

Barnet Draft Local Plan Reg 18 Consultation Statement June 2021

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1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 The Council is reviewing Barnet's Local Plan. The emerging Local Plan will replace the 2012 version. It will set out a vision for how Barnet will change as a place up to 2036 and provide the main basis upon which future planning applications will be determined.
- 1.1.2 This Consultation Statement sets out what consultation and engagement has been undertaken to date and how this has influenced the content of the Publication draft plan prepared at the Regulation 19 stage of the Local Plan process.
- 1.1.3 To date, the following engagement and consultation process have taken place leading up to and undertaken as part of the formal consultation of the Regulation 18 consultation draft local plan document:
- As a starting point the Council undertook internal and external community meetings titled "Planning for the Future of Barnet" from September 2017 - December 2017 (Appendix G).
 - The Council also undertook various rounds of 'Call for Sites' consultation to identify future development sites for a range of uses. The outcome of these consultations informed the first stage in the formal plan production process.
 - From 27th January 2020 to 16 March 2020, the Council consulted on the Regulation 18 Local Plan Preferred Approach including schedule of Site Allocations.
- 1.1.4 Responses to these previous rounds of consultation have informed drafting of the revised publication version of the Local Plan Regulation 19 proposed submission document.
- 1.1.5 This consultation statement has been produced as an iterative 'living' document, to be revised to take account of consultation responses received at various stages of plan production. This version of the statement includes details on the Regulation 18 consultation undertaken between January 2020 and March 2020 – prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (Regulation 19).

1.1.6 A further version of this statement will be published to include a statement detailing the number of representations made in response to the Regulation 19 consultation, and a summary of the main issues raised in those representations. This will be the version of the consultation statement submitted alongside the draft Local Plan to the Secretary of State as part of the supporting documents required under Regulation 22 of the Local Plan Regulations.

1.2 Scope of the consultation

1.2.1 Following approval by Policy and Resource Committee on 6th January 2020, a formal consultation on the scope and content of the draft Local Plan, known as the preferred policy approach, between 27 January and 16 March 2020. During this seven week consultation period, views were sought from the local community and other stakeholders on the contents and scope of the draft plan and supporting evidence base documentation. Consultation took place prior to the national COVID19 lockdown

1.3 Statutory requirements

1.3.1 Consultation was carried out in accordance with Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. Regulation 18 represents the first statutory stage in preparing a Local Plan and specifies who must be notified of the preparation of the plan and that relevant stakeholders must be invited to make representations on the content of the plan and that these representations must be taken into account.

1.3.2 The purpose of this statement is to set out how the Council has carried out engagement with local residents, community organisations, voluntary bodies, businesses and other organisations in the preparation of the draft plan.

1.3.3 The production of this statement is a requirement set out by the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and, accompanying the Regulation 19 submission Local Plan, must set out:

- (i) which bodies and persons were invited to make representations under regulation 18,
- (ii) how those bodies and persons were invited to make such representations,
- (iii) a summary of the main issues raised by those representations, and
- (iv) how the main issues have been addressed in the local plan.

1.3.4 All consultation and engagement activities have been carried out within the context of paragraph 16 (c) of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) which states that plans should:

“be shaped by early, proportionate and effective engagement between plan-makers and communities, local organisations, businesses, infrastructure providers and operators and statutory consultees”

- 1.3.5 The following document summarises how the Council consulted, who was invited to make representations, the comments that were received and how these have responded to these in the Proposed Submission Local Plan.
- 1.3.6 In summary, Barnet Council formally consulted for seven weeks during which there were a range of opportunities for the community and other stakeholders to comment on the emerging draft Local Plan. This included 30 face to face events reaching an estimated audience of 800 persons. This included six public engagement events with additional Local Plan presentations to scheduled meetings of groups and forums. Consultation generated in excess of 2,000 representations from 150 individual representors. In addition, 300 anonymous responses were submitted through online questionnaires.
- 1.3.7 The issues raised by all these responses have helped shape the Reg 19 Local Plan.

1.4 Conformity with Barnet's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) and Barnet's Consultation and Engagement Strategy

- 1.4.1 The SCI guides the approach to consultation stages throughout the preparation of the Local Plan. It sets out how the community should be engaged in the Local Plan process and at what stages that involvement should take place. The current SCI for Barnet was adopted by the Council (as the local planning authority) in October 2018 and can be viewed at - https://www.barnet.gov.uk/sites/default/files/sci_2018.pdf.
- 1.4.2 Barnet's Consultation and Engagement Strategy can be viewed at <https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/1116/documents/1152>. This seeks to build upon processes already in place across the Council. It aims to provide a framework for co-ordinating consultation and engagement and embed best practice to maximise the benefits of engagement for all stakeholders.
- 1.4.3 Both documents highlight that consultation and public participation is a valuable part of policy development. Early discussions with statutory consultees, as well as continued engagement with other stakeholders has been undertaken by the Council in accordance with both of these documents.

2 Consultation on Barnet's Preferred Approach Local Plan (Regulation 18)

2.1 Consultation Documents

2.1.1 The Preferred Approach Local Plan was accompanied by a suite of documents that forms the Local Plan Evidence Base. Table 1 sets out documents that were published as part of the consultation. All of the information that was published is available on the Council's website at: <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policies-and-local-plan/local-plan-review/local-plan-evidence-and>

Table 1: Documents that were published as part of the Local Plan Review Regulation 18 Consultation

Documents published	Source
Site Selection Background Paper	Barnet Council
Barnet Regulation 18 Duty to Cooperate	Barnet Council
Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) Report 1	Barnet Council
IIA Report 2	Barnet Council
IIA Report 3	Barnet Council
Changes to Policies Map	Barnet Council
Key Facts Evidence Paper (January 2020)	Barnet Council
Draft Local Plan FAQs	Barnet Council
Open Space Strategy	Barnet Council
Demographic Information	
Barnet's Authorities Monitoring Report	Barnet Council
GLA Strategic housing Land Availability Assessment (2017)	GLA
GLA Town Centre Health Checks	GLA
Evidence	
Barnet Hot Food Takeaways Review (2018)	Barnet Council
Public House Review (2018)	Barnet Council
Barnet Shisha Bar Report (2016)	Barnet Council
Gypsy Traveller and Travelling Show People Accommodation Assessment (2018)	Opinion Research Services
Strategic Housing Market Assessment (2018)	Opinion Research Services
Employment Land Review	Ramidus
Town Centre Floor Needs Assessment	Peter Brett Associates
Indoor Sports and Recreation Study	
Strategic Flood Risk Assessment	METIS
Barnet IIA Scoping Report	Re
Barnet Car Parking Study	Capita
Barnet Greenbelt and Metropolitan Open Land Study	LUC

Residential Conversions Study	Re
Tall Buildings update	Re

2.1.2 The draft Local Plan and accompanying documents were available to view at:

- Planning reception at 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW. (Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9am– 1pm)
- local libraries (details and opening hours available at <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/libraries/library-opening-times>)
- online at <https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>

2.1.3 Part 2 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Plan) (England) Regulations 2012 specifies that the following bodies must be consulted in accordance with Section 33a of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 in the preparation of Local Plans.

- Mayor of London
- Adjoining Local Planning Authorities
- Environment Agency
- Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (known as Historic England)
- Homes England
- Natural England
- Clinical Commissioning Group
- Transport for London
- London Enterprise Partnership
- Highways England
- Relevant sewerage and water undertakers e.g. Thames Water
- Relevant telecommunications companies
- Relevant gas and electricity companies Network Rail

2.1.4 Other stakeholders include:

- Age UK
- Barnet Partnership Board
- British Geological Survey
- British Waterways
- Centre for Ecology and Hydrology
- Chamber of Commerce, Local CBI and local branches of Institute of Directors
- Church Commissioners
- Civil Aviation Authority
- Coal Authority
- Commission for Racial Equality
- Crown Estate Office
- Diocese Board of Finance
- Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee
- Environmental Groups at national, regional and local level, including

- Council for the Protection of Rural England
- Friends of the Earth Royal
- Society for the Protection of Birds
- London Wildlife Trust
- Local Historic, environmental and amenity groups and societies, including Conservation Area Advisory Committees (CAACs)
- Equality and Human Rights Commission
- Fields in Trust Freight Transport Association
- Gypsy Council
- Health and Safety Executive
- Homes and Communities Agency
- Home Builders Federation
- Learning and Skills Council
- Royal Mail Property Holdings
- Registered Providers
- Sport England
- Friends, Families and Travellers (FFT)
- Women’s National Commission
- The Theatres Trust
- Middlesex University
- Barnet College
- Metropolitan Police
- Town Teams

2.2 How stakeholders were consulted

2.2.1 Consultation was promoted through a wide variety of methods as shown in Table 2.

2.2.2 The Council maintains a Local Plan database of organisations and people who have expressed an interest in the Local Plan. This database is live and continuously updated in accordance with GPDR requirements. There are currently 2,500 individuals and/or organisations on the database.

Table 2: Main consultation and engagement methods

Method	
Engage Barnet website (https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/) and linked via the Planning policy pages	Information and relevant Local Plan documentation was uploaded on to the Barnet Engage website. Notification on the ‘Planning Policy - Local Plan review’ webpage of the council’s website.
Emails and letters	Over 23,000 letters and emails sent out to:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • those registered on the policy consultation database including statutory consultation bodies; • local businesses • the voluntary and community sector • neighbourhood plans forums • Residents Associations • Statutory consultation database • landowners (including people with a leasehold interest in sites); and • Residents/businesses who are in close proximity to the proposed sites (considered to be within 100 metres) <p>Copies of these letters are available to view in Appendix A.</p>
Public notice	A public notice was published in the Hendon and Barnet Times. A copy of this notice can be found in Appendix B.
Internal communication	A press release was issued on 31 st January 2020 and repeated over three weeks and a number of internal adverts publicising the formal consultation were placed on the Council's intranet. In addition, 20,000 fortnightly Barnet First E-Newsletter emails were sent out.
Social media	A targeted social media campaign was carried out using Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and a news banner on Barnet's website, rolling news on Council's webpage throughout the seven weeks consultation period and over Twitter.
Community events / meetings	Over 25 community meetings / events took place across the Borough through the duration of the consultation period. These events, attended by planning policy officers responsible for drafting the plan, targeted all sections of the population and a summary is outlined in Appendix E.
Targeted consultation events	<p>Three boroughwide events on the draft Local Plan and particularly covering all proposed site allocations took place at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. Paul's Finchley, N3 2PU (Wednesday 5th February 6.30-8.00pm) –sites from wards of Childs Hill, East Finchley, Finchley Church End, Garden Suburb, Golders Green, West Finchley and Woodhouse • Colindale Offices, NW9 4EW (Monday 10th February 6.30-8.00pm) – sites from

	<p>wards of Burnt Oak, Colindale, Edgware, Hale, Hendon, Mill Hill and West Hendon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barnet House, N20 0EJ (Tuesday 11th February 6.30-8.00pm) – sites from wards of Brunswick Park, Coppetts, East Barnet, High Barnet, Oakleigh, Totteridge and Underhill. <p>The Planning Policy Team also presented the draft Local Plan at all three Resident’s Forum meetings held on 4th March 2020 7.00-10.00pm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chipping Barnet Residents Forum – (Chipping Barnet Library) • Finchley and Golders Green Residents Forum – (Church End Library) • Hendon Residents Forum – (Hendon Town Hall). <p>A summary of feedback from community meetings and targeted consultation events can be found in Appendix E.</p>
<p>Online survey and feedback</p>	<p>Consultees were able to provide feedback to the Council through an online survey and submission of letters or emails. A copy of this survey is included in Appendix D and a summary of responses can be found at Appendix F.</p>

2.3 Feedback and questionnaire

2.3.1 Feedback from stakeholders was sought through a number of methods. Comments were submitted:

- online via the Barnet Engage website (<https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>);
- in writing via Planning Policy Team, 7th Floor, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW; or
- by email to forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk

2.3.2 In excess of 2,000 representations were received from 450 individuals through email, letter and questionnaire a breakdown of representation is provided below.

