock of the different ways in which Test Valley's neighbourhoods, communities and local economy have been (and may continue to be) affected. The ways in which we engage have also been impacted by this and has been reflected in the SCI 2023.

## 2. Local Plan: Process so far

2.1 The Test Valley Local Plan provides a policy framework for the delivery of sustainable development across the borough. This plan will replace the existing revised Local Plan 2016 on adoption and look ahead to 2040. The plan will set out the Boroughs needs by identifying the number of new homes and jobs to be provided in the area for the plan period. The plan will also make provision for retail, and commercial development and for the infrastructure needed to support them.

2.2 The Local Plan will include objectives which align with the council's vision as set out in the Corporate Plan<sup>2</sup> 'creating a Test Valley community where everyone has the opportunity to fulfil their potential and enjoy a good quality of life'.

There are a number of stages involved in the preparation of a local plan, as follows:

Issues and Options (2018 Q3)

Refined Issues and Options (2020 Q2)

Consultation on Regulation 18, Stage 1 (2022 Q1)

Consultation on Regulation 18, Stage 2 (2024 Q1) (current stage)

Publication of the draft Local Plan (regulation 19) and Consultation (2025 Q1)

Submission (2025 Q2)

Examination (2025 Q3)

Adoption by Council (2026 Q2)

2.3 There are procedural requirements that the Council is required to comply with throughout. These stages and requirements are prescribed by national policy and legislation. This includes the undertaking of number of rounds of public consultation before a draft local plan can be submitted to the Secretary of State for independent public examination, as set out above.

2.4 This document is published alongside the Local Plan as part of the statutory public consultation (Regulation 18, stage 2). It sets out the main issues for the new Local Plan and possible options to address these, including our preferred policy approaches at this time.

2.5 Public consultation and stakeholders engagement has been important in shaping the Local Plan changes. All written consultation responses of residents,

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<sup>2</sup> [Growing Our Potential - the Corporate Plan 2019-23 | Test Valley Borough Council](#)

businesses and other stakeholders were taken into account and influenced the scope of changes.

- 2.6 Government Regulations require us to ensure that certain organisations (known as Specific Consultation Bodies) are consulted at key stages during the preparation of the Local Plan. It is considered that this takes account of the Council's Statement of Community Involvement in Planning 2017 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) [S.I.2012 No.767]. Consultation was undertaken in accordance with this, a full list of those bodies that were sent notification of public consultation can be found within Appendix 1.

### 3. Issues and Options Public Consultation

3.1 The Issues and Options consultation was the first borough-wide public consultation undertaken by the Council with regard to the preparation of the new Local Plan. The consultation ran for a ten-week period from 6 July to 14 September 2018 and was non-statutory.

3.2 The Issues and Options consultation<sup>3</sup> aimed to get views on the issues that face the borough, and those that live and work in Test Valley will face, and the options for how best we deal with them. This includes how much development we should plan for and where it should go. It was not about identifying possible sites for development at this stage.

3.3 This first stage set out the main issues facing the borough, with reference to the following four main themes:

- 1) Living in Test Valley
- 2) Working in Test Valley
- 3) Enjoying Test Valley
- 4) Infrastructure in Test Valley

3.4 Engagement Methods used for Public Consultation:

- Electronic copy of consultation document and associated documents on the Council's website.
- Hard copies of main consultation document and any key associated documents for reference use at Council Offices at Beech Hurst, Andover and Former Magistrates Court, Romsey during office opening hours:  
Monday – Thursday (8:30am – 5pm)  
Friday (8:30am – 4:30pm)
- Electronic and hard copies of main consultation document and any key associated documents for reference use at local libraries in Andover, Romsey, North Baddesley, Chandler's Ford and Lordshill.
- Notification emails/letters to Specific Consultation Bodies upon commencement of consultation.
- Notification emails/letters to those who are registered on the Keep Informed database (see 3.5).
- A statutory notice was placed within the Hampshire Independent which went public on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018, Andover Advertiser on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018 and within the Romsey Advertiser which was also 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018. The statutory notice provided details of the representation procedure and how to access the

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<sup>3</sup> [Local Plan Issues and Options FINAL \(2\).pdf \(itss.local\)](#)

document and relevant supporting documents.

- Response Form
- Community Planning Workshop<sup>4</sup>  
4<sup>th</sup> October 2017 to set out what the Council, as Local Planning Authority, was required to do, what evidence would be needed and the ways in which parishes can have an active role. It covered: housing, environment, jobs and business, and transport, infrastructure, and community.
- Parish Council briefing session<sup>5</sup>  
11<sup>th</sup> June 2018 to feedback on how the issues raised at previous events were to be included in the Issues and Options document, in advance of its consideration at Cabinet and Full Council.

- 3.5 The Council maintains a 'Keep Informed Database' of individuals, groups, stakeholders and statutory consultees who we contact on Local Plan matters. Individuals can register their contact details i.e., email address or by postal address if an email address is not available. These individuals were also invited to make representations.
- 3.6 Government Regulations require us to ensure that certain organisations (known as Specific Consultation Bodies) are consulted at key stages during the preparation of the Local Plan. It is considered that this takes account of the Council's Statement of Community Involvement in Planning 2017 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) [S.I.2012 No.767]. Consultation was undertaken in accordance with this, a full list of those bodies that were sent notification of public consultation can be found in the published Consultation Statement<sup>6</sup>.
- 3.7 Responses to the consultation could be received by either post or email. Officers were on-hand during normal working hours throughout the consultation to respond to queries via phone and email and assist respondents in any way necessary.
- 3.8 There were 140 respondents to the Issues and Options consultation including from Parish Councils, Key Stakeholders, Members of the Public, Community Organisations, and other interested parties. Officers reviewed all responses and summarised the issues raised providing response to each comment raised. A Schedule of Comments<sup>7</sup> was created and published on the Council's website.

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<sup>4</sup> [171004 Community Planning Workshop - All Documents](#)

<sup>5</sup> [180611 Parish Council briefing - All Documents](#)

<sup>6</sup> [Issues and Options Consultation Statement](#)

<sup>7</sup> [pp1\\_2\\_181211 Issues and Options Schedule of Comments.pdf \(itss.local\)](#)



3.9 The Council officers summarised the main issues under the four key themes at this stage and an Executive Summary<sup>8</sup> was produced and published.

3.10 The results of the responses to the Issues and Options consultation helped us to better understand what our communities see as the key planning issues going forward. The feedback received was taken into account and used to inform the Refined Issues and Options consultation, which built upon the key headlines of the responses and how these could be addressed through the overall strategy and priorities of the next Local Plan, and in its specific policies and proposals.

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<sup>8</sup> [Executive summary](#)

## 4. Refined Issues and Options Public Consultation

4.1 In the summer of 2020, we held the second stage of public consultation; Refined Issues and Options. The consultation ran for an eight-week period from 3rd July to 28th August 2020 and was non-statutory.<sup>9</sup>

4.2 Following the first consultation step in 2018, this Refined Issues and Options stage built on the initial responses to give further guidance on the direction that the council will be taking, moving forward. It also outlined the issues that we will be focusing on in preparing for the next Local Plan.

4.3 The four themed chapters of the document reflect the priorities of the Corporate Plan and other key projects. They use similar headings to those of the previous Issues and Options document consultation.

- Living in Test Valley (Housing and Communities)
- Working in Test Valley (Town Centres and Local Economy)
- Enjoying Test Valley (Environment and Quality of Life)
- Infrastructure and Community Facilities

4.4 As a non-statutory 'stepping stone' stage this document set out:

- What has happened recently and what is currently underway which is of relevance.
- Headline feedback from Issues and Options consultation (held in 2018).
- The issues which we will be focusing on in preparing the next Local Plan. This includes meeting housing need, addressing climate change, and supporting the economy.

