

Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17 4JF

Ask for: The Place and Design Team

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1st December 2022

Dear Sir / Madam

**Waltham Forest Local Plan Part 1
Examination in Public Stage 2 Consultation
5th December to 23rd January (12 noon)**

Waltham Forest Council is in the process of preparing a new Local Plan to guide sustainable development and inclusive growth in the borough over the next fifteen years, including the delivery of much needed new affordable homes, local jobs, and green and community infrastructure at the heart of vibrant and safe 15 Minute Neighbourhoods.

All Local Plans are independently examined by Planning Inspectors appointed by the Secretary of State to ensure that they are sound and that they meet the requirements of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and associated Regulations.

The new Waltham Forest Local Plan (Part 1) was submitted for Examination on 30 April 2021. Following hearing sessions in March 2022, the Inspectors wrote to the Council identifying a number of matters which needed to be addressed to ensure soundness. The Council has been working to address these matters through new and updated evidence documents, which are available on the [Examination website](#).

The Inspectors have now written their [Further Matters, Issues and Questions](#) relating to these new and updated evidence documents, which will form the basis of a new round of public consultation.

Public consultation on the Inspectors' Further Matters, Issues and Questions relating to the new and updated evidence documents will run from 5th December 2022 to 12 noon on 23rd January 2023.

All consultation responses should directly address the questions in the Inspectors' Further Matters, Issues and Questions.

If you have previously submitted representations on the Plan, these will be considered as part of the Examination, so it is not necessary to repeat them. However, if you have any new comments to make in response to the Further Matters, Issues and Questions, please send them to the Programme Officer, Andrea Copsey at copseyandrea@gmail.com by **12 noon on 23rd January 2023**. The Programme Officer works under the direction of the Inspectors, and independently of the Council.

When responding, please ensure that:

- Responses are kept as short as possible, and under 3,000 words.
- The question number being answered from the [Inspectors' Further Matters Issues and Questions](#) is clearly identified;
- The name of the representor and a cross reference to their original representation is included. This should be by representation number which is available from the Programme Officer at copseyandrea@gmail.com.

If you do not have access to the internet to view the documents or submit your response, please contact the Programme Officer to make alternative arrangements, either by email or on 07842 643988

Following this consultation, hearing sessions have been provisionally set to resume on **Tuesday 7 March 2023 with further sessions on 8, 9, and 10 March 2023**. These sessions will be held at Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow E17 4JF.

The hearing sessions will be open to all to observe. For further guidance on this consultation and participation at the hearing sessions, please see the [Examination Consultation Guidance Note](#) prepared by the Planning Inspectors.

If you have any further queries, please contact the independent Programme Officer at copseyandrea@gmail.com or Waltham Forest's Place and Design Team at localplanconsultations@walthamforest.gov.uk



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