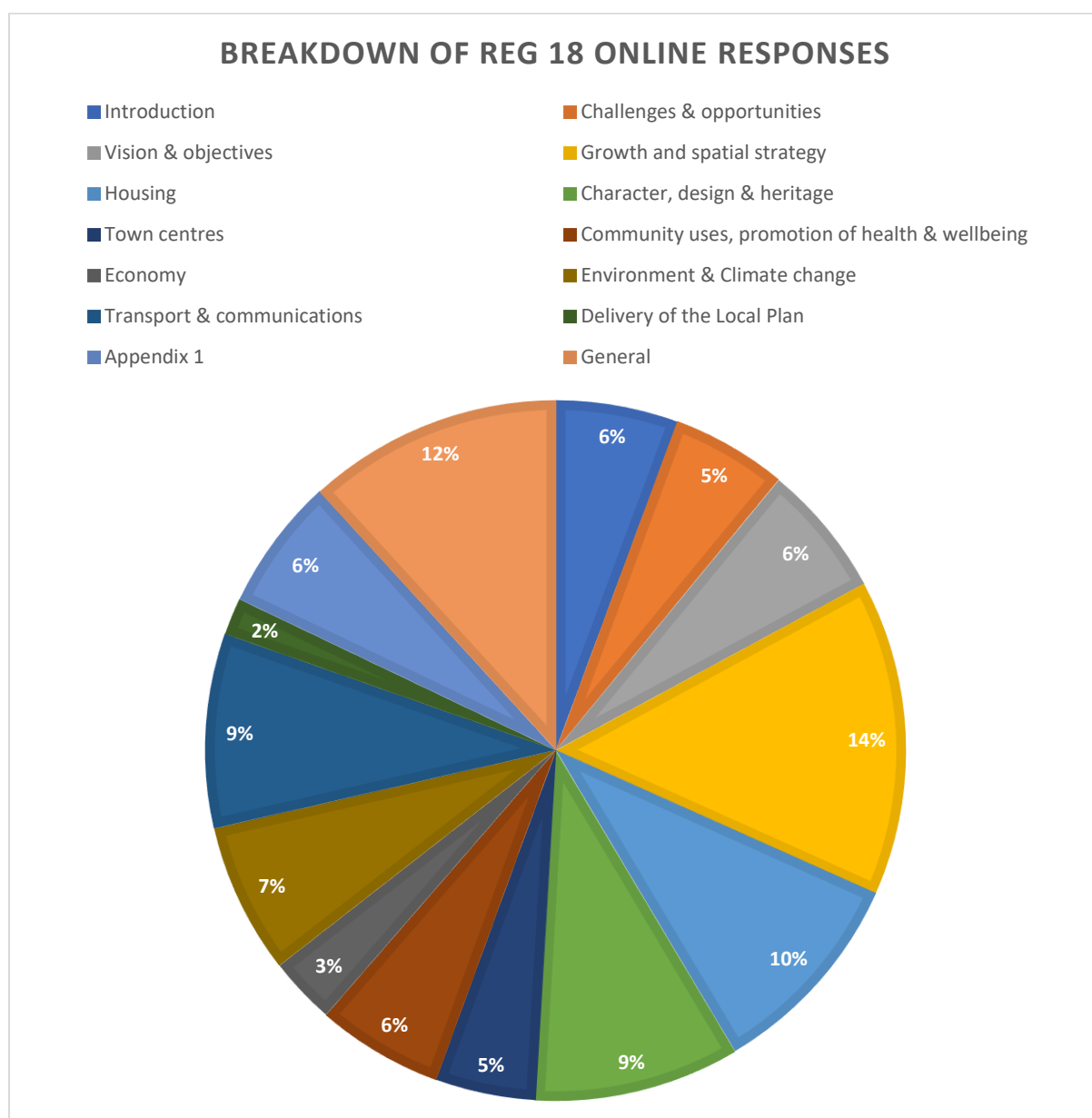
Table 3: Breakdown of consultation responses

Method	Total representations
Online questionnaire	300
Email and Letter	150

2.4 Analysis/ Breakdown of online questionnaire responses.

2.4.1 Around, 300 responses were received via the online questionnaire raising over xx individual representations, however, approximately half of these responses were blank and have not therefore been included in the analysis. The main questionnaire contained 36 questions (see Appendix D for a copy of the questionnaire), with 18 additional questions on the profile of people responding.

Figure 1: Summary of responses from online questionnaire.



2.4.2 A summary of the consultation responses is outlined in Appendix F.

2.5 Call for Sites Information Gathering

2.5.1 As part of the evidence gathering for the Local Plan the Council conducted an extensive call for sites in 2017-18. This added to previous call for sites exercises that took place in 2009, 2010 and 2015. This extensive period of information gathering was publicised on the Council's website, letters and emails were sent to contacts on the Local Plan consultation database, letters displayed in all local libraries and public notice in local newspapers. This has enabled the Council to move forward with a suite of sites following a robust assessment of those nominated.

2.5.2 The sites identified in the Local Plan Schedule of Proposals are derived from the following sources:

- Nominated through the Call for Sites process by landowners and developers seeking to realise development potential. These include public-sector partners such as Transport for London, Middlesex University, the NHS, as well as the Council. The sites have been assessed as suitable for development;
- Sites previously identified in the 2006 Unitary Development Plan but which have still not been developed;
- Prioritised for allocation in other planning documents adopted by the Council, including Supplementary Planning Documents, Town Centre Frameworks and Planning Briefs.

2.5.3 Sites with an existing planning permission are included in the Housing Trajectory and are not part of this Schedule of Proposals.

3 Appendix A – Letters sent to stakeholders

Letter 1 – Sent to all stakeholders on the Council’s database

Dear Stakeholder,

The Council is reviewing and updating the Borough’s planning policies in a document, known as the Local Plan. The Local Plan sets out a vision for how Barnet will change as a place over the next 15 years and forms a strategy which emphasises the Borough’s attractiveness as a place to live, work and visit. The emerging Plan will, when it replaces the existing 2012 Local Plan, provide the main basis upon which future planning applications will be determined.

The Council is undertaking consultation on this draft Local Plan and welcomes your input on a document which will have an impact on the people who live, work, operate a business or visit the Borough as well as future generations.

This document sets out the Council’s preferred policy approach. The Council is inviting comments on this approach.

Consultation Details

The seven week consultation period will run from **27 January to 16 March 2020**.

Barnet’s Draft Local Plan and accompanying documents can be viewed online at:

- Planning Consultation page - <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-consultations>
- Engage Barnet - <https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>

Reference copies of the draft Local Plan and accompanying documents are available at the following locations:

- London Borough of Barnet Planning Reception, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW
- Local libraries (check <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/libraries/library-opening-times> for library opening times)

Consultation Responses

Any comments (known as representations) should be made using the questionnaire available online (<https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>) You are encouraged to use the questionnaire or structure of the questionnaire to comment. In commenting you can let us know how the Local Plan should be changed. Alternatively, representations can also be submitted by using the following methods:

- By post to: Planning Policy Team, 7th Floor, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW
- By email to: forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk

Any representations must be submitted before midnight **16 March 2020**.

Consultation Events

The Planning Policy Team will be giving a short presentation on the draft Local Plan on the following dates. This will be followed by a drop-in session to discuss with planners the Local Plan and sites that are proposed for development in the Schedule of Proposals. These consultation events will largely focus on sites that are within the wards listed below:

- St. Paul's Finchley, N3 2PU (Wednesday 5th February 6.30-8.00pm) – 19 sites from wards of Childs Hill, East Finchley, Finchley Church End, Garden Suburb, Golders Green, West Finchley and Woodhouse
- Colindale Offices, NW9 4EW (Monday 10th February 6.30-8.00pm) – 27 sites from wards of Burnt Oak, Colindale, Edgware, Hale, Hendon, Mill Hill and West Hendon
- Barnet House, N20 0EJ (Tuesday 11th February 6.30-8.00pm) – 21 sites from wards of Brunswick Park, Coppetts, East Barnet, High Barnet, Oakleigh, Totteridge and Underhill

The Planning Policy Team will also be presenting the draft Local Plan at the Resident's Forum meetings held on 4th March 2020 7.00-10.00pm:

- Chipping Barnet Resident's Forum – (Chipping Barnet Library)
- Finchley and Golders Green Resident's Forum – (Church End Library)
- Hendon Resident's Forum – (Hendon Town Hall)

Further information is available from the Planning Policy Team on 020 8359 3000 or forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk.

Finally, please note that you have been contacted as a registered consultee with Barnet Council's Forward Planning consultation database. Should you not wish to be contacted by the Council in relation to planning policy matters in future please email forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk to be removed from the database.

Yours faithfully

Nick Lynch - Planning Policy Manager

Letter 2 – posted to all addresses within 100m of proposed sites

Strategic Planning,
London Borough of Barnet
2 Bristol Avenue
Colindale
NW9 4EW

Contact: Planning Policy Team
Tel: 020-8359-3000
E-mail: forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk
Date: Jan 2020
Our Ref: Local Plan Reg 18 2020

Dear Consultee

I am notifying you of a site in Barnet's draft Local Plan in which you may have an interest.

The Council is reviewing and updating Barnet's Local Plan. The Local Plan will run to 2036 and will provide the main basis for determining planning applications.

The Local Plan includes a Schedule of Site Proposals which identifies those sites that the Council is proposing as suitable for development over the next 15 years.

We are notifying you of this consultation by letter because the above address has been identified as being in proximity to one or more of these sites.