4.5 Engagement Methods used for Public Consultation:

- Electronic copy of consultation document and associated documents on the Council's website.
- Hard copies of main consultation document and any key associated documents for reference use at Council Offices at Beech Hurst, Andover and Former Magistrates Court, Romsey during office opening hours:  
Monday – Thursday (8:30am – 5pm)  
Friday (8:30am – 4:30pm)
- Electronic and hard copies of main consultation document and any key associated documents for reference use at local libraries in Andover, Romsey, North Baddesley, Chandler's Ford and Lordshill.

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<sup>9</sup> [LP Issues and options 2020 A4L v6 FINAL \(3\).pdf \(itss.local\)](#)

- Notification emails/letters to Specific Consultation Bodies upon commencement of consultation.
- Notification emails/letters to those who are registered on the Keep Informed database (see 4.6).
- A statutory notice was placed within the Hampshire Independent which went public on 3rd July 2020, Andover Advertiser on 3rd July 2020 and within the Romsey Advertiser which was also 3rd July 2020. The statutory notice provided details of the representation procedure and how to access the document and relevant supporting documents.
- Response Form

4.6 Government Regulations require us to ensure that certain organisations (known as Specific Consultation Bodies) are consulted at key stages during the preparation of the Local Plan. It is considered that this takes account of the Council's Statement of Community Involvement in Planning 2017 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) [S.I.2012 No.767]. Consultation was undertaken in accordance with this.

4.7 The COVID-19 global pandemic arose at the beginning of 2020, during the time of the consultation. The country went into a national lockdown on 23 March 2020 and due to Covid-19 restrictions, and ultimately the consultation methods set out in the SCI were not an option during this period. In June 2020, the Council's Cabinet resolved to revise the Statement of Community Involvement to add an Addendum<sup>10</sup>. This relates to temporary revised consultation arrangements that are to apply whilst coronavirus restrictions are in place. The addendum is available alongside the SCI<sup>11</sup> and sets out the revised arrangements which comprise:

*Unable to be undertaken:*

- *Provide hard copies for reference purposes at council offices and local libraries.*
- *Attend face to face meetings.*
- *Hold exhibitions and workshops.*

*Additional or enhanced consultation methods to be undertaken:*

- *Use of social media.*
- *Use of digital and virtual tools (where possible).*

<sup>10</sup> [SCI Addendum \(June 2020\) \(2\).pdf \(itss.local\)](#)

<sup>11</sup> [Statement of Community Involvement \(SCI\) 2017 \(1\).pdf \(itss.local\)](#)

- *Contact with community and voluntary groups supporting the vulnerable or those self-isolating and shielding.*
- *The period of public consultation will also be extended beyond the minimum periods set out in this document.*

4.8 Responses to the consultation could be received by post or via email. Officers were on-hand during normal working hours throughout the consultation to respond to queries via phone and email and assist respondents in any way necessary.

4.9 There were 156 respondents to the Refined Issues and Options consultation including Parish Councils, Key Stakeholders, Members of the Public, Community Organisations, and other interested parties. Officers reviewed all responses and summarised the issues raised providing response to each comment raised. A Schedule of Comments has been created and is published as an Appendix to this Statement.

4.10 The outcome of the consultation has informed the next draft Local Plan Preferred Approach (Regulation 18) consultation, which will set out the Council's future vision and strategy for the Borough, the overall scale of development, proposed locations for development allocations, and policies which will be used in determining planning applications. The key issues listed in Chapter 5 have been used to inform the priorities and objectives of the next stage of the Local Plan.

## 5. Key Issues Raised from Refined Issues and Options

5.1 All the representations received from this stage of consultation were summarised, considered and, where relevant, have influenced the draft Local Plan. All representations made are available to view on the Council's website.

5.2 The keys issues identified within this chapter are representative of the themes raised multiple times within the comments. We have grouped the consultation responses by general and the four main consultation themes in which is continued in this Statement. The most prevalent include:

### 5.3 **General**

- The proposed Local Plan timetable seems protracted. The Plan should be prepared and adopted sooner than the timetable set out to ensure Test Valley has an up-to-date plan.
- Support for key theme of Climate Change mitigation and resilience being central to the Local Plan.
- Tackling climate change needs to be addressed by Local Plan policies, in order to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to increase resilience to flooding and climate change (examples given include nature-based solutions and planting, higher standards of thermal and energy efficiency in building, renewable energy generation, support for sustainable transport, increased electric vehicle charging, and reducing private car usage).
- Welcome the viability and vitality of the Borough's town centres being a priority for the Local Plan.

### 5.4 **Living in Test Valley**

- Meet local housing need in full.
- General support for using standard method to determine housing requirement.
- Take account of cross-boundary issues and consider any unmet housing need from neighbouring authorities and South Hampshire sub-region.
- Meeting need for affordable housing.
- Housing provision in villages and wider distribution of development
- Support for maintaining two separate HMA and based on parishes, but with mixed comments on boundary division between them.

- Support for settlement hierarchy and tiered approach to settlements, but mixed comments on tiers, settlements within them and implications for spatial strategy and distribution of development.
- Support for settlement boundaries.
- Provide for affordable housing to meet local needs by type, affordability and across the Borough.
- Set specific policy provision for self-build and custom build housing, but mixed comments on how this should be formulated including that it should not be more permissive or include additional burdens to general housing.

## 5.5 Working in Test Valley

- Importance of town centres moving away from retail focus in order to adapt but also need to have affordable units to encourage new businesses to create a unique selling point for towns in the Borough.
- Need to encourage opportunities for people to live closer to where they work including new high-density homes within town centre locations and opportunities for mixed uses on new development.
- Need to increase sustainability by encouraging an increase in the amount of walking and cycling between the places where people live and where they work/spend leisure time.
- More needs to be done to promote existing and encourage new wide ranging, innovative tourism within Test Valley including the expansion on pub/B&B/hotel offering. But also need to acknowledge potential negative impacts of increased visitor numbers.
- Need to take account of the environmental impact of economic growth including increased levels of traffic (lorries etc.) economic growth needs to be led by appropriate types of employment which will also grow and support communities which includes supporting new innovative, independent start-up businesses.
- Working from home will increase, need the infrastructure (broadband) to allow this to continue.
- A strong rural economy is considered incredibly important and should be supported, including through re-use of buildings in rural areas (barns).

## 5.6 Enjoying Test Valley

- The importance of the consideration of climate change (mitigation, adaptation & resilience) was highlighted, including in relation to achieving net zero carbon development. There were differing views on the approach to be taken on this matter.
- Importance of our natural environment, including chalk rivers and streams, and water meadows, and the Test Valley landscape (including designated landscapes).
- Secure biodiversity net gain, and ensure ecological networks are not compromised. Promote natural capital considerations and nature-based approaches.
- Need to consider potential impacts on habitats and species, including those subject to designations. This includes in relation to increased nutrient levels in water bodies.
- Development should be in keeping with local character.
- Support for retaining local gaps as a means of avoiding coalescence of settlements / helping to retain identity of settlements (especially rural settlements / villages).
- Importance of access to green space & other open space.
- Encourage the conservation and enhancement of green infrastructure assets and the wider green infrastructure network, recognising opportunities for multiple functions of such provisions.
- Support for additional tree planting, which could include policies on tree canopy cover.
- Water management is an important issue that needs to be appropriately addressed in the Local Plan, including availability of water resources, water quality, flood risk, and adequacy of infrastructure.
- Importance of a positive strategy for the historic environment throughout the whole local plan, not just considered as a standalone topic. This includes strategic policy on the historic environment, supported by development management policies.
- Air quality needs to be considered, including in terms of impacts on ecology.
- Importance of a proportionate and robust evidence base.

