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## Local Plan Consultations

Your Place, Your Future, Your Say



Cheshire East is facing many challenges over the next twenty years or so, including climate change, moving to a low carbon and globalised economy and increased housing need. The Local Plan will be a key part of the planning system in Cheshire East and will form the basis of planning decisions in the Borough until 2030.

Details of previous and current consultations are shown on this page. You might also like to look at the [press and publicity page](#) for links to news articles on Local Plan consultations.

### Current Consultation: Possible Additional Sites

As part of the production of the new Local Plan, we are currently consulting on possible additional sites proposed by developers and land interests.

Responses received to the recent Local Plan consultation in January and February 2013 have revealed a number of possible strategic sites that developers and landowners consider suitable for inclusion in the Local Plan as well as other strategic sites that have been brought to the attention of the Council in the past few months as the plan-making process has progressed.

The purpose of this consultation is to give members of the public and other interested parties a chance to have their say about these new sites prior to the Council making a decision on whether any of them should be included within the Local Plan. These sites have either not previously featured in Local Plan consultations or have changed significantly since previous consultations.

Consultation runs from 3<sup>rd</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> May 2013. Printed versions of the document can be inspected at all Cheshire East libraries,



Delamere House in Crewe, the Town Hall in Macclesfield and Westfields in Sandbach. Paper copies of the comments form can also be collected at these locations. However, the Council asks that consultation responses are made online wherever possible to save time, paper and money.

- [View document and submit your comments via the consultation portal](#)
- [Possible Additional Sites Consultation Document \(PDF, 5.7MB\)](#)
- [Guide to Making Comments Online \(PDF, 64KB\)](#)

## Future Consultations

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- Consultation on the draft Local Plan Core Strategy will take place during Summer 2013.

## Previous Consultations

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### Development Strategy and Policy Principles (January / February 2013)

Consultation on the overall [Development Strategy and Policy Principles](#) documents took place between 15<sup>th</sup> January and 26<sup>th</sup> February 2013 and all responses are currently being considered. A full report of consultation will be produced but in the meantime responses made can be viewed on our [consultation portal](#).

### Town Strategy Phase 3 Consultations (September 2012)

Following on from the Place Shaping Consultation in 2011, Advisory Panels were formed in Crewe, Macclesfield, Nantwich, Knutsford, Poynton, and Handforth. Their members were drawn from the Town Councils (where applicable), community partnerships, local businesses and community groups and they produced draft [Town Strategies](#) for each of these towns. Consultation took place between 31st August and 1st October 2012. All comments have now been considered and reports of consultation are available.

### Wilmslow Vision Consultation (Town Strategy Phase 2 Consultation) (April / May 2012)

Consultation on the draft Wilmslow Vision ran from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012 until 31<sup>st</sup> May 2012. Wilmslow Town Council has considered all comments received and re-written the document accordingly as the [Wilmslow Town Strategy](#).

### Revised Local Plan Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (March / April 2012)

An updated [Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report](#) has been produced to update the Scoping Report produced in 2009. This updated Scoping Report takes account of changes that have occurred to the planning system since 2009 and to ensure that the social, environmental and economic issues identified are up to date, and will be considered when assessing policy documents. Consultation took place between 2<sup>nd</sup> March and 10<sup>th</sup> April 2012. Following a review of comments made, the revised document and report of consultation are now available.

## Town Strategy Phase 1 Consultations (March 2012)

Following on from the Place Shaping Consultation in 2011, Advisory Panels were formed in Alsager, Congleton, Middlewich and Sandbach. Their members were drawn from the Town Councils, community partnerships, local businesses and community groups and they produced draft Town Strategies for each of these towns. Consultation took place between 2<sup>nd</sup> March and 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2012. All comments have been considered and revised Town Strategies approved by each respective Town Council.

## Minerals Issues Discussion Paper (March 2012)

The Minerals Issues Discussion Paper follows on from the Core Strategy Issues and Options consultation and Rural Issues Consultation which identified the importance of mineral extraction in the Borough. Consultation on the paper took place between 2<sup>nd</sup> March and 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2012 and gave the opportunity for those with an interest in minerals planning in Cheshire East to offer their views on how the Local Plan should approach key strategic minerals planning issues. There was also an opportunity to provide additional information on possible sites and areas for future mineral working and safeguarding. Following a review of comments made, a report of consultation is now available.

## Rural Issues Consultation (October / November 2011)

The survey accompanying the Cheshire East Rural Issues Summary Document (PDF, 1.2MB) has now ended. We have produced a Summary Report of Rural Issues Consultation (PDF, 289KB).

## Place Shaping Consultation (Summer / Autumn 2011)

The second major stage of the consultation on the Local Plan was the Place Shaping Consultation which took place between July and September 2011. During this time, we worked with local communities, businesses and stakeholders to understand the challenges facing each town or village.

Further details and a full report of consultation is available on the Place Shaping Consultation page.

## Core Strategy Issues and Options Paper (November / December 2010)

The Issues and Options Paper looks at the overall strategy for the future of Cheshire East, and asks some fundamental questions about what we want Cheshire East to be like in 2030, how much growth we should plan for and where new development should be located.

Consultation on the Issues and Options Report took place between 8<sup>th</sup> November and 20<sup>th</sup> December 2010. The consultation documents and full report of consultation are available on the Core Strategy Issues and Options Consultation page.

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