

Proposed Submission Draft Harborough Local Plan 2020-2041
Statement of Representations Procedure and Statement of Fact
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2012 (as amended)

Regulation 19 Consultation: Publication of Local Plan

Making representations on the Proposed Submission Draft Harborough Local Plan 2020-2041 (Draft Local Plan) and associated Policies Map, Sustainability Appraisal, and Habitats Regulation Assessment.

Title of document

Proposed Submission Draft Harborough Local Plan 2020-2041

Subject matter and area covered

The Draft Local Plan covers the whole of the administrative area of Harborough District. It details our vision and framework to guide development within the district for the period between 2020 and 2041. It sets out a strategy for the amount, location and design of development (such as homes, employment and other development needs including infrastructure) in a way that helps to ensure the vitality of communities, protect the district's rural character and unique built and natural heritage, as well as improve the natural environment and tackle climate change.

Period of publication for representations

Representations are invited on the Draft Local Plan and associated documents between **9am on Monday 10 March and 9am on Tuesday 6 May 2025**. No representations will be accepted outside of this period.

Document availability

The Draft Local Plan and associated documents are available to view electronically at [New Local Plan | New Local Plan | Harborough District Council](#)

Hardcopy printouts are available for inspection during normal opening hours at Harborough District Council, The Symington Building, Adam and Eve Street, Market Harborough LE16 7AG.

The Policies Map is also available on the Council's interactive mapping system at <https://harborough.opus4.co.uk/planning/localplan/maps/reg19#/center/52.5385,-1.008/zoom/11/baselayer/b:31/layers/annotations:0,o:12128,o:12165,o:12166,o:12167,o:12168,o:12169,o:12170,o:12171,o:12172,o:12173,o:12174,o:12175,o:12176,o:12177,o:12178,o:12179,o:12180,o:12181,o:12182,o:12183,o:12184,o:12185,o:12186,o:12187,o:12188,o:12189>

If required, hardcopy printouts of specific sections or whole documents will be available on request.

Information on requesting documents in a different format, translation or interpretation services is available at [Equality and diversity | Equality and diversity | Harborough District Council](#)

Making a representation

All comments must be submitted in writing using the representation form. This can be accessed and submitted in a number of ways.

The easiest and quickest method is through our [dedicated online consultation page](#). This will ensure your representations are accurately logged and easily submitted to the Inspector.

However, if you are unable to make your representation using the online consultation page, you can make your comments by downloading a Word version of the Representation Form from https://www.harborough.gov.uk/downloads/download/1744/proposed_submission_draft_representation_form. Alternatively, you can request a representation form by contacting us at planningpolicy@harborough.gov.uk or on 01858 821160

Completed representation forms can be returned electronically to localplan@harborough.gov.uk or by post to: Strategic Planning Team, Harborough District Council, The Symington Building, Adam and Eve Street, Market Harborough, Leicestershire, LE16 7AG.

What to consider when making a representation

Representations at this stage should only be made on the legal and procedural compliance of the Draft Local Plan and if it is sound. Guidance notes have been prepared to help you make representations and these can be viewed on the Council's website at https://www.harborough.gov.uk/downloads/download/1745/representations_guidance_notes

Please note that representations must include your full name and contact details. The Council cannot legally accept anonymous submissions during this representations period as these cannot be considered by the Planning Inspector. Please note that your name and response will be made public as part of the examination process and that this is required by legislation and therefore complies with GDPR legislation.

Further information

You can view the main consultation documents and speak to Planning Officers at the following drop-in events. You do not need to register, please come along on the date and times listed:

Date	Where to go
Wednesday 19 March, 4pm to 7pm	Scraptoft Community Hub (Lounge), Malsbury Avene, Scraptoft, Leicestershire, LE7 9FQ
Tuesday 25 March, 3pm to 7pm	The Wycliffe Rooms (Community Room), Lutterworth LE17 4ED
Tuesday 1 April, 3pm to 7pm	Great Glen Village Hall, Main Street, Great Glen LE8 9GG
Wednesday 2 April 2pm to 7pm	Harborough District Council, Council Chamber, 2 nd Floor, The Symington Building, Adam and Eve Street, Market Harborough LE16 7AG

Monday 7 April, 4pm to 8pm	Broughton Astley Village Hall (Alan Talbot Room), Station Road, Broughton Astley LE9 6PT
Wednesday 9 April, 3pm to 7pm	Kibworth Grammer School Hall (Main Hall), School Road, Kibworth LE8 0JE

You can watch our video explaining the Regulation 19 consultation on the Council's YouTube channel.

Notification of the next steps

Once the consultation closes, all representations received will be submitted to the Secretary of State, who will appoint an Inspector to carry out an independent examination of the Local Plan. We are expecting submission to be later in 2025. At the examination, the Planning Inspector(s) will consider all representations received at Regulation 19 stage and examine the Plan, the evidence supporting it and make a decision whether it is sound and meets the legal requirements. It is anticipated that the Plan will be adopted before December 2026, at which point it will supersede the existing Harborough Local Plan 2011-2031.

Updates regarding the status of the Local Plan will be published on the Council's planning policy webpages. Any person who makes a submission during the Regulation 19 representation period will automatically be added to the Council's Local Plan consultation database and will be provided with updates on the progress of the Local Plan including when we submit our Local Plan for independent Examination, when the Planning Inspector's recommendations are published and when the Local Plan is adopted. If you wish to be removed from this database, please contact planningpolicy@harborough.gov.uk

Contact information

If you have any queries regarding the Draft Local Plan or associated documents, please contact us by any of the following means:

- email at planningpolicy@harborough.gov.uk
- telephone on 01858 821160
- post to Strategic Planning, Harborough District Council, The Symington Building, Adam and Eve Street, Market Harborough, Leicestershire LE16 7AG