## 5.7 Infrastructure and Community Facilities

- Provision of essential infrastructure to support development is crucial including community facilities, green spaces, and infrastructure to support sustainable lifestyles such as pedestrian and cycle networks, public transport and electric vehicle charging points.
- Encourage the use of health modelling tools such as London Health Urban Development Unit, to inform the scale and type of health infrastructure.
- Development should be located and designed to facilitate use of sustainable transport modes and reduce private car journeys for short trips. Getting to key destinations such as town centre or education should be safe, convenient, and accessible, particularly for new development on the edge of towns.
- Avoid material increase on the Strategic Road Network resulting from development unless there are mitigation methods in place.
- Encourage links to long distance cycling and walking routes to enable walking and cycling movement between towns.
- Support for more cycling and pedestrian networks that are segregated from vehicular traffic for the purposes of safety and air quality.
- Important to invest in affordable and reliable public transport including accurate information systems, particularly in rural areas, where there is greater reliance on private car. Reference to supporting rural communities with schemes such as car sharing and on-demand travel.
- Support integration of public transport through the provision of multi-modal hubs.
- Car parking standards in new developments need to be considered to prevent congestions associated with street parking and affects on pedestrians and cyclists.
- Public car parking and associated infrastructure such as electric vehicle charging points should be made more widely available.
- With more working from home, there is a need for better broadband speeds across the Borough.
- Localised flooding likely to become more extreme as a result in climate change. Support for investment in flood defences as well as water management plan which includes consideration of water as a resource rather than just a risk.



- Need to understand how developer contributions such as CIL can be used to support infrastructure.
- Support the approach to jointly prepared evidence base relating to transport infrastructure.

## 6. Regulation 18, Stage 1 Public Consultation

6.1 The Regulation 18 Stage 1 consultation was the first statutory borough-wide public consultation undertaken by the Council with regard to the preparation of the new Local Plan 2040. The consultation ran for an eight-week period from 11 February 2022 to 8 April 2022.

6.2 Engagement Methods used for Public Consultation:

- Electronic copy of consultation document and associated documents on the Council's website.
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- Notification emails/letters to Specific Consultation Bodies upon commencement of consultation. This can be found within Appendix 2.
- Notification emails/letters to those who are registered on the Keep Informed database (see 6.3).
- A statutory notice was placed within the Hampshire Independent which went public on 11<sup>th</sup> February, Andover Advertiser on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022 and within the Romsey Advertiser which was also 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022. The statutory notice provided details of the representation procedure and how to access the document and relevant supporting documents. These notices can be found within Appendix 2.
- Response Form either:  
  
Sent in writing to Planning Policy, Test Valley Borough Council, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, ANDOVER, Hampshire, SP10 3AJ;  
  
Or  
  
Emailed [planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk)
- Survey Monkey .- an online survey that allows respondents to provide comments electronically.

- Posters were created and sent to all Town and Parish Councils to encourage placing these within their areas. The posters included QR code for ease of access to the Local Plan electronically. This can be found within Appendix 2.
- Posters were placed in an empty unit in the Chantry Centre setting out key matters in the Local Plan and how to respond to the consultation.

6.3 The Council maintains a 'Keep Informed Database' of individuals, groups, stakeholders and statutory consultees who we contact on Local Plan matters. Individuals can register their contact details i.e., email address or by postal address if an email address is not available. These individuals were also invited to make representations. These include neighbouring planning authorities (through a process called Duty to Cooperate), Test Valley Councillors, Parish Councils within Test Valley, Environment Agency, utility companies etc.

6.4 Government Regulations require us to ensure that certain organisations (known as Specific Consultation Bodies) are consulted at key stages during the preparation of the Local Plan. It is considered that this takes account of the Council's Statement of Community Involvement in Planning 2017 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) [S.I.2012 No.767]. Consultation was undertaken in accordance with this, a full list of those bodies that were sent notification of public consultation can be found in the published Consultation Statement<sup>12</sup>.

6.5 Responses to the consultation could be received by either post or email. Officers were on-hand during normal working hours throughout the consultation to respond to queries via phone and email and assist respondents in any way necessary.

6.6 Other relevant supporting documents were made available alongside the draft Local Plan including updated evidence base studies. Key accompanying documents were:

- Sustainability Appraisal Report
- Statement of Consultation
- Equalities Impact Assessment
- Health Impact Assessment

## 7. Key Issues Raised from Regulation 18, Stage 1

7.1 All the representations received from this stage of consultation have been summarised, considered and, where relevant, will influence the draft Local Plan. All representations made are available to view on the Council's website.

7.2 The keys issues identified within this chapter are representative of the themes raised multiple times within the comments. We have grouped the consultation responses by the structure of the Local Plan and relevant policies:

### 7.3 **Vision and Objectives**

- Vision - considerable overall support for the Vision, it's content and aspirations.
- Vision does not highlight sufficiently uniqueness of Test Valley's environment, landscape and ecology or the natural capital of the Borough.
- HCC request that Vision includes the aspiration to improve access to countryside.
- Climate Change objective – strong support for this objective at forefront of plan.
- Reference could be made to increasing energy efficiency through development.
- Support reducing emissions and facilitating more sustainable living patterns.
- Support policies to deliver electric vehicle charging infrastructure.
- Importance of flood risk (including groundwater flood risk) linked to climate change.
- Our communities objective – supported.
- Town Centres objective – supported.
- Support for regeneration and aim of supporting vibrancy/resilience.
- Reference to connected green spaces in town centres is good.
- Built, Historic and Natural Environment objective – supported for this objective.
- References to conserving/enhancing special landscape character welcomed.
- Ecology and Biodiversity objective - strong support for this objective.

- References to mitigation for impacts on New Forest and Solent SPA supported.
- Reference/emphasis should be placed on unique chalk streams and river quality in Test Valley as scarce and valuable habitat/ecology.
- Importance of Green Infrastructure highlighted.
- Decline in biodiversity should be highlighted.
- Health, Wellbeing, Culture, Leisure, and Recreation objective – supported.
- Design objective – supported.
- Design important for wellbeing and environment.
- Support for design codes in delivering good design.
- Housing objective – strong support.
- Some concerns about housing figure being too high.
- A number question why housing requirement doesn't reflect unmet need in neighbouring authorities – consider it will be need to higher. It is a starting point.
- Support for providing for a range of housing needs, including affordable provision, and housing for an ageing population, including specialised provision.
- Economy, Employment and Skills objective – supported.
- Should recognise role of Borough in the wider sub region and the Southampton Travel to Work area.
- Should recognise homeworking sector.
- Should mention agriculture and farming.
- Natural capital supports economy, e.g., leisure and tourism.

#### 7.4 **Spatial Strategy**

- Meeting needs of rural areas, and growth in sustainable rural settlements.

- Use of previously developed land (brownfield sites), particularly town centres and accessible locations.
- Relationship between development and location of key infrastructure delivered alongside new development.
- Focus development on sustainable locations taking account of infrastructure, community facilities and public transport accessibility.
- Relationship of parts of the Borough to adjoining settlements/neighbouring local authority areas.
- Reflect principles of NPPF and sustainable development.
- Minimise reliance on private car and maximise alternatives.
- Consider new village.
- Andover and Romsey largest and most sustainable settlements.
- Role of neighbourhood plans and community led.
- Role of smaller sites.

## 7.5 **SSP1 Settlement Hierarchy**

- Support use of settlement hierarchy in line with NPPF.
- Relationships of rural settlements close to larger settlements and sharing facilities.
- Focus development where high levels of public transport.
- Consider frequency of bus services.
- Approach to settlement hierarchy methodology and classification and division of tiers.
- Housing supply and affordability in rural areas.
- Existing services and facilities, versus where new ones could be provided.
- Suitability of list of six facilities classified as key facilities.