You can view the site and the proposed uses, and submit comments, online at:

- Engage Barnet - <https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>, or
- Planning Consultation page - <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-consultations>

Printed copies of the draft Local Plan and Schedule of Site Proposals can be viewed at the following locations:

- Local libraries (check <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/libraries/library-opening-times> for library opening times)
- London Borough of Barnet Planning Reception, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW

Drop-in sessions are being held around the borough if you would like to discuss a site with the Planning Policy Team:

- St Paul's Finchley (Wednesday 5th February 6.30-8.00pm) – covering wards Childs Hill, East Finchley, Finchley Church End, Garden Suburb, Golders Green, West Finchley and Woodhouse
- Colindale Offices (Monday 10th February 6.30-8.00pm) – covering wards Burnt Oak, Colindale, Edgware, Hale, Hendon, Mill Hill and West Hendon

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- Chipping Barnet Resident's Forum – (Chipping Barnet Library)
- Finchley and Golders Green Resident's Forum – (Church End Library)
- Hendon Resident's Forum – (Hendon Town Hall)

Any comments should be made in writing using the questionnaire available online (<https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>), or can be submitted:

- By post: Planning Policy Team, 7th Floor, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW
- By email: forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk

You can make comments until **midnight 16 March 2020**. If we do not hear from you by then we will assume that you have no observations to make.

Yours faithfully

Nick Lynch - Planning Policy Manager

4 Appendix B – Public notice

Notice and Statement of Draft Local Plan Consultation; Invitation to make Representations Under Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

PUBLIC CONSULTATION 27 JANUARY UNTIL 16 MARCH 2020

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Regulation 18 of the above mentioned Regulations that London Borough of Barnet invites representations on the Local Plan

The Local Plan will be the spatial development plan for Barnet and will set out the Council's vision for a successful place over next 15 years. The Core Strategy and Development Policies will be replaced by the new Local Plan comprising a number of strategic and local policies including site proposals, that sets out the long term spatial vision for Barnet and the strategic policies to deliver the vision. This is the preferred options documents and is required to be publicised to engage with partners, stakeholders, landowners, local residents before the preparation of a publication document and submission to the Secretary of State.

Barnet's Draft Local Plan, accompanying documents and details of borough-wide events and Residents Area Forums can be viewed online at: Planning Consultation page <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-consultations> ; and Engage Barnet webpage - <https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>

Reference copies of the draft Local Plan and accompanying documents are available at the following locations:

- London Borough of Barnet Planning Reception, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW
- Local libraries (check <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/libraries/library-opening-times> for library opening times)

Any comments (known as representations) should be made using the questionnaire available online. Alternatively, written representations can also be submitted by using the following methods:

- By post to: Planning Policy Team, 7th Floor, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW
- By email to: forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk

Any representations must be submitted before midnight **16 March 2020**.

Following the period of formal consultation, the Council will consider valid representations and prepare a report summarising the main issues raised and how they can be addressed in the Local Plan before next consultation on the publication draft takes place in Autumn 2020.

5 Appendix C – Press release



Help shape the future of Barnet

Looking ahead to 2036, the new Local Plan sets out how Barnet will benefit from well planned growth focused on town centres and places with good public transport, as these are the most sustainable places where Barnet can successfully grow and meet the needs of a growing population.

We would like your views on this strategy to ensure that as Barnet grows it continues to be a place where people choose to make their home. Have your say: engage.barnet.gov.uk/Draft-Local-Plan-Consultation

6 Appendix D - online survey

**Barnet Council's
Draft Local Plan
(Reg 18)
Preferred Approach
Consultation**

27 January 2020 – 16 March 2020
Consultation Questionnaire

Introduction

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The Council is undertaking consultation on this draft Local Plan and welcomes your input on a document which will have an impact on the people who live, work, operate a business or visit the Borough as well as future generations.

Thank you for your time - your participation in this important consultation is greatly appreciated.

Further information is available from the Planning Policy team at forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk or on 020 8359 3000.

How to Provide Your Views

Please take the time to read the draft Local Plan before completing this questionnaire.

The draft Local Plan and accompanying documents can be viewed online at:

- Engage Barnet - <https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>

Reference copies of the draft Local Plan and accompanying documents are available at the following locations:

- London Borough of Barnet Planning Reception, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW (Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9am– 1pm)
- Local libraries (check <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/libraries/library-opening-times> for library opening times)

Completed questionnaires can be sent to the council by:

- Emailing – forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk
- Posting – Planning Policy Team, 7th Floor, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW

Data Protection and Confidentiality

The council does not collect personal information in this questionnaire, which means the information you provide is anonymous. We do not ask for your name, address, email address, telephone number, full post code or any other information that would allow us to identify you. The information you choose to give us in the equalities questions is also anonymous so we cannot identify you from it.

Since the data we collect is anonymous, it is not considered to be personal data under data protection legislation (such as the General Data Protection Regulation or the Data Protection Act 2018).

You can read more about Barnet's privacy statement here: www.barnet.gov.uk/privacy. If you have any questions about this statement please email first.contact@barnet.gov.uk.

How to Complete this Questionnaire

We have tried to make this questionnaire as easy as possible to complete.

The questionnaire is in chapter order and asks for comments on each chapter of the draft Local Plan. We have provided a summary of the chapter at the beginning of each section but please do take the time to read the whole chapter before commenting. Details of where to view the draft Local Plan can be found in the above section on 'How to Provide Your Views'.

If you do find you need more space to write your comments, please include additional pages with this questionnaire indicating which question you are commenting on. Alternatively, please email your comments to forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk

We really value your views. The questionnaire will take approximately thirty minutes to complete.

Section 1: Chapter 1 - Introduction

This chapter provides an overview of the Local Plan document, its relationship to other plans, policies and strategies, and the Local Plan timetable.

1. Do you want to comment on Chapter 1 - Introduction? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 2
No Go to Section 3, Q 3

Section 2: Chapter 1 - Introduction (Continued)

2. Do you have any comments on the Introduction? (Please type in your comments)

Section 3: Chapter 2 – Challenges and Opportunities

This Chapter provides an overview of Barnet and sets out the challenges and opportunities it faces.

Chapter 2 – Challenges and Opportunities is available to be viewed [here](#).

3. Do you want to comment on Chapter 2 – Challenges and Opportunities? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 4
No Go to Section 5, Q 5

Section 4: Chapter 2 – Challenges and Opportunities (Continued)

4. Do you have any comments on the Challenges and Opportunities? (Please type in your comments)

Section 5: Chapter 3 – Barnet’s Vision and Objectives

This Chapter sets out Barnet’s vision. The vision forms the heart of the Local Plan. Upon this vision there are a series of key objectives that underpin the 51 policies in the Local Plan. This Chapter also sets out the preferred strategy to meet the challenges Barnet faces and shows this through the Key Diagram.

Chapter 3 – Barnet’s Vision and Objectives is available to be viewed [here](#).

5. Do you want to comment on Chapter 3 – Barnet’s Vision and Objectives? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 6
No Go to Section 7, Q 9

Section 6: Chapter 3 – Barnet’s Vision and Objectives (Continued)

6. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Vision and Objectives? (Please tick one option only)

Strongly agree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tend to agree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neither agree nor disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tend to disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Don't know / not sure	<input type="checkbox"/>

7. Please give reasons why you agree or disagree with our Vision and Objectives? (Please type in your comments)

8. Do you have any comments on Barnet's Spatial Strategy (BSS01) or the Alternative Options for BSS01? (Please type in your comments)

Section 7: Chapter 4 – Growth and Spatial Strategy

This Chapter sets out Barnet's growth requirements together with a suite of 13 strategic policies that seek to deliver this growth. These strategic policies form the spine of the Local Plan.

- Policy GSS01 Delivering Sustainable Growth
- Policy GSS02 Brent Cross Growth Area
- Policy GSS03 Brent Cross West Growth Area
- Policy GSS04 Cricklewood Growth Area
- Policy GSS05 Edgware Growth Area
- Policy GSS06 Colindale Growth Area
- Policy GSS07 Mill Hill East
- Policy GSS08 Barnet's Town Centres
- Policy GSS09 Existing & Major New Transport Infrastructure
- Policy GSS10 Estate Renewal
- Policy GSS11 Major Thoroughfares
- Policy GSS12 Car Parks

Policy GSS13 Strategic Parks and Recreation

Chapter 4 – Growth and Spatial Strategy is available to be viewed [here](#).

9. Do you want to comment on Chapter 4 – Growth and Spatial Strategy?
(Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 10
No Go to Section 9, Q 12

Section 8: Chapter 4 – Growth and Spatial Strategy (Continued)

10. Do you have any comments on the policies in the Growth and Spatial Strategy Chapter ? Please highlight the policy you are commenting on (Please type in your answer)

11. Do you have any comments on the Alternative Options for Growth and Spatial Strategy ? (Please type in your comments)

Section 9: Chapter 5 - Housing

This Chapter sets out how the Local Plan will respond to a changing population, building new homes to widen choice and housing options, ensuring access to affordable, good quality housing as well as protecting existing stock. The Local Plan’s approach to housing is set out in a suite of seven policies as follows:

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| Policy HOU01 | Affordable Housing |
| Policy HOU02 | Housing Mix |
| Policy HOU03 | Residential Conversions |
| Policy HOU04 | Specialist Housing |
| Policy HOU05 | Efficient Use of Barnet’s Housing Stock |
| Policy HOU06 | Meeting Other Housing Needs |

Policy HOU07 Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople

Chapter 5 – Housing is available to be viewed [here](#).

12. Do you want to comment on Chapter 5 - Housing? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 13
No Go to Section 11, Q 15

Section 10: Chapter 5 - Housing (Continued)

13. Do you have any comments on the policies in the Housing Chapter? Please highlight the policy you are commenting on (Please type in your answer)

14. Do you have any comments on the Alternative Options for Housing? (Please type in your comments)

Section 11: Chapter 6 – Character, Design and Heritage

This Chapter sets parameters for managing change ensuring positive benefits of growth and that Barnet does not lose the qualities that attract people to live, work and visit the Borough. An appropriate balance must be struck which involves new development responding to existing character, appearance and scale. This is set out in a suite of nine policies as follows:

- | | |
|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Policy CDH01 | Promoting High Quality Design |
| Policy CDH02 | Sustainable and Inclusive Design |
| Policy CDH03 | Public Realm |

Policy CDH04	Tall Buildings
Policy CDH05	Extensions
Policy CDH06	Basements
Policy CDH07	Amenity Space and Landscaping
Policy CDH08	Barnet's Heritage
Policy CDH09	Advertisements

Chapter 6 – Character, Design and Heritage is available to be viewed [here](#).

15. Do you want to comment on Chapter 6 – Character, Design and Heritage?
(Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 16
No Go to Section 13, Q 18

Section 12: Chapter 6 – Character, Design and Heritage (Continued)

16. Do you have any comments on the policies in the Character, Design and Heritage Chapter? Please highlight the policy you are commenting on
(Please type in your answer)

17. Do you have any comments on the Alternative Options for Character, Design and Heritage? (Please type in your comments)

Section 13: Chapter 7 – Town Centres

This Chapter sets out how town centres, local centres and parades can adapt to a changing commercial environment, helping such locations move away from the traditional shopping format to provide a wider range of uses and innovative spaces. The Local Plan approach to town centres is set out in a suite of four policies as follows:

Policy TOW01	Vibrant Town Centres
Policy TOW02	Development principles in Barnet's Town Centres, Local Centres and Parades
Policy TOW03	Managing Clustering of Town Centre Uses
Policy TOW04	Night –Time Economy

Chapter 7 – Town Centres is available to be viewed [here](#).

