

Local Plan Update Timeframe following Executive approval on July 28, 2016 (please note the details and timings below may vary)

Stage	Purpose of stage	Timeframe
Consultation on draft Issues and Options	<p>Consultation stage giving people an opportunity to shape proposed options and identify issues relating to the Local Plan Update.</p> <p>All land suggested through the Call for Sites will be published although no analysis of their suitability will be available.</p>	August to September 2016
Consultation on Preferred Option	<p>Further public consultation stage which will provide people the opportunity to comment on the Borough Council's preferred options for development.</p> <p>The analysis of sites would be presented as part of this consultation and comments will be invited about the sites as well as on other topics.</p>	June / July 2017
Consultation on Proposed Submission Document	Consultation on proposed submission document; allowing people to comment on whether the Plan is the best possible.	April / May 2018
Submission of Local Plan Update document to Secretary of State	Document submitted to the Secretary of State who appoints Planning Inspector to oversee public examination.	September 2018
Public examination	Planning Inspector will publically examine the document to see whether it is the best possible plan. People can be invited by the Planning Inspector to express their views.	December 2018
Inspector's report received	Report received stating whether document is the best possible. In planning terms, this is referred to as whether the plan is "sound" and complies with law.	April 2019
Adoption	The Local Plan Update can be adopted by the Borough Council This means that it is used to inform decisions relating to planning issues in the Borough.	May 2019