- Update list of facilities.
- Provision of housing numbers for individual settlements.
- Rationale for grouping of settlements.
- Relationship of parts of the Borough to adjoining settlements/neighbouring local authority areas.
- Approach to defining settlement boundaries.
- Take account of changes in how people access services e.g. online and working from home, increases importance of broadband.

## 7.6 **SP1 Climate**

- Recognition of challenge associated with climate change and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Need to be in accordance with the prevailing legislation, policy, guidance, and case law at the time.
- Policy should be more strategic in nature, with specific policies to address the matters raised.
- Clarity is required on how the policy will be implemented – does compliance with the criteria represent a sufficient step towards a net zero future?
- Should impose higher standards on new development in the context of declaring a climate emergency.
- Prioritise use of brownfield land and conversion of existing buildings.
- Importance of making space for water, using water efficiently, protecting groundwater, slowing the flow at source, and reducing rainwater getting into the sewer system.
- Role of nature-based solutions, particularly when delivered at a large scale.
- Need specific policy on renewable energy, including in relation to solar farms, to consider matters such as agricultural land and landscape sensitivity.
- Importance of sustainable travel and delivering the infrastructure to enable this, also make sure provisions are made for electric vehicle charging.

- Support for recognition of the importance of ecological networks and green infrastructure – a strategic approach needs to be taken to these matters and needs to be secured along with appropriate long-term management.
- Further consideration needed on the implications on protected nature conservation designations.
- Ensure appropriate targets, indicators and monitoring arrangements established.
- HCC seek to work with TVBC in preparing new policies and strategies in new LP that make a positive impact on the amount of waste generated and the proportions reused, recycled, and composted.
- Challenges around viability and deliverability in implementing higher standards for example as supply chains develop; the policy should be consistent with emerging Building Regulations requirements or consider the RIBA climate challenge stepped targets.

## 7.7 SP2 Design

- Support aims of SP2 Strategic Design policy.
- High-level policy seeking high quality design is supported.
- Further detail needed at next stage, and this is awaited.
- Welcome inclusion of active and sustainable travel in policy. Development should encourage and promote active movement and sustainable travel.
- Policy should also reference PROW networks (HCC, Ramblers).
- Policy should reference relationship of development to strategic recreation/countryside sites (HCC).
- Welcome reference to design principles based on contextual analysis of sites, context and landscape is very important, development and density must reflect local character.
- Support for housing standards for accessible and adaptable homes/housing for life.
- Design should help to reduce opportunities for crime and disorder (Hants Constabulary) and should demonstrate Secured by Design principles.



- Neighbourhood Plans should be taken into account, particularly where they address local design standards, requirements and aspirations.
- Design Codes welcome but the plan must set out what level of information is required for different scales/types of development.
- The role and function of GI and its management - important.
- Public Art should reflect local heritage and values, should be bespoke, can be a waste of resources if not appropriate.
- No mention of water demand reduction and given climate emergency, this should be central, for water conservation and river health reasons. (CPRE).
- Water consumption standards should be included.

### **7.8 SP3 Town Centre – Regeneration of Andover and Romsey**

- Support housing in the town centres.
- Andover Masterplan needs more focus and detail.
- Support for proposed Town Centre policies.
- Facilities need to be accessible and well connected.
- Need flexibility of uses to meet all needs – shops, community facilities, all generations.
- Church Street should be in Zone B.
- Need adequate parking provision for residential development or availability to use TVBC car parks.
- Bus infrastructure / sustainable transport needs to be accessible and better funded.
- More should be made of the Heritage around Andover Square.
- No more development is needed.
- Make better use of / improve the Anton River.

- Concentrate its nitrate capture policy to favour previously used town centre sites.
- Tier 2 and 3 settlement Town Centres should be developed e.g., Stockbridge.
- Town Centre policies need to look 'at least 10 years ahead' as per NPPF.

## 7.9 SP4 Town Centre – Delivering High Quality Development

- Criterion e) amend to "...to minimise opportunities for crime and disorder (anti-social behaviour)."
- Criterion b) shouldn't be used to hinder development. Where design briefs aren't ready, proposals should be determined on their own merits.
- No sites allocated in the Andover Masterplan or Town Centres Topic Paper, so the number of dwellings delivered is unknown at this stage.
- Criterion g) any loss of green space should be re-provided within 0.5 miles.
- Need a Local Green Space policy.
- Historic Andover should be allowed to adapt to changing circumstances.
- Support for footpath and cycle infrastructure and supporting healthy lifestyles.
- Criterion e) amend to "Town Centre development shall be visually attractive and use high quality materials creating welcoming places and enhance a well-connected (in particular by sustainable transport means) functional and high-quality public realm..."
- Criterion h) amend to "contributions should be sort toward the production of high quality strategic integrated public art which will help enrich the quality culture heritage and vibrancy of town centres. Installations will provide in accordance with the Public Art Strategy. Contributions will also be sought where necessary to improve connectivity by active public transport."

## 7.10 SP5 Infrastructure

- Importance of references to the Public Right of Way network.

- Importance of ensuring that wastewater infrastructure is in place, including working with Southern Water.
- Size of new development should take into account facilities needed by new residents.
- Any impacts on the strategic road network as a result of growth are identified and mitigated against as much as reasonably possible.
- Infrastructure should be delivered early in the process.
- Pedestrian and cycle infrastructure should be provided to enhance connectivity between settlements.

### 7.11 SP6 Housing Need

- Viability a consideration for affordable housing, including taking account of development and policy costs.
- Review affordable housing policy thresholds and percentages.
- Importance of meeting level of identified affordable housing need.
- Impact of requirement to provide First Homes on affordable housing policy and for First Home Affordable Housing Exception sites.
- Consider higher housing requirement than Government standard method figure, taking account of affordability, affordable housing need and economic growth.
- Include policy on housing mix and on specialist housing including for older people.
- Include policy on self-build and custom build homes.
- Importance of provision of infrastructure alongside housing.
- Support maintaining two housing market areas and a split housing requirement, but comments on the proposed boundary and proportional split.
- Housing market areas to take account of areas outside of the Borough.
- Consider role and function of individual settlements.

- Unmet housing need in neighbouring authorities should be taken into account, including through Partnership for South Hampshire Statement of Common Ground and Spatial Position Statement.
- Housing provision in the rural area, including figures for individual settlements.
- Role of neighbourhood plans and potential for fallback position if lack of delivery.
- Market housing on Rural Exception Affordable Housing Sites.
- Robustness of supply and amount of housing provision of new allocations required and need range and choice of sites.
- Housing requirement figure should be a minimum and should include a buffer.
- Importance of maintaining housing land supply and trajectory of deliverable sites.
- Need to review existing housing supply.
- Meet 10% of supply on sites of 1 hectare or less.
- Maximise use of previously developed land (brownfield sites).
- Space standards need to be justified and viable.

## 7.12 Environment

- Importance of conserving and enhancing natural, built, and historic environment.
- Maintain local green spaces including around villages and access to the countryside.
- Local gaps valuable tool preventing coalescence of settlements and protecting identity and shaping settlement patterns –support inclusion of local gaps policy in the Local Plan. Support retention of gaps.
- Ensure attainment of biodiversity net gain (BNG), noting awaiting additional detail on provisions from Environment Act 2021 for mandatory BNG, and important to consider as part of viability of the Local Plan. Also consider wider opportunities for environmental gains, including using nature-based solutions.

