



South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council

# Cambridge Local Plan and South Cambridgeshire Local Plan

## Main Modifications Consultation Response Form

This form has two parts to complete (please use black ink):

### PART A – Your Details

### PART B – Your Response

Where possible, the Councils would prefer that you submit your response online via the interactive forms on each Council's website (*Instructions are provided on the website on how to use them*):

**Cambridge Local Plan:** <http://cambridge.jdi-consult.net/localplan/> or

**South Cambridgeshire Local Plan:** <http://scambs.jdi-consult.net/localplan/>

**All comments must be received by 5pm on Friday 16 February 2018.**

The return addresses are provided at the end of the response form.

#### Data Protection

Information will be used by Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council solely for their respective Local Plans. Representations, including names, will be available to view on the Councils' websites. Full representations including addresses will also be available to view on request.

**By submitting this response form you are agreeing to these conditions.**

**Responses should be limited to the Main Modifications and the Sustainability Appraisal of the Main Modifications.** Comments will be considered by the independent Planning Inspectors undertaking the examination of both Local Plans.

### PART A – Your Details

Please note that we cannot register your representation without your details.

<b>Name of organisation:</b> (if applicable) _____	<b>Name of Agent's organisation:</b> (if applicable) _____
<b>Name:</b> _____	<b>Agent's name:</b> _____
<b>Address:</b> _____	<b>Agent's Address:</b> _____
<b>Postcode:</b> _____	<b>Postcode:</b> _____
<b>Email:</b> _____	<b>Email:</b> _____
<b>Tel:</b> _____	<b>Tel:</b> _____

<b>Signature:</b> _____	<b>Date:</b> _____
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*If submitting the form electronically, no signature is required.*

**For office use only**

Agent number:

Representor number:

Representation number:

## PART B – Your Response

*If you wish to comment on more than one Modification*

*or part of the Sustainability Appraisal of the Main Modifications please use a separate form for each.*

**Which Local Plan are you commenting on?** *(Please select one)*

Cambridge City Local Plan

South Cambridgeshire Local Plan

If you are commenting on the Sustainability Appraisal of the Main Modifications in relation to that plan please tick

**To which Modification or part of the Sustainability Appraisal does this response relate?**

*(Please complete a separate form for each Modification / part that you wish to comment on)*

**Local Plan Modification Number** (Please state)

Or, if you are commenting on the Sustainability Appraisal of the Main Modifications, please state which part

**Do you Support or Object?** (Please tick)

**SUPPORT**

**OBJECT**

**If you object it will help if you can say why**

The Examination Inspectors are required to consider whether the Local Plans have been properly prepared against tests set out in the Government's National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 182).  
If possible, please tick any which apply.

- It is not positively prepared i.e. strategy will not meet development needs**
- It isn't justified i.e. there is no evidence to justify the modification**
- It won't work i.e. not effective**
- It isn't consistent with national policy**
- It doesn't comply with the law**

**Reason for SUPPORT or OBJECTION:**

Please give details to explain why you support or object to the wording of the Modification or part of the Sustainability Appraisal of the Main Modifications. *(continue on separate A4 sheet(s) if necessary)*

*If you wish to comment on more than one Modification or part of the Sustainability Appraisal of the Main Modifications please use a separate form for each. NOTE: A small number of Main Modifications apply to both Local Plans. If you are making a comment which applies to both Local Plans you will need to make separate comments to each.*

### Summary of Representation:

If your reason for support or objection is longer than 100 words, please summarise the main issues raised.

### COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5PM 16 FEBRUARY 2018 AT:

Planning Policy  
South Cambridgeshire District Council  
Cambourne Business Park, Cambourne  
Cambridge  
CB23 6EA  
**EMAIL:** [ldf@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:ldf@scambs.gov.uk)

Planning Policy  
Cambridge City Council  
PO Box 700  
Cambridge  
CB1 0JH  
**EMAIL:** [policysurveys@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:policysurveys@cambridge.gov.uk)

If you need any further information or assistance in completing this form please contact the Planning Policy Teams on:

**TEL:** 01954 713183  
**EMAIL:** [ldf@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:ldf@scambs.gov.uk)

**TEL:** 01223 457200  
**EMAIL:** [policysurveys@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:policysurveys@cambridge.gov.uk)

### Guidance Note

Please use a separate form for each Local Plan and each Modification or part of the Sustainability Appraisal of the Main Modifications you are commenting on.