18. Do you want to comment on Chapter 7 – Town Centres? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 19
No Go to Section 15, Q 21

Section 14: Chapter 7 – Town Centres (Continued)

19. Do you have any comments on the policies in the Town Centres Chapter? Please highlight the policy you are commenting on (Please type in your answer)

20. Do you have any comments on the Alternative Options for Town Centres? (Please type in your comments)

Section 15: Chapter 8 – Community Uses, Health and Wellbeing

This Chapter sets out how in responding to population change the Local Plan can promote healthier lives for residents and help deliver new social infrastructure in more accessible locations such as town centres which are more capable of serving local needs. The Local Plan approach to community uses, health and wellbeing is set out in a suite of four policies as follows. (Policy CHW03 was moved to the Growth and Spatial Strategy Chapter)

Policy CHW01	Community Infrastructure
Policy CHW02	Promoting health and wellbeing
Policy CHW04	Making Barnet a safer place
Policy CHW05	Protecting Public Houses

Chapter 8 – Community Uses, Health and Wellbeing is available to be viewed [here](#).

21. Do you want to comment on Chapter 8 – Community Uses, Health and Wellbeing? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 22
No Go to Section 17, Q 24

Section 16: Chapter 8 – Community Uses, Health and Wellbeing (Continued)

22. Do you have any comments on the policies in the Community Uses, Health and Wellbeing Chapter? Please highlight the policy you are commenting on (Please type in your answer)

23. Do you have any comments on the Alternative Options for Community Uses, Health and Wellbeing? (Please type in your comments)

Section 17: Chapter 9 - Economy

This Chapter sets out how the Local Plan can help to provide the conditions that modern businesses are seeking and thereby foster an economically sustainable place where residents have access to local jobs and services. The Local Plan approach on the economy is set out in a suite of three policies as follows:

Policy ECY01	A Vibrant Local Economy
Policy ECY02	Affordable Workspace
Policy ECY03	Local Jobs, Skills and Training

Chapter 9 - Economy is available to be viewed [here](#).

24. Do you want to comment on Chapter 9 - Economy? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 25
No Go to Section 19, Q 27

Section 18: Chapter 9 - Economy (Continued)

25. Do you have any comments on the policies in the Economy Chapter? Please highlight the policy you are commenting on (Please type in your answer)

26. Do you have any comments on the Alternative Options for Economy? (Please type in your comments)

Section 19: Chapter 10 - Environment and Climate Change

This Chapter sets out how through the Local Plan the Council will manage growth to help deliver a clean, pleasant and well-maintained environment as part of its approach to the mitigation of, and adaptation, to climate change. The Local Plan's approach to the Environment and Climate Change is set out in a suite of six policies as follows:

Policy ECC01	Mitigating Climate Change
Policy ECC02	Environmental Considerations
Policy ECC03	Dealing with waste
Policy ECC04	Barnet's Parks and Open Spaces
Policy ECC05	Green Belt and Metropolitan Open Land
Policy ECC06	Biodiversity

Chapter 10 - Environment and Climate Change is available to be viewed [here](#).

27. Do you want to comment on Chapter 10 - Environment and Climate Change? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 28
No Go to Section 21, Q 30

Section 20: Chapter 10 - Environment and Climate Change (Continued)

28. Do you have any comments on the policies in the Environment and Climate Change Chapter? Please highlight the policy you are commenting on (Please type in your answer)

29. Do you have any comments on the Alternative Options for Environment and Climate Change? (Please type in your comments)

Section 21: Chapter 11 – Transport and Communications

This Chapter sets out how the Local Plan is seeking to improve connectivity in terms of sustainable and active travel as well as digital communication while helping to improve air quality and the health of residents. The Local Plan's approach to Transport and Communications is set out in a suite of four policies as follows:

Policy TRC01	Sustainable and Active Travel
Policy TRC02	Transport Infrastructure
Policy TRC03	Parking management
Policy TRC04	Digital Communication and Connectivity

Chapter 11 – Transport and Communications is available to be viewed [here](#).

30. Do you want to comment on Chapter 11 – Transport and Communications?
(Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 31
No Go to Section 23, Q 33

Section 22: Chapter 11 – Transport and Communications (Continued)

31. Do you have any comments on the policies in the Transport and Communications Chapter? Please highlight the policy you are commenting on (Please type in your answer)

32. Do you have any comments on the Alternative Options for Transport and Communications? (Please type in your comments)

Section 23: Chapter 12 - Delivering the Local Plan

This Chapter explains mechanisms for ensuring the infrastructure to support growth is secured.

Chapter 12 - Delivering the Local Plan is available to be viewed [here](#).

33. Do you want to comment on Chapter 12 - Delivering the Local Plan? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 34
No Go to Section 25, Q
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Section 24: Chapter 12 - Delivering the Local Plan (Continued)

34. Do you have any comments on the approach to delivering the Local Plan? (Please type in your answer)

Section 25: The Schedule of Site Proposals

The Schedule of Proposals sets out 67 site proposals from across Barnet. All site proposals have been subject to a rigorous assessment of their suitability as deliverable or developable sites between 2021 and 2036.

The Schedule of Site Proposals is available to be viewed [here](#).

35. Do you want to comment on The Schedule of Site Proposals? (Please tick one option only)

- Yes Go to Q 36
No Go to Section 26 Q 37

Section 25: The Schedule of Site Proposals (Continued)

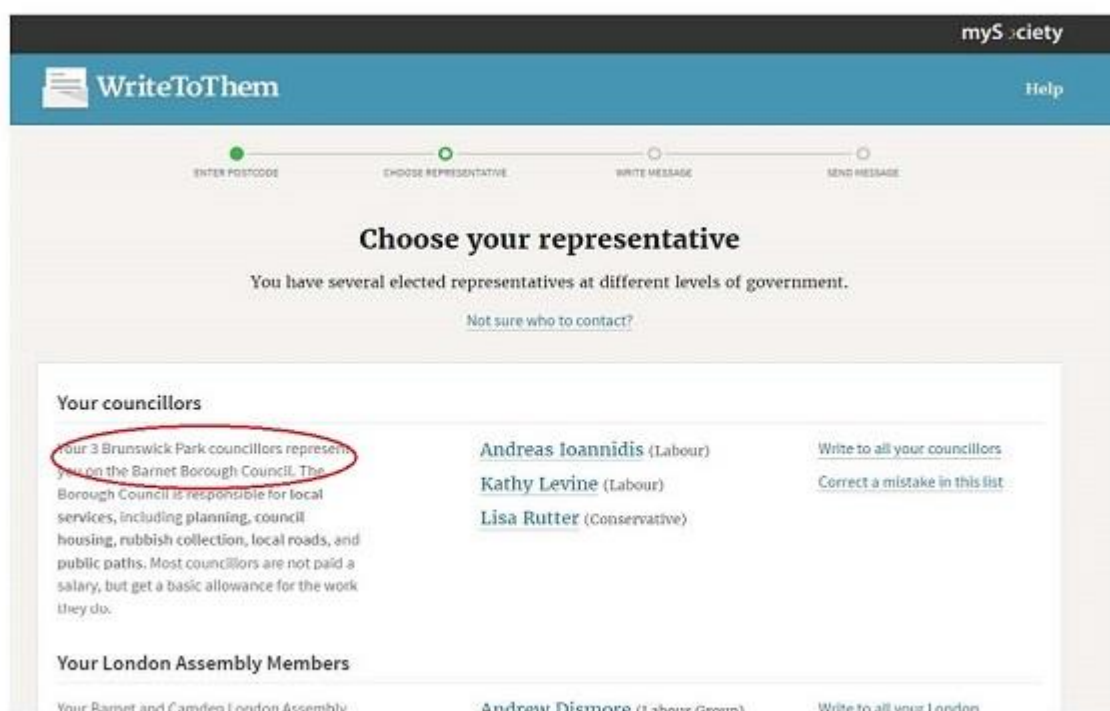
36. Please provide your comments on the Schedule of Sites. Please highlight the proposal site you are commenting on (Please type in your answer)

Section 26: About you

When consulting with our residents and service users Barnet Council needs to understand the views of our different communities.

So that we can analyse the findings by different locations in the borough, please can you provide the Barnet ward that you live in.

If you do not know the Barnet ward that you live in you can find it by visiting <https://www.writetothem.com/> and entering your postcode. You should then see a page like the image below - you will find the name of your ward on the left-hand side of the page under the heading "Your councillors". In this example, the name of the ward is Brunswick Park.



37. Which ward do you live in? If you live outside Barnet please tick other and specify: (Please tick one option only)

Brunswick Park	<input type="checkbox"/>
Burnt Oak	<input type="checkbox"/>
Childs Hill	<input type="checkbox"/>
Colindale	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coppetts	<input type="checkbox"/>
East Barnet	<input type="checkbox"/>
East Finchley	<input type="checkbox"/>
Edgware	<input type="checkbox"/>
Finchley Church End	<input type="checkbox"/>
Garden Suburb	<input type="checkbox"/>
Golders Green	<input type="checkbox"/>

Hale	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hendon	<input type="checkbox"/>
High Barnet	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mill Hill	<input type="checkbox"/>
Oakleigh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Totteridge	<input type="checkbox"/>
Underhill	<input type="checkbox"/>
West Finchley	<input type="checkbox"/>
West Hendon	<input type="checkbox"/>
Woodhouse	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

To help us understand the feedback you give us, please tell us in what capacity you are responding.

38. Are you responding as: (Please tick one option only)

A Barnet resident	<input type="checkbox"/>
A person who works in the London Borough of Barnet area	<input type="checkbox"/>
A Barnet business	<input type="checkbox"/>
Representing a voluntary/community organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Representing a public sector organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

39. Please specify the type of stakeholders or residents your community group or voluntary organisation represents (Please type in your answer)

41. Are you currently employed, self-employed, retired or otherwise not in paid work? (Please tick one option only)

An employee in a full-time job (31 hours or more per week)	<input type="checkbox"/>
An employee in a part time job (Less than 31 hours per week)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-employed (full or part-time)	<input type="checkbox"/>

On a Government supported training programme (e.g. Modern Apprenticeship or Training for Work)	<input type="checkbox"/>
In full-time education at school, college or university	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unemployed and available for work	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permanently sick or disabled	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wholly retired from work	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not in work and not available for work, e.g. in a carer role	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>
Doing something else	<input type="checkbox"/>

Does your household own or rent your accommodation? (Please tick one option only)

Owned with a mortgage or loan	<input type="checkbox"/>
Owned outright	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other owned	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rented from Council	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rented from a Housing Association or another Registered Social Landlord	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rented from a private landlord	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other rented or living here rent free	<input type="checkbox"/>
Part rent and part mortgage (shared ownership)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 27: Diversity monitoring

The Equality Act 2010 identifies nine protected characteristics: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation, and requires the council to pay due regard to equalities in eliminating unlawful discrimination, advancing equality of opportunity and fostering good relations between people from different groups. We ask questions about the groups so that we can assess any impact of our services and practices on different groups. The information we collect helps the council to check that our policies and services are fair and accessible.