- Ensure sustain heritage assets, including protecting archaeology.
- Prioritise the use of brownfield land.
- Consider air quality, including the implications of changing air quality on habitats.
- Take account of the potential implications on SSSIs.
- Importance of wildlife connectivity and ecological corridors and networks, with recognition and support for the emerging nature recovery network and Local Nature Recovery Strategy.
- Consider water resources and water quality, ensure adequate water supply, sewer and wastewater treatment capacity is available, recognising there are existing issues in parts of the Borough.
- Consider flood risk, note that urbanisation of land within or close to floodplain may affect water flow rates with detrimental impacts or exacerbate impacts from existing development. Consider role of sustainable drainage systems, with mechanisms for their long-term maintenance.
- Importance of the chalk rivers and watercourses in Test Valley.
- Value of a landscape led approach given the rural nature of the Borough.
- Statutory duty to have regard towards the two statutory National Park purposes, also need to consider implications on the setting.
- Consider approach to protecting and enhancing valued landscapes, including North Wessex Downs National Landscape/AONB.
- Encourage policies on increasing tree canopy cover, potentially with targets.
- Make sure consider green infrastructure and public open space.
- Must have regard to the relevant marine plan and the UK Marine Policy Statement when preparing the Local Plan.
- Cover protection and enhancement of public rights of way.

### 7.13 Meeting our Economic Needs

- Need clear and positive vision and strategy to support local economy.

- Make sufficient provision of employment land to meet needs and a range and choice of supply including review of existing supply.
- Need up to date economic evidence on local, sub-regional and regional needs, reflecting recent events and FEMA, working with neighbouring authorities.
- Take account of needs of particular sectors e.g., logistics.
- Take flexible approach definition of employment uses.
- Align economic growth and need with housing requirement.
- Consider rural economy and land-based industries.
- Importance of tourism to local economy.
- Limitations of methodology which relies on past trends, giving very high future need figures.
- Support further testing of need.
- Employment land should be located where need and demand.
- Potential for mixed use, integrating housing with employment.
- Should allow redevelopment of PDL to support rural economy.
- Need for ambition of skills and training and aim for higher skilled and higher paid jobs.
- Importance of Borough's transport links and well positioned to support economic growth and further employment development.
- Take account of needs of existing businesses

#### **7.14 Sustainability Appraisal**

- Important to ensure SA clearly justifies policy choices, following comparative and equal assessment of reasonable alternatives. Reasons for ruling out options need to be clear and coherent.
- Concerns raised in relation to consideration of spatial approaches and the potential for reasonable alternatives for higher levels of housing growth.

- Take account of the Scoping Report; consider social, economic, and environmental impacts and identify mitigation as appropriate.
- Habitat Regulations Assessment needs to be brought forward as soon as possible, it will need to consider matters including recreational impacts on New Forest designations and implications of traffic emissions.

#### **7.15 Sustainable Transport and Movement**

- Provision of high-quality bus infrastructure.
- Scale of development needed to support bus services.
- Undertake engagement with bus operators.
- Focus public investment on sustainable transport modes.

## 8. Regulation 18, Stage 2 Public Consultation

8.1 The Regulation 18 Stage 2 consultation will be the second statutory borough-wide public consultation undertaken by the Council with regard to the preparation of the new Local Plan. It is proposed the consultation runs for an eight-week period from.

8.2 The draft Local Plan will be supported by an up to date evidence and accompanying documents. The accompanying documents are:

- Sustainability Appraisal Interim Report (January 2024)
- Habitats Regulations Assessment Reports (January 2024)
- Health Impact Assessment (January 2024)
- Equalities Impact Assessment (January 2024)
- Infrastructure Delivery Plan (January 2024)
- Statement of Consultation (January 2024)

8.3 Proposed engagement methods to be used for Public Consultation are as follows:

- Electronic copy of consultation document and associated documents on the Council's website.
- Hard copies of main consultation document and any key associated documents for reference use at Council Offices at Beech Hurst, Andover and Former Magistrates Court, Romsey during office opening hours:  
Monday – Thursday (8:30am – 5pm)  
Friday (8:30am – 4:30pm)
- Electronic and hard copies of main consultation document and any key associated documents for reference use at local libraries in Andover, Romsey, North Baddesley, Chandler's Ford and Lordshill.
- Notification emails/letters to Specific Consultation Bodies upon commencement of consultation.
- Notification emails/letters to those who are registered on the Keep Informed database (see 8.3).
- A statutory notice will be placed within the Hampshire Independent, Andover Advertiser and Romsey Advertiser. The statutory notice will provide details of the representation procedure and how to access the document and relevant supporting documents.
- Response Form



- Survey Monkey – an online survey that allows respondents to provide comments electronically.
- Public Exhibitions

8.4 The Council maintains a 'Keep Informed Database' of individuals, groups, stakeholders and statutory consultees who we contact on Local Plan matters. Individuals can register their contact details i.e., email address or by postal address if an email address is not available. These individuals will be invited to make representations.

8.5 Government Regulations require us to ensure that certain organisations (known as Specific Consultation Bodies) are consulted at key stages during the preparation of the Local Plan. It is considered that this takes account of the Council's Statement of Community Involvement in Planning 2017 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) [S.I.2012 No.767]. Consultation will be undertaken in accordance with this.

8.6 Responses to the consultation can be received by either post or email. Officers will be on-hand during normal working hours throughout the consultation to respond to queries via phone and email and assist respondents in any way necessary.

## 9. Next Steps

- 9.1 Our approach to preparing the next Local Plan builds upon the Council's commitment to greater engagement and partnership working with local communities. The timetable for the preparation of the Local Plan has enabled us to focus on our strategic priorities and aspirations which we have sought the communities view upon and then fed into the detailed assessment of sites and development management policies.
- 9.2 The first stage of the review (Regulation 18) process involves preparing the most up to date evidence including early community and stakeholder consultation on the scope of the review. The importance of an early engagement is recognised in the NPPF, which states that the local plans should “be shaped by early, proportionate and meaningful engagement between planmakers and communities, local organisations, businesses, infrastructure providers and statutory consultees.”
- 9.3 To ensure plans are prepared on a sound footing, the Council is required to undertake a consultation and seek representations on the proposed scope of the Plan as described in the LDS. This is a requirement under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 9.4 The two-stage approach to Regulation 18 has provided the opportunity to present a clear stepped approach to proposals. Strategic matters were set out at the last stage (Stage 1). These have been refined and updated for the next stage (Stage 2) along with providing our draft site allocations and Development Management policies.
- 9.5 We have considered the representations made during the Regulation 18 Stage 1 public consultation and we will consider the representation made on Regulation 18 Stage 2. Responses will be used to inform the ‘publication’ version of the new Local Plan, which will be made available for a further round of statutory public consultation (i.e. Regulation 19 stage). Throughout the plan’s production, we will publish consultation statements summarising feedback received during statutory public consultation and how this has been taken into account.
- 9.6 Representations should either be:
- Sent in writing to Planning Policy, Test Valley Borough Council, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, ANDOVER, Hampshire, SP10 3AJ;
  - Emailed [planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk)

## 9.7 Public Participation

The Council is consulting the bodies listed below for their views on the document. It is considered that this takes account of the Council's Statement of Community Involvement in Planning 2017 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) [S.I.2012 No.767

- Consultation Bodies: These include neighbouring planning authorities<sup>13</sup> (through a process called Duty to Cooperate<sup>14</sup>), Test Valley Councillors, Parish Councils within Test Valley, Environment Agency, utility companies etc. The full list of consultees is provided in Appendix 1

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<sup>13</sup> Neighbouring planning authorities: Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council, Eastleigh Borough Council, New Forest District Council, New Forest National Park Authority, Winchester City Council, Southampton City Council, West Berkshire Council & Wiltshire Council.