#### **What is the Proposed Modifications Consultation about?**

The Cambridge Local Plan 2014: Proposed Submission and the Submission South Cambridgeshire Local Plan 2014 were submitted to the Secretary of State on 28 March 2014 for examination, together with supporting documentation.

An examination is underway for both plans, being carried out by independent planning inspectors, to test whether the plans are 'sound' in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (see below).

The Inspectors have asked that consultation be carried out on Main Modifications which may be necessary in order for the Local Plans to be found 'sound', although this should not imply that they have come to any firm conclusions on the soundness of the Plans with or without these modifications. The Inspectors' final conclusions will be given in their Reports at the end of the examination process.

The Councils have also published a small number of Additional (minor) Modifications which do not impact on the intent or interpretation of the policies of the plans or go to the heart of whether a plan is 'sound' or not. They do not formally form part of this consultation but are provided for completeness.

The consultation document sets out the proposed modifications to each Local Plan in the following Chapters, which include a schedule in Local Plan order:

The Main Modifications proposed to the plans are presented in the following Chapters:

- Chapter 4 - Main Modifications to Cambridge Local Plan
- Chapter 6 - Main Modifications to South Cambridgeshire Local Plan

The Additional (minor) Modifications proposed by the Councils are presented in the following chapters:

- Chapter 5 - Additional Modifications to Cambridge Local Plan
- Chapter 7 - Additional Modifications to South Cambridgeshire Local Plan

### **What can I comment on?**

This consultation relates specifically to the proposed Main Modifications to the Local Plans identified by the planning inspectors as those that may be necessary to ensure the plans can be found 'sound', that have not previously been formally consulted upon.

Comments can be made setting out why you support or object to the changes proposed by the Main Modifications. For ease of reference, the Main Modifications are shown in **bold text**. It is only the wording in the bold text that can be commented on.

The Main Modifications have been subject to Sustainability Appraisal. Comments can also be made to the Sustainability Appraisal of the Main Modifications, which accompanies the consultation.

The Councils have also published some Additional (minor) Modifications. These do not form part of the consultation but please let the Councils know if you identify any errors or further factual updates that should be made.

NOTE: A small number of Main Modifications apply to both Local Plans. If you are making a comment which applies to both Local Plans you will need to make separate comments to each.

### **What can't I comment on?**

This consultation does not repeat the consultations already undertaken on the Proposed Submission Local Plans in Summer 2013 and the Proposed Modifications Joint Consultation in December 2015. As a result, this consultation does not include modifications that have previously been consulted upon, unless a modification has been further modified subsequently. In these circumstances, comments are only invited on the new parts of modifications (**bold text**) rather than the modification as a whole.

The Inspectors are not inviting further comments on issues addressed in the earlier consultation through this current consultation, or on the Local Plans as a whole. Comments should only be made on the changes proposed by the published Main Modifications (these are shown in bold text).

The Inspectors have advised that it will help to expedite the production of their reports if the Councils take a rigorous approach to accepting only those comments that relate to the published modifications. Any comments made which go beyond commenting on the Main Modifications or the accompanying Sustainability Appraisal, that are the subject of this consultation, will not be registered.

### **Test of Soundness and Legal Requirements**

The Local Plans are required to be assessed against the tests in paragraph 182 of the NPPF<sup>1</sup> to establish whether they are 'sound' and have complied with the legal requirements:

- **Positively prepared** - the plan should be prepared based on a strategy which seeks to meet objectively assessed development and infrastructure requirements, including unmet requirements from neighbouring authorities, where it is reasonable to do so, and consistent with achieving sustainable development;
- **Justified** - the plan should be the most appropriate strategy, when considered against the reasonable alternatives, based on proportionate evidence;
- **Effective** - the plan should be deliverable over its period and based on effective joint working on cross-boundary strategic priorities;
- **Consistent with National Policy** - the plan should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies in the National Planning Policy Framework.
- **Legal** – complies with the law

If you are objecting to a Main Modification the response form asks you to identify which of the Tests of Soundness and Legal Requirement you consider the modification fails to address, to aid the Inspectors examining the Local Plans.

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/6077/2116950.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/6077/2116950.pdf)