Collecting this information will help us understand the needs of our different communities and we encourage you to complete the following questions.

All your answers will be treated in confidence and will be stored securely in an anonymous format. All information will be stored in accordance with our responsibilities under the Data Protection Act 1998.

For the purposes of this questionnaire we are asking all the questions regarding the protected characteristics included in the Equality Act 2010.

42. In which age group do you fall? (Please tick one option only)

16-17	<input type="checkbox"/>	55-64	<input type="checkbox"/>
18-24	<input type="checkbox"/>	65-74	<input type="checkbox"/>
25-34	<input type="checkbox"/>	75+	<input type="checkbox"/>
35-44	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>
45-54	<input type="checkbox"/>		

43. Are you: (Please tick one option only)

Male	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q 46
Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q 45
Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q 46

If you prefer to use your own term please provide it here: (Please write in your answer)

44. Are you pregnant and/or on maternity leave? (Please tick one option on each row)

	Yes	No	Prefer not to say
I am pregnant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am currently on maternity leave	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

45. Is your gender identity the same as the sex you were registered at birth? (Please tick one option only)

Yes, it's the same	No, it's different	Prefer not to say
<input type="checkbox"/> Go to Q48	<input type="checkbox"/> Go to Q47	<input type="checkbox"/> Go to Q48

46. If you answered no, please enter the term you use to describe your gender:
(Please type in your answer)

47. What is your ethnic origin? (Please tick one option only)

Asian / Asian British		Other ethnic group	
Bangladeshi	<input type="checkbox"/>	Arab	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other ethnic group (✓ AND WRITE BELOW)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indian	<input type="checkbox"/>	White	
Pakistani	<input type="checkbox"/>	British	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any other Asian background (✓ AND WRITE BELOW)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Greek / Greek Cypriot	<input type="checkbox"/>
Black / African / Caribbean / Black British		Gypsy or Irish Traveller	<input type="checkbox"/>
African	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irish	<input type="checkbox"/>
British	<input type="checkbox"/>	Turkish / Turkish Cypriot	<input type="checkbox"/>
Caribbean	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other White background (✓ AND WRITE BELOW)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any other Black / African / Caribbean background (✓ AND WRITE BELOW)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mixed / Multiple ethnic groups			
White & Asian	<input type="checkbox"/>		
White & Black African	<input type="checkbox"/>		
White & Black Caribbean	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any other Mixed / Multiple ethnic background (✓ AND WRITE BELOW)	<input type="checkbox"/>		

The Equality Act 2010 defines disability as ‘a physical or mental impairment that has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities’.

In this definition, long- term means more than 12 months and would cover long-term illness such as cancer and HIV or mental health problems.

48. Do you consider that you have a disability as outlined above? (Please tick one option only)

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q50
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to Q51
Prefer not to say		

49. If you have answered 'yes', please select the definition(s) from the list below that best describes your disability/disabilities:

Hearing (such as deaf, partially deaf or hard of hearing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reduced Physical Capacity (such as inability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects, debilitating pain and lack of strength, breath energy or stamina, asthma, angina or diabetes)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vision (such as blind or fractional/partial sight. Does not include people whose visual problems can be corrected by glasses/contact lenses)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Severe Disfigurement	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Learning Difficulties (such as dyslexia)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speech (such as impairments that can cause communication problems)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Illness (substantial and lasting more than a year, such as severe depression or psychoses)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobility (such as wheelchair user, artificial lower limb(s), walking aids, rheumatism or arthritis)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Physical Co-ordination (such as manual dexterity, muscular control, cerebral palsy)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other disability, please specify			
Prefer not to say <input type="checkbox"/>			

50. What is your religion or belief? (Please tick one option only)

Baha'i	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buddhist	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jewish	<input type="checkbox"/>
Christian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Muslim	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hindu	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sikh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Humanist	<input type="checkbox"/>	No Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>

Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other religion/belief (Please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>
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51. What is your sexual orientation? (Please tick one option only)

Heterosexual	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gay or Lesbian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bisexual	<input type="checkbox"/>		

52. In addition, if you prefer to define your sexuality in terms other than those used above, please let us know below: (Please type in your answer)

53. What is your marital status? (Please tick one option only)

Single	<input type="checkbox"/>	Widowed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Co-habiting	<input type="checkbox"/>	In a same sex civil partnership	<input type="checkbox"/>
Married	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>
Divorced <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Thank you for taking part in our questionnaire.
Please return your questionnaire to
**London Borough of Barnet, Planning Policy, 7th Floor, 2 Bristol Avenue,
London, NW9 4EW**
to arrive before **16 March 2020**.

7 Appendix E - Consultation Events

This table provides an overview of all the consultation and engagement events held across the Borough throughout the duration of the seven week consultation period in 2020 on the Regulation 18 Draft Local Plan.

Events/Meeting Name & Date	Feedback
<p>Federation of Residents Association (FORAB)</p> <p>15th Jan 7.30-9.30pm Trinity Church, Finchley Central</p>	<p>FORAB welcomed certain policies (extensions, conversions, basements etc) and the site allocations list, and commented that the Council was at least being open and transparent. Concerns were raised with regards to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing numbers and sites (why 46,000 new homes as housing target and not the lower number of 31,000 of the London Plan • Concerns about mismatch between housing target and population projections • Dwelling mix policy must safeguard against pocket homes • Want more details of where 46,000 new homes will be delivered • Resolving issues about small sites and infill development. • Tall buildings policy (why so high, also discrepancy in text and policy – exceeding 14 or up to 14). • Extensions policy commendable but need further details on the word “redevelopment” in the policy, it will encourage people to replace one unit with 15 flats, so make it more explicit, can the plan say that it will not only apply to town centres only but to suburbs as well. • Evidence on Employment and Town Centres doesn’t tally with what’s happening in reality, t offices are being converted and secondary frontages being removed so question 67,000 sqm of employment space and 110,000sqm of retail space • Transport – Rail services and public transport big hole in the doc, future of CPZs in Barnet..

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns about infrastructure provision to support growth. • Site allocations not showing heights, bulk, massing etc (not in line with the London Plan).
<p>Health & Wellbeing Board 16th Jan 9am Hendon Town Hall</p>	<p>A formal response from the Health and Wellbeing Board has been submitted as part of the Reg 18 consultation . The meeting raised the following issues :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to public drinking water fountains • More support for tackling climate change on existing housing stock. • Why is the provision of wheelchair accessible housing only 10%, and how much of this will be affordable? • How is Barnet as a ‘family friendly’ borough reflected in the policies? • Would like to see support for special needs changing facilities in parks and open spaces. • How is the impact of new development in other boroughs and cross borough infrastructure impact taken into account? • Clarification on working with HMO Licencing
<p>Schools – Directors Briefing to Chairs and Vice-Chairs 22nd January 7pm Hendon Town Hall</p>	<p>Concerns raised about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of affordable housing and provision of keyworker housing – in particular for teachers. • Impact of this level of growth and the timely provision of infrastructure. • Clarification on the existing development pipeline and infrastructure commitments. • Nature of the jobs delivery – what type of employment is expected. • Engagement with young people on the Local Plan. • Specific issues with improved GP premises in Colindale needed to match levels of growth • Specific issue about loss of car parking provision in Lodge Lane Car Park.
<p>Safer Communities Partnership Board 24th Jan 9am Hendon Town Hall</p>	<p>Safer Communities Partnership Board. The meeting raised the following issues :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Plan won’t be adopted until 2021/22 so how can Barnet control planning decisions before then? • The London Plan housing target has been lowered; why not accept this as Barnet’s target instead of the 46k?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barnet does not have a significant night time economy and should not seek to increase it due to the anti-social problems it would generate. • Police need to be involved in planning applications and new plan planning documents. • Concern over the impact of tall buildings on the borough, repeating mistakes of 1960s and tall building residents developing mental health problems • Is the new housing being provided for local people or to settle new people into the borough? • How to ensure sufficient supporting services are provided, e.g. child nursery places? • Provision of CCTV in new developments can be important for community safety. New developments must avoid negatively affecting the performance of existing CCTV. • Would like there to be a commitment to ensure employment opportunities for ex-offenders.
<p>Federation of Small Businesses monthly Barnet Breakfast 4th Feb 8-10am, The Bohemia</p>	<p>Expressed concerns about car parking provision – especially in North Finchley – and the impact it has on trade. In addition the group also highlighted concerns about the affordability of housing, and quality of the retail offer.</p>
<p>Job Centre Plus Barnet 5th Feb 10am</p>	<p>Expressed concerns about :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loss of car parking around tube stations as staff from Hertfordshire use these station car parks to access central London meetings and training. • Local economy benefits from access to local jobs. • Need to secure S106 contributions for skills and training from development. Welcomed the specific SPD on securing S106. • improvements to transport accessibility. • need for more affordable homes
<p>Boroughwide event (1 of 3)</p>	<p>Expressed concerns about :</p>

<p>(Finchley and Golders Green Constituency)</p> <p>Wednesday 5th Feb 6-8.30pm (drop-in from 6.30-8pm) St Paul's Church, Finchley</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lack of publicity for this public meeting and the perception that the Council will not listen• Proposals for Finchley Central Station• Development underway at Victoria Park• Conflict of interest from Capita Re in terms of its plan-making role and development management function• Consultation by Barnet planners is actually more thorough than other boroughs• As Council benefits from New Homes Bonus for completions it's driven by numbers• Definition of affordable housing and the split between intermediate and rented• Clarification on affordable rent requirements• If 35% is required for affordable housing, what's the other 65% meant for?• Impact of Brexit on housing numbers – surely they will be reduced• Need more details on jobs numbers• Given the level of growth there should be more retail space• Why can't these policies in particular the one on tall buildings be used to stop Finchley Central development proposals?• Town centres are the most sustainable locations for growth• Clarification on the Mayor's planning powers• Car parking policy is too restrictive• Local List consultation – failed to engage wide enough although Finchley Society was involved• Need to withdraw permitted development rights in order to stop people paving over front gardens• Local Plan can have aspirations – it doesn't have to be set out in another document• More linkages with the Long Term Transport Strategy• Infrastructure delivery does not match growth• Greater clarification required on the support available through S106 and CIL.
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<p>The Professionals and Young People’s Forum (planning session)</p> <p>7th Feb all day, Colindale</p>	<p>Specific concerns were expressed about :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tall buildings – accept there will be more of them but excessive heights need to be controlled. • Quality of town centres and overall offer from range of shops, options for fast food, places to hang out and leisure and creative activities that are attractive to young people • Safety concerns in parks and town centres highlighted and poor quality of street lighting • Bus services – ease of getting across the Borough • Cycling – more attractive if streets are safer – cycle lanes too narrow
<p>Age UK Barnet -Burnt Oak</p> <p>10th Feb 10.20am-12pm Burnt Oak Library</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlighted concerns about Engagement with elderly people and what the Local Plan offer was for this group • High housing numbers and the housing target of 46,000 new homes by 2036 • impact of residential conversions in their areas • significant development at Colindale and West Hendon and the tall buildings • housing growth not being matched by increase in number of GPs and hospitals • housing not currently affordable • who these houses were for and why they are so unaffordable • car parking impacts from recently built schools • role of Barnet Homes in the Local Plan • Knock on effects for residential streets from removing car-parking at tube stations
<p>Boroughwide event (2 of 3) (Hendon Constituency)</p> <p>Monday 10th Feb 6-8.30pm (drop-in from 6.30-8pm) Colindale offices</p>	<p>Concerns raised about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why can’t Plan say more about design and building beautiful? • Capacity of Colindale to take more growth – it sounds as if the Plan wants 46,000 new homes in Colindale • Precedent set by the proposed Colindale Station development for height and densification • Infrastructure delivery has not matched growth • Capacity of Colindale Station to handle growth • Lack of transport modelling behind growth

