Test Valley Borough Council Consultation for Local Plan 2040 Regulation 18 Stage 2

COMMENTS FORM

Test Valley Borough Council has published its Local Plan 2040 Regulation 18 Stage 2 document for public consultation. This consultation document sets out a vision for Test Valley up to 2040, objectives for achieving this vision, our development needs alongside allocations for residential and employment development and theme-based policies.

The consultation period runs from Tuesday 6th February to noon on Tuesday 2nd April 2024. Please respond before the close of the consultation period so that your comments may be taken into account.

You can respond to our consultation by filling out the form below. This form has two parts:

Part A: Your Details

Part B: Your Comments (please fill in a separate sheet for each comment you wish to make)

Further information can be found on our website at: www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040

Once the form has been completed, please send to planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk below by **noon on Tuesday 2nd April 2024**.

Following receipt of your comments from, we will keep you informed of future consultation stages unless you advise us that you want to opt out of such communication.

If you are unable to send via email, please send a postal copy to our address below.

Contacting us

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Website: www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040 Email: planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk



Part A: Your Details

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Personal Details and General Data Protection Regulation

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 until the Local Plan 2040 is adopted and the Judicial Review period has closed and will then be securely destroyed.

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

Part B: Your Comments

Please use the boxes below to state your comments. This includes one box for general comments and another for specific comments related to an area of the Local Plan.

Insert any general comments you may have that do not relate to a specific paragraph number or policy in the general comments box below.

If you are suggesting a change is needed to the draft Local Plan or supporting document, it would be helpful if you could include suggested revised wording.

If you are commenting on a document supporting the draft Local Plan (such as a topic paper, or the Sustainability Appraisal), please indicate so.

General

Overall, I have concerns that the density of the new housing proposed will cause problems of access for cars and other vehicles. The recent developments in Andover have access roads that are too narrow and often lined with cars as there is insufficient parking for residents and visitors provided. This also adversely affects safety as room to manoeuvre around the estates is insufficient. The new developments should learn from this and plan the density of the housing accordingly. So fewer houses and more road space/parking spaces would be better.

In the Local Plan for the centre of Andover I am very worried about the new theatre plan. 'The Lights' is well attended and great hub for a town like Andover. The new plan sees it double in capacity and move location. There is likely to be a problem in that it currently can be filled but if increased from 200 to 400 seating capacity it is likely that it will be half empty for a large proportion of the time so not generating sufficient revenue to cover the additional costs of a bigger venue. The thoughts of putting it the centre of town have merit but don't meet the value for money requirement when spending with tax payer revenue. There also doesn't seem to a coherent plan for what is going to be done with the current venue if The Lights moves. I know the current venue it is leased from the College but as both they and council are government owned, so funded from the same source, this is not really relevant so long as it is planned correctly and funding streams adjusted accordingly.

For specific comments, please make it clear which paragraph, policy or matter your comments relate to where possible. Please use the box below.

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Paragraph Ref	Specific Comments

What happens next?

All valid responses received within the consultation period will be acknowledged and you will be given a reference number. Please quote this reference number when contacting the Council about the Local Plan 2040. If you have an agent acting on your behalf, correspondence will be sent directly to your agent.

All responses received will be taken into account as part of the preparation of the Local Plan 2040.