



## **Consultation Reminder: Climate Emergency Review of the Local Plan Main Modifications**

The Climate Emergency Review of the Local Plan was submitted for Examination on 31 March 2022. The appointed Inspector, Joanna Gilbert MA (Hons) MTP MRTPI, held local examination hearing sessions in October 2022. Following the hearing sessions the Inspector advised of her initial view that, subject to some changes, known as Main Modifications, it is likely that the submitted Plans would be found to be legally compliant and sound. The Council prepared and published a schedule setting out proposed Main Modifications. On 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023 the Council published the schedule, along with an addendum to the Sustainability Appraisal, for a six week period of consultation. **This period ends at 5:00pm on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July.**

The consultation relates to the Main Modifications and addendum to the Sustainability Appraisal; it is not a further consultation on the whole submitted

Local Plan.

The consultation's main questions relate to whether the Main Modifications comply with legal requirements and meet the tests of soundness. At the close of the consultation the representations received by the Council will be forwarded to the Inspector, via the Local Plan Programme officer, for her consideration when preparing her report on the submitted plan. Should the Inspector conclude in her report that the submitted Local Plan, with modifications, is legally compliant and sound, then the Council can adopt the reviewed documents, with the necessary changes, in place of the currently adopted documents.

More details and how to make a representation can be [viewed by clicking here](#)



## **Shopfronts and Advertisements SPD**

**Public Participation - We are now consulting for an 8 week period from Thursday 20 July 2023 to 1 September 2023**

**The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, (Pre Regulation 12)**

This Shopfronts Supplementary & Advertisement Planning Document (SPD) supplements policy guidance provided in the [Development Management DPD](#) (adopted July 2020) in relation to shopfronts and advertisements. The

purpose of the SPD is to provide design guidance on the installation of new shopfronts and advertisements within the district particularly in sensitive locations (for example within conservation areas). Find out more and have your say: <https://keepconnected.lancaster.gov.uk/sf-spd>.



## **Neighbourhood Plan**

### **Welcome to our new digital Neighbourhood Planning Support Hub**

[Here is where you'll find everything](#) you need to know about how to develop a neighbourhood plan or neighbourhood development order and what support is available to you, including grants and how to apply for via the 'Locality' website. [More on neighbourhood planning](#)

#### Caton Neighbourhood Plan update

The Caton Neighbourhood Plan was formally adopted by Lancaster City Council on 19 July 2023. As per Neighbourhood Plan Regulations 2012, this neighbourhood plan is now 'made' and should be used when determining future planning applications within the identified neighbourhood area.

#### Slyne with Hest Neighbourhood Plan update

The Examiner concluded that subject to the recommended modifications being made, the Neighbourhood Plan should proceed to referendum. A referendum was scheduled to be held on 23 February 2023 but this was postponed due to judicial review proceeding having been lodged questioning the Council's decision to proceed to referendum. The application for permission to apply for a Judicial Review and a subsequent appeal have now been refused. The referendum will now be held on 3 August 2023.



## **Lancaster South Area Action Plan**

A draft Area Action Plan has not yet been prepared. On 15 June 2023 Lancashire County Council announced a decision to suspend further work on the proposed South Lancaster to M6 transport project. Both the County and City Council will now need to consider how infrastructure needed to support future development needs in the district might be achieved. The Councils will engage with strategic partners and local communities when exploring these challenges. The City Council will need to consider the implications for plan-making in the south Lancaster area. Updates of progress will be added to the [Lancaster South AAP webpage](#) when more information is available.



## **Community Led Housing and Self Build Housing**

### **Have Your Say**

Community led housing is a growing movement of people taking action at a local level to build and manage quality affordable homes that can help meet the housing needs of their local communities. Please complete our [short survey](#) to help us get a better understanding of the level of interest in community led and self build housing

### **Lapwing Housing Coop Open Day Sunday 30 July 2023 2pm to 4pm in Halton**

Lapwing Housing Coop is looking for new coop members and solidarity investors to support the coop in buying its first home in Halton. This open day will offer a tour around the Halton property and will introduce Lapwing's vision, values, business plan and loan stock offer. [Register here](#).



## **We're on a mission - to reduce our emissions**

The vision is for the Lancaster district to thrive as a vibrant regional centre in the north west of England, making the most of our district's many attributes as a great place to live, work and visit. You can find out more on [what we are doing to tackle climate change and to get involved](#).

Many thanks  
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