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of public provision of car parking spaces in Colindale • Colindale Library sign points the wrong way • Why 46,000 new homes when there are only going to be 60,000 more people by 2036? • What's the average household size in the Borough? • How is the Plan addressing the problem of overcrowded households? • Proposed development to Bunns Lane Car Park – concerns about overspill car parking • People need to park to get into London otherwise they will drive all the way in • Need for Step free access at Mill Hill Broadway station • Object to development at Site 9 - Colindeep Lane and impact on biodiversity • Impact of Council / Middlesex University proposals in Hendon • Students added to local GP lists in Hendon increasing waiting times for local residents • Studentification in Hendon • Car parking policy is too restrictive • Greater clarification required on the support available through S106 and CIL.
<p>Boroughwide event (3 of 3) (Chipping Barnet Constituency –</p> <p>Tuesday 11th Feb 6-8.30pm (drop-in from 6.30- 8pm) Barnet House</p>	<p>Concerns raised about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council spending cuts especially in terms of cuts to Libraries • Enforcement powers to be used on industrial uses at Oakleigh Road South • Proposed development at High Barnet Station • Displaced car parking from station development • Clarification on NLBP proposals • Servicing issues on residential infill sites • Council needs a more joined up approach on parking management • The borough of Barnet not just the neighbourhood • Car parking policy is too restrictive • Opportunities for basement parking should be supported

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater clarification required on the support available through S106 and CIL – want to know more on how it is spent • How to object to the Local Plan • Commenting on the Integrated Impact Assessment • Addressing space requirements of sports clubs.
<p>Age UK Barnet - Edgware 13th Feb 2.15-3.30pm Edgware Library</p>	<p>Expressed concerns about :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers drafting the plan are not from the Council but Re, the commercial organisation of Capita granting applications for their own vested interests. • Social infrastructure i.e. GP/Hospitals waiting times, • Tall buildings and mental health issues, • Why is Edgware getting more high rises and shops closing down? • No public toilets in Edgware town centre, • No sufficient social infrastructure generated by development at Spur Road or at Colindale.Edgware will be just the same. • Where is the new infrastructure to accompany the new homes being proposed? • The Council has very poor customer service. No evidence that they listen..
<p>Children and Young People’s Board 13th February 2020 at 4.30pm at NLBP</p>	<p>Highlighted the following issues :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilise the child poverty report from Barnet; latest Autism Strategy; • Children’s survey from 2019 highlights knife crime and how young people fear walking in dark due to no lights or badly designed buildings and alleyways. • Failure to cover infrastructure provision especially schools. • Sites densities were criticised for being unrealistic. • The Board requested a separate session on areas related to children and young people’s needs .
<p>CommuniTY Barnet- the Hub Connections 20th Feb at , 10am</p>	<p>Highlighted the following :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue of trust with the Council and ability to respond to the concerns of residents. An example of this was . the green waste collection consultation • lack of provision for affordable housing that is really affordable

<p>Meritage Centre in Hendon</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • health and wellbeing needs to be sufficiently supported in the Local Plan.
<p>Barnet Multi Faith Forum Thursday 20th Feb at 9.30am at Trinity Church Colindale</p>	<p>Raised concerns about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community meeting place provision as part of infrastructure delivery • The Plan should not just consider faith groups in terms of their contribution to community cohesion. Faith groups have a wider role to play • Plan needs to reflect the religious diversity of the Borough in setting the context • Greater clarification required on the support available through S106 and CIL.
<p>MENCAP Barnet Monday 24th February 3.45-5.15pm</p>	<p>Highlighted concerns about :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to Freedom Passes and Blue Badges is more restrictive. Dial-a-Ride now requires payment. The freedom to travel around the Borough is becoming harder which reduces opportunities particularly in terms of work • an increase in vandalism in the Borough • Feeling vulnerable and unsafe, especially at night, as residential streets are not well lit and need brighter street lights • Concerns around affordable housing and access to supported housing in the borough as well as support workers to facilitate this access • Ensuring that green spaces can continue to be enjoyed • difficult to get across the borough on public transport • Emphasised the importance of having spaces such as t community centres to meet friends and places for activity clubs especially for art
<p>Langley Park Residents' Association and Mill Hill Resident's Association Monday 24th February 7-8.30pm Colindale Offices</p>	<p>Concerns raised about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision for biodiversity including bats and targets for tree planting • Delivery and size of family homes • Protect the openness of the Green Belt and the principle of just using footprints • Application of residential space standards • High densities not appropriate on the Ridgeway • More details on future of Mill Hill Neighbourhood Plan • Powers of Mayor of London and Secretary of State in terms of Pentavia and NIMR • Future of the draft London Plan for decision making • How is the Local Plan going to mitigate climate change?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing household sizes and household projections – how do they justify growth? • Partingdale Lane power station – can this be a Local Plan proposal? • Council’s housebuilding programme – why aren’t the Council building more new homes? • Provision in terms of charging points for electric cars • Protecting the Green Belt – • Provision of GPs to match growth – CCG should not be priced out of premises such as at Millbrook Park • Council needs a more joined up and rigorous approach on parking management • People are not going to stop using their cars – problems are just displaced • Local residents also use station car parks • Concerns about proposal wording at Edgware Hospital and Watchtower • Application of car parking standards needs to reflect blue badge holders and consider impact of topography – Bittacy Hill does not encourage cyclists and pedestrians travelling from Mill Hill East station to National Institute for Medical Research development. • Capacity of Mill Hill East Station not matching growth especially with services cut • Displacement of car parking into residential streets from Bunns Lane Car Park – more design parameters in particular on height required • What’s the justification for a hotel – visitors will need car parking
<p>Friern Barnet and Whetstone Residents Association (FBWRA)</p> <p>27th Feb 7.30pm-9.30pm St John Parish Church, Finchley</p>	<p>Concerns raised about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High rise living not suitable for families • Delivery and size of family homes • Residential space requirements including storage space – in comparison to Parker Morris standards • Application of residential space standards • Need to pitch the Plan as the least worst option • Tall buildings proposals repeating past mistakes • More details on proposals for NLBP, in particular the impact on the geese

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council gets New Homes Bonus for completions • Why bother producing a Local Plan given the powers of Mayor of London and Secretary of State? • Provision for Gypsies and Travellers • How is the Plan going to deliver zero carbon? • Do libraries form part of the infrastructure? • Existing household sizes and household projections – how do they justify growth? • Why isn't the Meadow Works a proposal? • Council's housebuilding programme – why aren't the Council building more? • Provision in terms of charging points for electric cars • Support for protecting the Green Belt • Provision of GPs to match growth • Council needs a more joined up and rigorous approach on parking management • People are not going to stop using their cars • Local residents also use station car parks • There is behaviour change amongst younger residents in terms of car ownership and usage • Apps make public transport easier to use. • Station car park development just sends the problem further down the line • Displacement of car parking space from schemes at Coppetts Tesco and Great North Leisure Park
<p>Barnet Youth Board</p> <p>Thursday 27 February 5.30-7.30pm Colindale</p>	<p>Discussions focused on :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality of town centres in particular the public realm and the retail offer. More youth themed leisure activities. There is a need for young people to feel welcomed in town centres rather than as a nuisance. • Transport in particular bus services and the info available at bus stops • Street lighting and safety particularly in town centres • Flood risk is increasing across the Borough • What is the Council doing about the climate emergency ?

<p>Edgware Town Centre Town Team Invitation</p> <p>2nd March at 6.30pm at St Margaret's Church, 1 Station Road Edgware HA8 7JE</p>	<p>Concerns raised about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Previous Council plans in particular the 2013 Town Centre Framework have not led to change in Edgware Town Centre. Why will this be any different?• The impact of building heights, especially tall buildings, on the character of the surrounding area and on neighbour amenity.• How many new residents will there be in 5,000 new homes – what quality of life will new residents have?• A new residential development adjacent to Edgware Primary School has led to overlooking into the playground and cigarette butts being dropped into the school property.• Concerns about anti-social behaviour across the town centre• Lack of public toilets in town centre• Loss of car parking for town centre users.• Provision of disabled spaces• Impact on rent levels – will increased number of new homes help with affordability• Development without parking spaces leading to overspill onto surrounding residential roads.• State of the environment, particularly to the rear of the shopping centre and on the pathways leading past Edgware Primary School.• The state of the Railway Hotel (a local landmark and Grade II listed building). Want to see it repaired and brought back into use.• Too much traffic and congestion on the main roads through the area.• Pollution levels affecting residents, particularly for new residential blocks on major roads.• Edgware hospital site being redeveloped as they want the hospital to stay and for car parking to carry on being provided.• The effect of additional residents putting pressure on education, medical and transport services.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sale of the Broadwalk Centre and what the new owner might mean for the future of Edgware. • Maintaining Edgware’s shops and shopping centre. • Capacity of Underground and Thameslink questioned • A41 and A1 should be shown on Key Diagram
<p>Area Forums (1 of 3) Chipping Barnet Residents Forum</p> <p>4th March 7-10pm Barnet Library</p>	<p>Concerns raised: Evidence on Gypsies and Travellers not considered robust, the plan/evidence base should be updated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • development of 46,000 homes will change Barnet’s character. North London Business Park highlighted as an example of unpopular development • Considerable concern around infrastructure provision and the impact that so many new homes will have on this. • Housing numbers will not stack up. Population projections maybe wrong or the housing number is. People felt that there more evidence needed from the Council on this. • Too many homes based on incorrect figures / population projections • More efforts needed to reach out to people and get them engaged. • Need to separate the planning process from the political process. • Local councillor highlighted that development on station car parks was crazy as people needed to park cars to get to work. Removing car parks at stations runs the risk that people will park in nearby streets / residential areas which creates a new set of problems. • Local councillor highlighted that although not considered a planning matter action is required in terms of rights of access in terms of freeholder rights / building in gardens. • Clarifications requested on definition of Affordable housing
<p>Area Forum (2 of 3) Finchley and Golders Green Residents Forum</p> <p>Venue: Church End Library, 4th March 7-10pm</p>	<p>Concerns raised about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The impact of building heights, especially tall buildings, on the character of the surrounding area and on neighbour amenity. Especially concerned about the height of proposals in Cricklewood, including on the B&Q site, and on the Lodge Lane car park site in North Finchley.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The effect of additional residents putting pressure on education, medical and transport services. • Council allowing NHS locations to be redeveloped for other uses. • Cricklewood' used as a 'dumping ground' for development. • Perceived lack of coordination with adjoining boroughs, especially LB Brent. • Is affordable housing really affordable? • Whether the Local Plan goes far enough in seeking to tackle climate change. • Impact of waste transfer vehicles on quality of life in Cricklewood. • What kind of uses can S106 and CIL money be used for to support areas affected by new development?
<p>Area Forums (3 of 3) Hendon Residents Forum</p> <p>4th March 7-10pm Hendon Town Hall</p>	<p>Highlighted concerns about :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposals by Middlesex University to deliver new student accommodation • How the University and its students have destroyed the community • Council favours the University over the local community • Altercations between residents and students over parking in residential streets. Want more robust car parking controls i.e. CPZ to be put in place. • Crime and anti-social behaviour – with a thriving student focused drugs market operating in the streets around the University – alleyways off Edgerton Gardens were specifically mentioned. • Residents feel less safe as a consequence and don't consider the police response to be adequate. • The residents do not want more student housing in the area.