<sup>14</sup> Duty to Cooperate: The Localism Act (2011) places a legal duty on Local Planning Authorities, County Councils and public bodies to engage constructively, actively and on an ongoing basis on strategic cross boundary matters.

# Appendices

## Appendix 1:

### List of Consultation Bodies

- Test Valley Councillors
- Parish Councils within Test Valley
  
- Active Travel England
- Age UK
- Allington Parish Council
- Andover & District Disability Forum
- Andover & District Mencap
- Andover Action Committee for Disabled People
- Andover BID Manager
- Andover Ramblers
- Andover Shopmobility
- Andover Town Council
- Ashley Parish Meeting
- Ashmansworth Parish Council
- Basingstoke & District Disability Forum
- Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council
- Bath, Somerset and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board
- Bournemouth Water
- Bramshaw Parish Council
- British Telecommunications plc
- Buckholt Parish Meeting
- Bulford Parish Council
- Campaign for Better Transport
- Campaign to Protect Rural England (Test Valley Branch)
- Chandler's Ford Parish Council
- Cholderton & District Water Company
- Church Commissioners for England
- Chute Forest Parish Council
- Chute Parish Council
- Combe Parish Council
- Community Action Hampshire
- Copythorne Parish Council
- Country Land and Business Association
- Crawley Parish Council
- East Dean Parish Council
- East Woodhay Parish Council
- Eastleigh Borough Council
- Eastleigh Town Council
- English Heritage
- Environment Agency (TVBC area)

- Equalities and Human Rights Commission
- Facombe Parish Meeting
- Friends, Families & Travellers (FFT)
- Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service
- Hampshire & Isle of Wight Local Nature Partnership
- Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust
- Hampshire Chamber of Commerce
- Hampshire County Council
- Hampshire County Council Development
- Hampshire County Council Economy, Transport and the Environment
- Hampshire County Council Estates Practice
- Hampshire County Council Highways
- Hampshire County Council Transport Policy
- Hampshire County Council Economy, Transport and Environment
- Hampshire Ethnic Minority Achievement (EMA) Service
- Hampshire Police and Crime Commissioner
- Historic England
- Historic England London and South East
- Home Builders Federation
- Homes England (formerly Homes & Communities Agency)
- Hursley Parish Council
- Hurstbourne Priors Parish Council
- Landford Parish Council
- Local Economic Partnership - Enterprise M3
- Lower Test Valley Archaeological Study Group
- Ludgershall Town Council
- Marine Management Organisation
- Melchet Park and Plaitford Parish Council
- Milston Parish Council
- Mobile UK (Mobile Operators Association)
- National Association of Gypsy & Traveller Officers (NAGTO)
- National Farmers Union South East Region
- National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups
- National Gas Transmission
- National Grid
- National Grid Electricity Transmission
- National Highways
- National Highways, Network Strategy Division (South East)
- Natural England
- Network Rail
- New Forest Association
- New Forest District Council
- New Forest National Park Authority
- Newton Tony Parish Council
- NHS England Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
- NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board
- NHS Hampshire, Southampton and Isle of Wight CCG

- Romsey & District Society
- Romsey Forum
- Romsey Good Neighbours
- Romsey Ramblers Association
- Romsey Town Manager
- Romsey Youth Council
- RSPB South East Office
- Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks
- Secretary of State for Transport
- Shelter - Southern Counties Housing Aid Centre
- Sherfield English Parish Council
- Somborne & District Society
- South Central Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust
- South West Primary Care Team - Romsey & North Baddesley
- Southampton City Council
- Southern Gas Networks
- Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust
- Southern Water Services Ltd
- Sparsholt Parish Council
- SSE
- SSE Telecoms
- Stockbridge & District Chamber of Commerce
- Stockbridge Town Centre Manager
- Sustrans
- Test Valley Friends of the Earth - Andover & Romsey
- The Enham Charity c/o Tibbalds
- The Gypsy and Traveller Law Reform Coalition
- The Gypsy Council
- The Gypsy Council for Health, Education and Welfare
- The Irish Travellers Movement in Britain
- The National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups
- The Showman's Guild - Western Office
- The Showman's Guild of Great Britain
- The Theatres Trust
- The Traveller Movement
- Three Rivers Rail Partnership
- Tidcombe & Fosbury Parish Meeting
- Tidworth Town Council
- Totton and Eling Town Council
- Tourism South East
- Transition Town Andover
- Transition Town Romsey
- Unity
- Unity - Transport
- Wessex Water
- West Berkshire Council
- Whitchurch Town Council

- Whiteparish Parish Council
- Wiltshire Council
- Winchester City Council
- Winterslow Parish Council
- Wonston Parish Council

## Appendix 2:

### Regulation 18, Stage 1 Consultation

- Andover Advertiser
- Romsey Advertiser
- Hampshire Independent
- Poster
- Notification email/letter to specific consultation bodies



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Draft Test Valley Local Plan 2040 Regulation 18 Stage 1  
Notice: The Council is inviting representations on  
the Test Valley Borough Council Regulation 18  
Stage 1 document between Friday 11th February  
2022 and Friday 8th April 2022.**

**Subject Matter:** This is the first statutory stage of  
preparing the Local Plan 2040 which follows the  
Public Issues and Options public consultation  
held in 2020. At this stage the consultation  
documents sets out draft strategic planning  
priorities and strategic planning policies.  
**Areas covered:** The Local Plan will cover the  
administrative area of Test Valley Borough Council  
except for the part within the New Forest National  
Park which is the responsibility of the New Forest  
National Park Authority.

**Representation Period: Friday 11th February  
2022 to Friday 8th April 2022. Representations  
must be received by noon on Friday 8th April 2022.**

**Availability of documents:** A copy of the Local Plan  
2040 Regulation 18 Stage 1 Public consultation  
Documents, along with supporting documents is  
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- Writing to Planning Policy and Economic  
Development Service, Test Valley Borough  
Council, South Hants Way, Horney, Test,  
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For further information on the Local Plan 2040  
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**This week's Public Notices** **Test Valley Borough Council**  
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**This week's Public Notices** **EASTLEIGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**THE BOROUGH OF EASTLEIGH**  
**WIDEWAY ROAD, WEST END AND SOUTH END**  
**AMENDMENT NO 10 ORDER 2022**

**TEST VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING AND CONSERVATION (PLANNING ACT 2004)**  
**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING LOCAL DEVELOPMENT (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2008**  
**AS AMENDED**  
**REGULATION 18 PREPARATION OF A LOCAL PLAN**  
**DRAFT TEST VALLEY LOCAL PLAN 2016 REGULATION 18 STAGE 1**

**Notes:** The Council is making representations on the Test Valley Borough Council Regulation 18 Stage 1 document between Friday 11th February 2022 and Friday 05th April 2022.

**Subject Matter:** This is the first statutory stage of preparing the Local Plan 2040 which follows the Refused Issues and Options public consultation held in 2020. At this stage the consultation document sets out draft strategic planning priorities and strategic planning policies.

**Areas covered:** The Local Plan will cover the administrative area of Test Valley Borough Council except for the part within the New Forest National Park which is the responsibility of the New Forest National Park Authority.

**Representation Period:** Friday 11th February 2022 to Friday 05th April 2022. Representations must be received by 00:01 on Friday 05th April 2022.

**Availability of documents:** A copy of the Local Plan 2040 Regulation 18 Stage 1 Public consultation document, along with supporting documents is available on the Council's website at [www.testvalley.gov.uk/council/2040](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/council/2040). Paper copies will be available to view at the Council Offices in Andover at 10:00am on Monday to Thursday and 4:00pm on Fridays. Paper copies will also be available to view at public libraries during their respective opening hours at Andover, Fareham, North Gosport, Chandler's Ford and Lymington. After this time they may not be publicly available. If you are unable to access the consultation documents please contact us to discuss alternative arrangements.

