

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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Part A: Your Details

Please fill in all boxes marked with an *

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Please provide your email address below:

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Alternatively, if you don't have an email address please provide your postal address.

Address*			
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If you are an agent or responding on behalf of another party, please give the name/ company/ organisation you are representing:

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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

available on our website here:
<http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/aboutyourcouncil/accesstoinformation/gdpr>

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
<p>It would be helpful if all information relating to each specific proposed development could be grouped into one area rather than having to look for road issues in one place and conservation in another etc. This would make the document more user friendly . Too much technical jargon has been used for general understanding.</p> <p>Comments below all relate to the proposed Velmore farm development.:-</p> <p>Infrastructure;-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The proposal for 1017 houses on the site has not adequately taken into account the impact of the volume of new people will have on services such as GPs, dentists and schools in the area. Waiting times for GPs in the area are already into months for a non urgent appointment and the ICS stating that existing facilities could be improved will not address this situation.• The proposal is for only one access point into the site at the school lane roundabout. There are several concerns with this proposal;-<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The roundabout and adjoining roads flood regularly, disrupting traffic flow. The flood signs are a permanent feature. This is largely due to the run off of water from the Velmore fields which the sewer system cannot cope with and this would be exacerbated by the tarmacing / concreting of the fields. HCC have not addressed tis issue in the last 20 years.○ The volume of likely traffic with the proposed site, at least another 1,500 cars would need another access point to allow for rush hour requirements.○ The roads around the school lane roundabout are already very busy and at rush hours often backed up and stationary due the sheer volume of traffic, partly due to traffic entering and leaving the Hampshire Corporate Park and School Lane businesses.○ The ability to turn into and out of Montgomery Way is already difficult due to the volume of traffic on Templars way and is the m

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ain access for all houses on that part of the existing valley park area. This has become a dangerous junction with several accidents and this would only increase the risk with an increased traffic burden. Traffic control measures allowing safe access need to be considered.

- There appears to be no plan for facilities within the development other than a primary school, this does not seem reasonable considering the volume of people proposed.
- Any development should be in keeping with the principles, style and format of the estate nearby. This means good and separate pedestrian/ cycle routes (not on the roads) , reasonable green areas in amongst the houses, not just on the outside edges and not more than 2 stories high especially as the site is quite elevated in places.
- The velmore farm site forms a vital green wildlife corridor connecting areas of biodiversity importance and this green corridor should be maintained within any plans.

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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
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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.