At all events Council officers provided responses to questions raised and were available for to have more informal discussions with residents and other stakeholders.

8 Appendix F – Summary of comments received via online questionnaire with Responses.

Many of the comments submitted via questionnaire reflect individual written representations on the Reg 18. The responses to these are set out in more detail, particularly on site proposals, in the Reg 18 Schedule of Representations and Responses.

General Comments

- Significant concern that existing infrastructure provision cannot support more growth and development within the Borough.
- Need for more schools, GPs, hospitals etc to support increase in population and housing growth
- Crime and anti-social behaviour is a concern amongst some residents and this is an area that needs more investments and emphasis within the plan.
- Concerns about impact that housing growth would have on roads, congestions and public transport.
- Respondents expressed concern around the consultation process and felt that this was lip service and not meaningful enough. One respondent felt that there should be more consultation events during the week between 9 – 5 for those people who don't work normal working hours.
- Significant concern around housing numbers. Several respondents felt that the target needed to be lowered.
- Concern around development on greenbelt land
- Figure 1 should list the individual frameworks and their versions. There are 11 references to the Policies Map, but there is no link to it and can't find it on the Barnet website.
- Figure 2 is just a list of strategies in diagram form with no relationships. It adds no extra information.
- There should be reference to community engagement going forward
- More suitable and robust tall buildings policy is required to protect the character of existing low-rise areas.
- What about replacing grotty blocks of shops with flats above them and rebuilding a level or two higher with better units at ground level and perhaps underground parking?
- Ensure existing stock of three to five bedroom homes is robustly protected against losses.
- Designating Danegrove Playing Field as a development site is blighting the surrounding area.
- Transport and parking issues in the East of the Borough associated with NLBP and Enfield are not addressed.

- The plan does not address lack of car parking spaces across the borough. It seems as though all car parks in the borough are to be built on so where will people park?
- New developments need multiple car parking spaces per home. There are normally two working individuals per household with two separate vehicles. In addition, there needs to be coverage for water and sewage, and broadband coverage.
- Tube station entrances and exits currently not adequate to deal with expected increased use at peak hours. Tube/bus frequency needs to be increased at/around Finchley Central Station.
- Walking could be more emphasised in transport policies. A strategic walking network should be included highlighting connections between facilities. A Rights of Way Improvement Plan would provide more detail of the objectives of the network.
- Policies to support health and wellbeing through active travel and links to the countryside could be added.
- The plan is not realistic enough with regards to improvement of the housing crisis and employment.
- Road and pavement surfaces and widths need to be improved.
- Transport Needs – parking, tube station entrances and exits not adequate to meet expected increase use at peak hours, increased tubes/bus frequency, more emphasis on walking needed (eg. Walking network), more cycle lanes needed, possibly introducing a tram?
- More policing needed, prosecute fly tippers,
- Infrastructure – road surfaces, road width, roads too congested, pavements, water and sewage, broadband,
- More community/meeting places needed
- Employment – how will the plan provide more opportunities
- Environment - Climate Action Plan? Protecting green spaces/green belt, we don't want a power station!!
- Parts of the document are difficult to digest and understand with too much jargon.
- Concern around some of the evidence base that has been used to inform the plan.
- Questionnaires are unfairly biased towards growth
- Unhappy with the consultation process - residents being left out of process.
- Not written to every householder therefore consultation is invalid
- No discussion with local residents about what they require, just businesses
- Hope further opportunity and simpler shorter ways of consulting
- Document too long to read completely – a page reference would have been useful

- Delay implementation by 6-12 months to allow for covid19 to dissipate

Response on General Comments

- *A prime purpose of the Local Plan is to ensure that growth is supported by infrastructure with funding generated from development in terms of Community Infrastructure Levy and S106. We need to demonstrate this through the Infrastructure Delivery Plan. The infrastructure funding helps to mitigate new growth, it cannot replace funding that has been withdrawn through spending cuts.*
- *The Local Plan has to address many audiences and serve as the framework for planning decisions for at least 5 years. We have added an acronym buster and glossary to help explain the jargon and provided a Q and A webpage to help answer frequently asked questions*
- *Housing target has been reduced in line with the London Plan*
- *There has been an extensive period of engagement on the Reg 18 generating in excess of 2,000 representations from 450 individual representors. Engagement activities included 30 face to face events reaching an estimated audience of 800 persons.*
- *Consultation has been carried out in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement – a formal document which sets out how the Council consults on planning documents, planning applications and other planning matters in Barnet.*
- *The Plan supports active and sustainable travel, promoting modes other than the private car, particularly cycling and walking.*
- *Plan is restrictive on car parking but realistic on car park redevelopment. Car parks particularly in town centres serve an important function but management and more efficient use of space used for parking can be improved.*

Chapter 2 – Challenges and Opportunities

- Concerned about the lack of employment / education opportunities for people living in the borough
- Concerned about the location of new homes.
- Concern around tall buildings, more specifically that tall buildings will have a detrimental impact on health and wellbeing, local areas and amenity.
- Support for development at Brent Cross, however, this needs to be properly integrated with surrounding areas.
- Concerns about green areas being built on.

- Concerns about traffic congestion, high use of cars, parking and air quality. Living not far from the A406 in a very congested area, traffic management and reduction, along with better air quality, are top priorities.
- Owning a car is not the same as using it regularly. It is the type of car (eg. electric) and its frequency of use that is important, not mere ownership.
- With the new development proposal for Finchley Central does not support your approach to the importance of Health and Well-being being supported by the surrounding environment.
- Over development of underground locations will cause enormous disruption and have an adverse effect on local residents. It has not been thought through well enough.
- How will the incredible increase in population be accommodated without affecting the design of space. We will lose the generous outlook of the borough by accepting uncontrolled development pushed forward by Barnet Council contrary to local residents' opinions.
- Expected employment rate: what is that expectation based on? It is difficult to understand how a policy document can make plans without accounting for the current situation.
- Borough to be MORE AMBITIOUS in part: AIM FOR 2030, not 2050 re Zero Carbon
- Your information is too vague and seems to allow things when it feels appropriate. Extra tall building is not ok whether this is classified as suburban or urban.
- Challenge is to develop the borough but keep its identity.

Response on Challenges and Opportunities

- *A key purpose of the Local Plan is about managing change and ensuring that all the qualities that attract people to live in Barnet are retained.*
- *National planning policy supports densification around locations with good public transport access*
- *Air quality is an important priority for the Local Plan*
- *Good growth is socially and economically inclusive as well as environmentally sustainable. It is about utilising Barnet's advantages to deliver sustainable growth that works for everyone, contributing to strong and cohesive, family friendly communities, promoting healthy living and wellbeing, as well as delivering the homes that the Borough needs.*

- *This involves making the Borough a place of economic growth and prosperity, equipping residents, in particular young people to benefit from new opportunities by having the right skills*
- *Through the Local Plan we are creating an environmentally sustainable Barnet that has built resilience to climate change.*

Chapter 3 – Barnet’s Vision and Objectives

- Vision and objectives should include a statement about sustainable growth being achieved in ways that safeguards the character and amenity existing suburban neighbourhoods.
- Vision and objectives should include some about character and amenity and working towards becoming carbon neutral.
- Vision unrealistic.
- Vision and objectives need to be more ambitious.
- The inclusion of Crossrail 2 on the Key Diagram is puzzling. it is misleading to include in the diagram as it will not provide any stimulus for growth in the New Southgate OA.
- Theatres and other cultural venues can help contribute to those objectives, along with supporting the vitality of town centres.
- Environment and good health need to top priority instead of housing and growth. Air quality needs to be improved, more green open spaces needed. Add cycle lanes in parkland to ensure safety of footpaths for older persons.
- Rejuvenation of High Streets could be attempted by making the properties attractive to small, independent retailers e.g by reducing business rates for those under a certain size. or by offering grants for set-up.
- Make a Compulsory Purchase of ALL private golf courses, and convert them into green spaces and playgrounds for all residents of the borough!!!
- The number of dwellings proposed on the Finchley Central station car park site will be catastrophic to the area. It is already highly congested.
- How do you plan on supporting ‘strong and cohesive communities’? What about the current residents and what can be done for them whilst also adding to the sense of community?
- Lack of mention of improving and protecting the blue spaces.
- What will attract new businesses to Barnet town centres?
- There is a discrepancy in the housing targets - 46000 versus 35460 London Plan.

- We were supposed to have a trial cycle route in Friern Barnet (off Friern Barnet Lane) where, if successful, we were promised would be permanent. This never happened.
- It is completely laughable that Barnet thinks the homes being built here are affordable.
- There is a need for care homes for the elderly and for the disabled
- There are very few shops and restaurants/pubs in Colindale town centre. The town centres will need to attract a lot more shops and restaurants/pubs, including independent ones, to act as a draw for money to be spent in the area.
- There must also be ALOT more buses at shorter intervals, arriving more regularly.
- What is the evidence for the need for more retail space anywhere when so many local shops are empty and businesses are continuing to close?
- Guidelines for appearance of fascias, signage and window treatments would help to improve the visual environment.
- There are already many empty offices in the borough. Where will new demand come from?
- Does the growth strategy take into consideration the new ward boundaries and provisions for the new ward councillor ratio per head of ward population.