**Submitting Comments:** Any comments should specify the matters to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made. All representations will be made available for public inspection and personal information will be redacted. Representations can be made by:

- Using the consultation survey or completing the comments form available at [www.testvalley.gov.uk/council/2040](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/council/2040)
- Writing to Planning Policy and Economic Development, Service Test Valley Borough Council, Deane House, West Hill Road, ANDOVER, Hampshire, SP10 3AL
- Emailing [planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk)

For further information on the Local Plan 2040 Regulation 18 Stage 1 Public consultation, please contact the Planning Policy and Economic Development Service on 01264 288008 or via email at [planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk)

**Gillian Smith, Head of Planning Policy and Economic Development**  
11th February 2022

**BOROUGH OF EASTLEIGH**  
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**  
**TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE FOR NEAR SERVICE**  
**ROADS BETWEEN ANNOLE ROAD AND**  
**DOUGLASS ROAD, EASTLEIGH**

By arrangements made under section 18 of the Local Government Act 2000 with Hampshire County Council, notice is hereby given that Eastleigh Borough Council proposes to make a temporary closure order pursuant to the legislation above as the Council is satisfied that traffic impediment on the road(s) below should be restricted because works are proposed to be executed on or near the road, the effect of which is stated below.

**Road to be closed**  
Swinley Road between Danvers Road & Anso Road, Eastleigh

**Period of Closure**  
Monday 1 March 2022, 06:00 for a period of 9 weeks or until the works are completed, whichever is sooner. Notwithstanding it is expected that the road closure will only be in force from Tuesday 1 March until Sunday 13 March 2022.

**Directions made**  
N/A

**Reason for Closure**  
Openwork Works

**DATED:** 17 February 2022  
(Any enquiries, please contact Eastleigh Borough Council - 023 8050 8000)

**THE BOROUGH OF EASTLEIGH**  
**BURROLDOWN, WINDMILL LANE AND HOUNDING**  
**AMENDMENT NO 12 ORDER 2022**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Eastleigh Borough Council pursuant to arrangements with Hampshire County Council has made the above mentioned Traffic Regulation Order in exercise of the powers of the said County Council under Sections 1, 2, 4 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (the Act) and Part M of Schedule 9 to the Act, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part 8 of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The effect of the Order will be to:

- Introduce "No waiting at any time" restrictions in **Mortbay Gardens**
- Introduce "No waiting overnight at any time" restrictions in **Bridge Close**
- Introduce "No Waiting, Min/Flt Bars - 5pm" restrictions in **Reese's Way**

Introduce a maximum of six Disabled persons parking places in the following roads:  
**Asnal Gardens, Beech Garden, Broomfield Road, Castle Road, Cedar Close, Chembertone Road, Olive Avenue, Oak Road, Coronation Parade, Downside Gardens, Saddle Close, George Court, Jarvis Field, Kingfisher Close, Long Lane, Monks Road, Moore Crescent, New Road, Oak Road, Priory Road, Seabell Lane, Station Road, The Crescent, Victoria Road, Westhill Close, Windmill Lane, Winkleson Road, Wykeham Close, Wykeham Road**

- Introduce a maximum of twelve Disabled persons parking places in the following roads:  
**Greenbank Avenue, Horley Road**

The proposals to implement restrictions in Sydney Avenue, Swales Road and Flowers Close have been deferred pending further investigation.

The proposals to relocate the existing loading bay towards the junction of New Road and the removal of the existing loading and unloading restrictions along the south-east side of Station Road, and the introduction of a disabled bay have been abandoned. The proposals to withdraw "No Waiting at any time" restrictions and "No Loading and Unloading" restrictions on both sides of New Road, north and south of its junction with Station Road have been abandoned.

The Order will come into operation on 16 February 2022. A copy of the Order may be inspected at any office at the Eastleigh House, Upper Market Street, Eastleigh during normal office hours or on the Council's website [www.eastleigh.gov.uk/TRO](http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/TRO)

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or any provisions contained in it or the grounds that any requirement of the Act, or any instrument made under that Act has not been complied with in relation to the Order, may within six weeks from 16 February 2022 apply to the High Court for this purpose.

**DATED:** 17 February 2022  
(For further information, please call 023 8050 8000 or email [traffic@eastleigh.gov.uk](mailto:traffic@eastleigh.gov.uk))  
**Heaven Devenish, Legal Services Manager**  
[traffic@eastleigh.gov.uk](mailto:traffic@eastleigh.gov.uk)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Eastleigh Borough Council pursuant to arrangements with Hampshire County Council has made the above mentioned Traffic Regulation Order in exercise of the powers of the said County Council under Sections 1, 2, 4 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (the Act) and Part M of Schedule 9 to the Act, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part 8 of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The effect of the Order will be to:

- Introduce "No waiting at any time" restrictions in the following roads:  
**Barnfield Close north-east side from Moorgreen Road south-westwards for 11 metres, south-west side from Moorgreen Road south-westwards for 27 metres, Moorgreen Way (opposite) east side from 3 metres north of the boundary of Nos 31/31/20 northwards for 25 metres, Moorgreen Road south-east side from 10 metres south-west to 10 metres north-west of Barnfield Close, Wellstead Way south-east side from a point 26.6 metres south-west of the boundary of Nos 42/42 to a point 16 metres south-west of the boundary of Nos 35/35 in place of "No stopping on entrance markings"**
- Introduce "No waiting Min/Flt Bars - 5pm" restrictions in the following roads:  
**Wellstead Way south-west side from 6 metres south-west of its north-eastern junction with Hildred Rise south-westwards for 10 metres in place of "No waiting at any time"**
- Introduce "No waiting Monday to Friday 7 - 9am and 4 - 6pm" restrictions in the following roads:  
**Broad Oak north side from the western boundary of Montague House to Stacey High Street, south side from the western boundary of Glenolive Cottage to Stacey High Street, High Street Baitley north side from its junction with Broad Oak to a point 15 metres west of its junction with Holmwood Lane to 15 metres west of the westernmost vehicle access to Stacey Primary School, from 15 metres east of the westernmost vehicle access to Winchester Street, south side from its junction with Broad Oak to a point 100 metres west of its junction with Church Lane, from 08 to 104 metres west of its junction with Church Lane, from 6 metres west of its junction with Church Lane westwards for 9 metres**
- Introduce "No loading Min/Flt - 9am and 4 - 6pm" restrictions in the following roads:  
**Broad Oak north side from its junction with Garage Road to its junction with Stacey High Street, High Street Baitley north side from its junction with Broad Oak to 10 metres west of the westernmost vehicle access to Stacey Primary School, from 15 metres east of the westernmost vehicle access to Stacey Primary School to a point 118.4 metres west of its junction with Winchester Street, from its junction with Winchester Street westwards for 10 metres, south side from its junction with Broad Oak to 08 metres west of its junction with Church Lane, from its junction with Church Lane westwards for 15 metres**
- Introduce "No waiting at any time on footways" restrictions in the following road:  
**Church Hill west side from Swearingen Road to 15 metres north of its junction with Olive Gardens, east side from Church Hill to 20 metres south of the boundary of Nos 25/27 West End Road**
- Introduce "No stopping on entrance markings of any kind" or **Unmanned Service Road off 00003 Lower Northern Road (bearing Nos 18-20 odd), Unmanned Service Road off 00003 Lower Northern Road (bearing Nos 75-81 odd), Unmanned Service Road off 00003 Lower Northern Road (bearing Nos 2a-12 even), Upper Northern Road, Westward Road, Winkleson Gardens, Winkleson Road, Westward Road, Wellstead Way, Whitehouse Road, Winchester Street**

A decision on the proposed waiting restrictions in Upper Northern Road and West Close is deferred until a means of waiting restrictions in the surrounding area is completed. The proposed waiting restrictions in Winkleson Way (bearing Nos 18-21) have been abandoned. The proposed waiting restrictions on Moorstead Way will derive from the Order and are subject to consultation via an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order.

