

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



## LOCAL PLAN (Part 2) Draft Issues and Options Consultation 2017

### What is Local Plan (Part 2)?

Local Plan (Part 2) is the second part of the Local Plan for Cannock Chase District. You may have been consulted on or made comments about the first part, **Local Plan (Part 1)**, which was adopted in 2014 and sets out **how much** development we will need to deliver up to 2028 **and how this will broadly be distributed** across the District. Part 1 also contains a series of planning policies, and a detailed Area Action Plan for Rugeley, which create the framework against which planning applications will be assessed. **Local Plan (Part 2)** will contain the detail. It **will allocate sites** for different kinds of development, making sure that we have enough sites, in the most sustainable locations. **It can also, where necessary, add further detail to the policies contained in Part 1.**

### How will it affect me?

**We need to decide which sites to assess and how – for new housing, employment, green space and leisure – and consider how the District's historic environment might inspire future investment.** We are at the early stage of developing Local Plan (Part 2) setting out the potential scope of the plan, what issues it needs to cover and why, and options for addressing these issues.

**We'd like your thoughts and ideas on what we are suggesting at this stage, so that we can use these as the Plan develops.** We think that the main focus of the plan needs to be upon the allocation of sites, and only to provide further policy detail where absolutely necessary.

### Where will the new development go?

We have a database of sites which have been put forward over the years for future development across the District. We are also reviewing our Green Belt boundaries to help inform the selection of suitable sites. We are looking at what should happen to the Rugeley Power Station site now it has closed and at the shortage of housing in the Greater Birmingham Housing Market Area because Councils within this area are committed to working together to address this issue.

## CANNOCK TOWN CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN (AAP) Consultation 2017

The Cannock Town Centre AAP is being produced in parallel with Local Plan (Part 2). It will provide a vision for the future of the Town Centre and a strategy for its regeneration and positive change. It will include

general town centre planning policies and specific guidance for the development of key sites. A similar AAP for Rugeley Town Centre was prepared in parallel with Local Plan (Part 1).

**How can I find out more?** Further details of all these matters can be found in the consultation documents in Libraries throughout the District, Cannock Civic Centre and Rugeley Area Office during the consultation period Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017, and staffed exhibitions are being held in the locations and at the times stated below. A non-technical summary is also available. You can attend any of the exhibitions so please come along and talk to us! **All the information is available on the Council's website [www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/planningpolicy](http://www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/planningpolicy)** The Local Plan (Part 2) Issues and Options full consultation document is accompanied by detailed technical reports - the Integrated Impact Assessment (which includes the Sustainability Appraisal, Equalities Impact Assessment and Health Impact Assessment) and the scoping report for the Habitats Regulations Assessment. **There is a drop-in session about the AAP at 10am – 1pm on Friday 3rd March 2017 in the retail unit at the entrance to Cannock Market Hall.**

#### **How can I make my comments?**

We want you to have your say in the way your District develops in the future to better become the place where you enjoy living and working. **You can make your comments by email to [planningpolicy@cannockchasedc.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@cannockchasedc.gov.uk)**, on the Comments Form or in writing to the Planning Policy Manager, Civic Centre, PO Box 28, Beecroft Road, Cannock WS11 1BG by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

#### **What happens next?**

We will acknowledge receipt of your comments though you will not receive an individual reply to the particular issues you raise. We will summarise all the comments received and publish this summary at the next stage of consultation. **Please note that your views will not be confidential and will be made publicly available though only names (not addresses) will be attributed publicly.**

**We will use the views expressed through this consultation to guide our decisions on which sites to assess and how best to assess them as well as consider people's views on the other matters.** The views of statutory bodies, service providers and our neighbouring Local Authorities will also be taken into account. There will be further public consultation later in the process of developing Local Plan (Part 2) giving you the opportunity to make comments again at the next stage before it is submitted to the Secretary of State who will appoint a Planning Inspector to examine the Plan.

#### **Timetable for staffed exhibitions:**

Norton Canes Library	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	3.30-6.30pm
Hednesford Library	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2017	1.30-4.30pm
Rugeley Library	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2017	10am-1pm
Cannock Library	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	10am-1pm
Heath Hayes Library	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2017	3.30-6.30pm
Brereton Library	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2017	2.30-5.30pm

If you'd like to speak to us please telephone 01543 462621 and ask for Planning Policy.



# Comments form

This comments form can be used to respond on the following consultation documents

- Cannock Chase District Local Plan Part 2 Issues & Options
- Integrated Impact Assessment including Sustainability Appraisal, Equalities Impact Assessment and Health Impact Assessment (Local Plan Part 2 Issues and Options)
- Local Plan Part 2 Issues and Options Habitats Regulations scoping report
- Cannock Town Centre Area Action Plan Issues and Options
- Sustainability Appraisal Cannock Town Centre Area Action Plan Issues & Options

Please state clearly the document you are commenting on and include page / paragraph number, issue / option reference and chapter title where relevant. You can submit multiple forms if you need to.

<b>Document Title</b>
<b>Reference details (eg page, paragraph , issue / option reference, question reference etc)</b>
<b>Please provide your comments here (use further sheets if needed, and if applicable support your comments with references to specific evidence).</b>

## Contact details

Please provide your contact details. Please note that your views will not be confidential and will be made publicly available, via paper based reports, which will also be placed on our website. Only names (not addresses) will be attributed publicly. Your comments will be used to shape our Local Plan Part 2 / Cannock Town Centre Area Action Plan and a report summarising all responses received will be made publicly available and submitted to the Planning Inspectorate when the relevant Plan is ready for examination. Your address and contact details will not be shared with anyone else and will be protected. We will retain your details on our data base so we can keep you up to date with progress on the plan and other consultations unless you request that we do not do so.

**Name**

**Organisation (if applicable)**

**Address**

**Postcode**

**Email address (please provide if you have one as it is the most efficient way of contacting you)**

**Phone number**

**Please place an x in the box that best describes you / your role in responding to this consultation**

Resident or Individual		Local Authority	
Business		Public service provider e.g. education establishment, health etc	
Developer or Investor		Public agency / organisation	
Landowner		Statutory Consultee	
Planning Agent or Consultant		Charity	
Land & Property Agent or Surveyor		Duty to co-operate	
Community or other Organisation		Other (please specify)	

**Please tick as applicable**

- Yes, please keep me on your data base so that I am kept up to date with progress of the Local Plan and future consultations ☐
- No, please do not retain my details on your data base. ☐