

Statement of the representation procedure

West Suffolk District Council
West Suffolk Local Plan Submission Draft (Regulation 19 stage)
Local Plan Document

This statement has been prepared under Regulation 19 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012.

Title of the document:

West Suffolk Local Plan Submission Draft January 2024

Subject matter and area covered: The West Suffolk Local Plan sets out the overall housing quantum and distribution between settlements and site allocations and general policies against which, (amongst other material considerations), planning applications will be determined across the district of West Suffolk.

The documents have been produced by West Suffolk District Council following previous issues and options and preferred options stages. The document has been prepared to give developers and the public up-to-date information on future policies to manage the location of future development.

This document represents an important stage in the preparation of the West Suffolk Local Plan. The council has considered the wording of the policies (as previously developed), and has identified the most sustainable way forward, which best meet the needs of both local areas and the strategic policies of the National Planning Policy Framework. The package of policies now put forward as the West Suffolk Local Plan Submission Draft, provides an opportunity for public consultation, in order to confirm the evidence, or alternatively to provide a basis for any revisions.

The significant stages in the preparation of the West Suffolk Local Plan document can be summarised as follows:

- October to December 2020 Consultation in respect of the Issues and Options.
- May to July 2022 Consultation in respect of preferred options.
- **Current Stage** Consultation in respect of the submission version documents between 30 January 2024 and 12 March 2024.

Where documents can be viewed during normal opening hours:

- Brandon Library, The Brandon Centre, Bury Road, Brandon, IP27 0BQ
- Haverhill House, Lower Downs Slade, Haverhill, Suffolk CB9 9EE
- Mildenhall Hub, Sheldrick Way, Mildenhall, Suffolk IP28 7JX
- Newmarket Library, 1a the Guineas, Newmarket CB8 8EG
- West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds IP33 3YU

Consultation period for this document: Representations should be received within the consultation period, which will run from 9am Tuesday 30 January 2024 until 5pm Tuesday 12 March 2024.

Where possible, representations should be made using the <u>online public</u> <u>consultation portal</u>

Representations can also be sent by email to planning.policy@westsuffolk.gov.uk

or by post to:

Local Plan Submission Draft Consultation West Suffolk District Council Strategic Planning Team West Suffolk House Western Way Bury St Edmunds IP33 3YU

Any representations received may also indicate a request to be notified of the following events:

- The submission of the plan for examination by an independent inspector.
- The publications of the recommendations of the person who carried out the examination.
- The adoption of the plan.

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