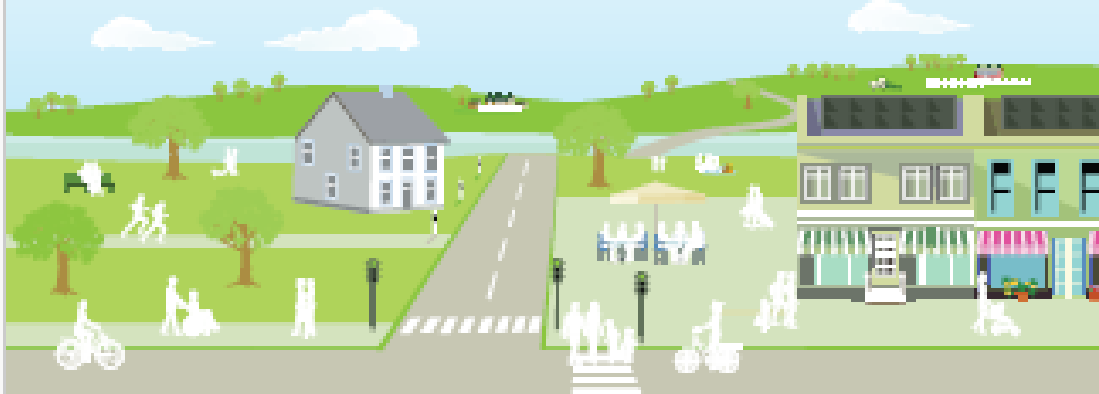
**TEST VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**  
**PLANNING LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS ACT 1987**

The Council has received the applications listed below which require advertising under one of the above Acts:

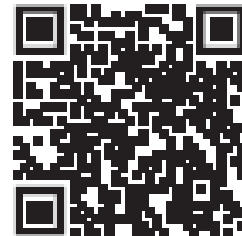
- 20/0007/FULLM** - Two storey side extension with conservation roof, replacement porch, and erection of canopy - Holly Cottage, Wilton, Andover
- 20/0008/FULLM** and **20/0008/L/BNW** - Replacement entrance gate and garden shed with solar panels - Manor Cottage, Downs Road, Andover
- 20/0009/FULLM** - Replace front door and side screen to front elevation, remove existing tall height screen, replace a door and window on the side elevation, add 4 roof lights and ground floor extension - Mubrey Lodge, Longstock Road, Longstock
- 20/0010/W/BNW** - New condition 2 of 21 01542/W/BNW (Plans condition 2 of 20/0008/FULLM) to allow for the addition of kitchen windows and patio doors - Manor Park, Ashford, Beech Park Estate, Hurdstone, Andover
- 20/0011/FULLM** - Conversion from bungalow to a chalet, windows and roof to create living space in the roofspace - Orchard Cottage, Village Street, Chilton
- 20/0012/FULLM** - Two storey extension and associated alterations - 1 The Loft, Old London Road, Stockbridge
- 20/0013/FULLM** - Installation of pool and erection of associated pool house - Millers Manor Farm, Horsehoe Lane, Bishops Cleeve
- 20/0016/FULLM** and **20/0016/L/BNW** - Installation of side gate - Old Farm House, Fawcote Road, Cottonworth
- 20/0019/FULLM** - Two year temporary use as domestic storage for furniture, renovation and partial rebuilding of existing agricultural building partly retrospective - Farbourne Farm, Old Lane, Bostham
- 20/0020/L/BNW** - Replacement roof covering to main hall roof, replacement front wall, stairs and reworked to create a terrace

# Have your say on the future of Test Valley

Submit your comments on the draft Local Plan 2040



The Local Plan will shape the future of our communities. If you and your community are seeking to influence the future of Test Valley, this public consultation is a key opportunity to do so.



To view the draft Local Plan 2040 or to find out more, scan the QR code or visit:

[www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040)

**Consultation ends noon Friday 8 April 2022**



✉ [Planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:Planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk)

☎ 01264 368000

## Notification email/letter to specific consultation bodies

Dear Sir or Madam

### Local Plan 2040 Regulation 18 Stage 1 Public Consultation

The Council is preparing the next Local Plan for the Borough and is now seeking comments on its first formal draft of strategic policies and proposals.

Following two rounds of public consultation undertaken in 2018 and 2020, and building on what our evidence is telling us, this consultation document sets out draft strategic planning priorities for Test Valley supported by a number of strategic policies.

This formal draft is what is known as Regulation 18, in which we are undertaking in two stages. This is the first stage (Stage 1) focussing on strategic matters. Public consultation on the second stage (Stage 2) will take place at the end of this year and will include all draft proposals, such as site allocations and detailed development management policies.

The draft Local Plan 2040 will take a number of years to prepare and following this consultation there will be more opportunities for you to have your say. All comments that we receive will be considered in preparing the Local Plan.

### Consultation Process

The Local Plan 2040 Regulation 18 Stage 1 will be out to public consultation for an 8 period running from **11 February 2022 to noon on 8 April 2022**. We have chosen to make the document available for public consultation for 8 weeks to provide greater time for representations to be made.

The documents are available on our website at [www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040). Paper copies of the draft Local Plan and supporting documents will be available to view at the Council's Offices<sup>15</sup> between the hours of 9am and 5pm on Monday to Thursday and 9am and 4.30pm on Fridays. Paper copies will also be available to view at public libraries during their respective opening hours at Andover, Romsey, North Baddesley, Lordshill and Chandlers Ford. If you are unable to access the consultation documents, please contact us to discuss alternative arrangements.

### How to Comment

Comments on the draft Local Plan should either be:

- Submitted using the consultation survey available on the council's website at [www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040)
- Sent in by filling in the comments form available on the council's website at [www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040)

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<sup>15</sup> Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover, Hampshire SP10 3AJ and Former Magistrates Court, Church Street, Romsey, Hampshire SO51 8AQ

- Sent in writing to Planning Policy and Economic Development, Test Valley Borough Council, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover, Hampshire, SP10 3AJ
- Emailed to [planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk)

Please provide your name and either a postal or email address. If you are responding on behalf of someone else, please also provide the name of the individual/organisation. Please note that emails are subject to a maximum 30Mb size limit, above which they will not be received.

Only those representations that are made in writing and arrive (in either hard copy or electronically) within the 8 week period starting **11 February 2022 and ending at noon on Friday 8 April 2022** will have the right to have their representations considered. If you respond to this consultation, we will keep you informed of future consultation stages unless you advise us that you want to opt out of such communication.

For further information on the Local Plan public consultation, please do contact the Planning Policy and Economic Development Service on 01264 368000 or via email at [planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk).

Yours faithfully

Graham Smith,

Head of Planning Policy and Economic Development

**Planning Policy Team**

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Andover

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*Sharing your personal details*

Please note that representations cannot be treated as confidential. If you are responding as an individual, rather than as an organisation, we will not publish your contact details (email/postal address and telephone number) or signatures online, however the original representations will be available for public viewing at our offices by prior appointment. All representations and related documents will be held by the Council for a period of 6 months after the Local Plan 2040 is adopted.

The Council respects your privacy and is committed to protecting your personal data. Further details on the General Data Protection Regulation and Privacy Notices are available on our website

<http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/aboutyourcouncil/accesstoinformation/gdpr>

Appendix 3:

Regulation 18, Stage 1 Schedule of Comments (separate paper)