Response on Barnet's Vision and Objectives

- *Vision and Objectives have been revised to better reflect the Borough's natural and historic environments as well as emphasising that Barnet is a family friendly place.*
- *Ensuring town centres recover from the impact of COVID19 is emphasised.*
- *Approach on offices and retail space has changed following the changes to the Use Classes Order in 2020.*
- *Key Diagram has been revised.*
- *Crossrail 2 delivery now not expected within lifetime of the Local Plan.*
- *New ward boundaries from May 2022 will be reflected in the Local Plan when adopted in late 2022.*
- *Housing target reflects London Plan.*
- *Ensuring that the Borough retains the qualities that make it attractive while also accommodating the needs of future generations for new homes, jobs and infrastructure is a role for the new Barnet Local Plan.*

Chapter 4 – Growth and Spatial Strategy

- Under policy GSS06, more lighting needed at Colindale and pavements need to be widened. More parking also needs to be provided.
- Public realm around Brent Cross needs improved.
- More homes in the borough is going to mean more pollution and environmental problems.
- Need to protect the green belt from development. Concerned about the development of gas station on green belt land. New homes are needed but these should go elsewhere, in more appropriate locations. Building lots of tall buildings will deter people from living here along with high council tax, high parking charges and high crime rates.
- Turn Brent Cross into a park and ride for London with the introduction of the ULEZ.
- Borough not able to accommodate 46,000 new homes. Housing targets not realistic and ill thought out. Need to build elsewhere.
- Identifying and allocating the necessary quantum of land that is appropriate for residential development is crucial, and it is therefore suggested that the Council align with the 'Intend to Publish' small sites target and find any additional sites needed to address the small site shortfall.
- The strategy should place a greater emphasis on maximising delivery on land near stations.
- The policy appears to hinge primarily on a significant increase in vehicle movements rather than on a principle of reducing reliance on the car...Needs a stronger emphasis on active and sustainable modes of transport.
- There should be more explicit support in this policy for the principle of taller buildings and higher densities in the district centres, particularly where they are adjacent to transport hubs or existing clusters of taller buildings.
- By developing Colindale and then not allowing others to park in the surrounding area, the council is penalising other residents who need to use Colindale.
- Montrose Ave may have a new Youth Club but for some reason, the pavement is now widen which means the road is narrower, creating problems for drivers.
- Developing Brent Cross and making the shopping centre is a wrong model as people are less likely to visit the shops and use internet shopping.
- Brent Cross growth has all but come to a stop in terms of the shopping centre - what are you doing about looking in particular at the number of restaurants in the area - there needs to be healthy options for all and these are not always apparent.

- Figure 3 Housing trajectory. Please explain why the trajectory of requirement is so uneven, why it is down to almost nothing for 2021–24 and negative figures for 2031-36. If the requirement is -1800 for 2031-35, why is building development continuing at such a high rate in those years?
- How is the clear statement here about the decline in the need for retail premises compatible with the repeated statement that there is a need for tens of thousands more square metres of retail space?
- It's good to develop and improve Colindale but at the same time this should be proportionate. It's positive that the park is being redeveloped (Montrose Park) but that has been going on for 1.3 years now and it's too slow.
- Colindale also lacks retail establishments around the tube station or a commercial area. There are no suitable rent spaces for restaurants, bars, etc. Instead of building only social housing try to make a few high-end buildings. This will bring people from other areas spending their social time here. Colindale must not become a set of building blocks with nothing else around. Colindale also needs sport facilities like swimming pools. The Copthall facility is very far, not in Colindale and the M1 is a physical obstacle making it difficult to get there for people who don't own cars.
- By all means make the best use of land, but developing Finchley Central car park most certainly is NOT making the best space of land.
- Blocks of unused retail outlets on the high street (such as the old Furnitureland site at North Finchley) are by far the best use of land.
- Intensifying development in our smaller town centers is out of the question. Building homes with little parking provision is also unacceptable as these smaller town centers do not have enough shopping facilities for people to live without cars.
- Infill building is unacceptable. Building along major thoroughfares to a maximum height of 3 storeys is however acceptable and new homes should be concentrated along these main thoroughfares.
- GSS01 Public Transport infrastructure homes figure is wildly over-ambitious. Barnet and Finchley Central have been reduced already, and several others are likely to be as well, following public consultation
- GSS08 needs a statement on preserving the historic aspects of town centres
- GSS09 needs a statement on preserving the character of the local area.
- GSS11 needs to take account of 'wind tunnel effect' as well as wall-like corridor.
- GSS12 needs to take account of local character and the list of local heritage sites.
- GSS13 is light on detail. Why a Gaelic football pitch (4.24.3)? What demographic does this satisfy?

- The policies of town centre development looks good but alot has to be done in terms of estate Renewal and the major thorough ways that pass with in Barnet.
- Spatial strategy for Barnet - overdevelopment and above the required London Plan targets. To minimise climate change , the council will have to strictly control the type of developments, materials used and process involved in the construction methods of these new developments.
- Provision of public toilets for transport workers and the vulnerable elderly and disabled
- Watling Avenue area is cheaper and poorer than some of Barnet's other town centres, but it doesn't come without its charm. If it's gentrified too much, it will become unaffordable.
- Brent Cross development seems to be a good idea, so long as locals are not adversely affected.
- Plans for town centres are going to lead to over population; not enough facilities for all the people then there, more pollution, noise and possible impact on social behaviour.
- Central government may well want Barnet to be the second biggest in terms of houses they produce in the whole of England, but that does not mean that is best for Barnet.
- Suggestions for 'Growth' do not appear to beneficial for existing Barnet residents, let alone the 'new residents' with regard to the character, design and heritage, housing needs and aspirations or community health and wellbeing. One of the best examples of this failure are the plans to provide high rise housing development at Pentavia Park.
- Type and scale of new homes which are being built in our borough are really not suitable to Barnet. Tower blocks being proposed to home hundreds of families takes away the attractiveness of Barnet.

Response on Growth and Spatial Strategy

- *The Government sets the agenda for growth, with it's long stated ambition of delivering 300,000 new homes per annum. Barnet has to play a part in contributing to meeting this target. The Local Plan is the means for ensuring that we get the right growth.*
- *Re-establishing connections between local centres and their surrounding communities is important to enabling residents m to meet their daily needs via walking or cycling*
- *Properly planned and well designed tall buildings delivered in the right locations can make an important contribution to place shaping and revitalising Barnet's town centres as well as attracting investment to the Regeneration Areas.*

- *It's important that town centres can protect and enhance their distinctive offer to surrounding communities, this includes Burnt Oak.*
- *The positive benefits of growth and investment generated by the Local Plan will be accessible to all Barnet residents, removing physical barriers to enable all to share in new social and community infrastructure and access a range of housing types and a thriving jobs market while enjoying living in a safe, healthy and sustainable Borough.*
- *Approach to Brent Cross has changed. Local Plan recognises that any revitalisation of the Shopping Centre will not lead comprehensive regeneration of the Brent Cross Growth Area.*
- *Local Plan emphasises opportunity for Colindale to become a more sustainable place where alternative modes to the car are an attractive and safe means of getting around. Good street lighting and attractive public realm are very important to encouraging people to walk rather than drive. New development in Colindale will Having more attractive destinations to*
- *In considering planning applications all material policies in the Local Plan need to be taken into account. Cross-references are made in the Local Plan where necessary.*
- *Pentavia is not a proposal in this Local Plan.*
- *Reflects an identified need to make provision for specialist sports. In this case it's Gaelic Football.*
- *Policy on Major Thoroughfares highlights the importance of relating to the context and character of the surrounding areas.*

Chapter 5 – Housing

- Housing policies need to include some text around permitted development rights for homeowners. Currently, PD rights have the potential to have a detrimental impact on amenity and character of an area.
- Affordable housing and mix is a good idea, as is the AH targets set out in the Local Plan.
- When delivering housing for older people, need to ensure that there are suitable transport options available to them close by and important to ensure that development accommodates their specific needs.
- For affordable housing, priority should be given to the older residents, disabled residents and key workers living in the Borough for 5 years plus.
- Housing policies favour developers and results in too many poor-quality homes being built.
- There is a need for more 2- and 3-bedroom houses.

- HOU04 1 - keeping people in their homes rather than specialist accommodation requires greater provision of social services to support them (e.g. home visits, meals on wheels...) HOU05 1 a) should include social use in the list in bracket.
- In relation to Policy HOU4 (Specialist Housing), it is recommended that the figure of 275 new specialist older persons homes per annum is replicated in a standalone policy to reflect the clear need for this particular type of housing
- Residential conversions should be closely monitored to avoid over population in an area. Current housing stock should be maintained as much as possible to meet family need and or meet other needs, such as doctors' surgeries.
- Terminology and definitions on affordable housing needs to be more clear under HOU01.
- Under policy HOU 03, it is suggested that the wording be strengthened to ensure that there is no significant loss of character or amenity when doing residential conversions.
- Important to meet balanced housing stock that meets the needs of all.
- A clearer policy approach is needed to identify enough self / custom-build sites to meet the level of need rather than rolling-forward targets onto future Development Plan documents.
- HOU01 - Should be updated to reflect the 50% affordable requirement for affordable housing on public sector land and on SIL/LSIS and non-designated industrial sites, in line with Policy H5 in the draft London Plan.
- Policy HOU07 - Despite the information presented in the West London Alliance GTNA, there are frequent unauthorised encampments on public and private land in Barnet, and no existing provision within the borough to cater for this obvious need. Please revise evidence and provide lists of official sites for Travellers, Gypsies.
- Colindale must not become a cluster of social housing.
- Be more ambitious! Plenty of Barnet residents (elderly owners) occupy 3-4 bedroom properties, while living alone. Find innovative ways for these owners to rent out their free bedrooms for younger generation.
- HOU01 should state that all contracts for purchase of affordable housing must very clearly lay out the conditions of sale, cost of continuing ownership, and restrictions on eventual sale.
- The majority of new homes that are being built are flats when what people want are small 2-3 bedroom homes with gardens. These are the slums of tomorrow and should not be allowed.
- Barnet's current housing stock should be maintained at all costs. many lovely old Victorian houses are being knocked down in order to make space for box-like modern blocks of flats.

- AMR Housing Trajectory plus extra developments here and likely in the future easily exceeds the 46,000 target. There is a great danger of overdevelopment destroying the character of the borough.
- HOU05 1 a) should include social use in the list in brackets. HOU06 Build to Rent should follow London Plan H13 in full.
- The Barnet Local Plan should include a section on funding housing that recognises the challenge to economic viability of the current model for homebuilding and the London Mayor's plans for housing funding.
- It is important that the need to build affordable housing in a way that is viable for developers does not lead to approval of tall buildings in locations outside of the growth areas
- HOU03 - In criteria a) the distance to a major or district town is not reasonable, a 10-minute walk can be appropriate. When comparing Barnet's PTAL map the area covered above level 5 is significantly small taking.
- There should be a specific policy on self build and other community housing. This might include an exception policy in the Green Belt, as operated by many Councils
- With a 15% projected increase in population, together with reductions in funding for community infrastructure such as healthcare, the Barnet Draft Plan suggests unsustainable development.

Response on Housing

- *The impact of the Government's changes to the Use Classes Order in 2020 and subsequent expansion of permitted development rights in 2021 are referred to in the Local Plan.*
- *Helping people to live independently is an objective of Adult Social Services*
- *Managing change through having an up-to-date Local Plan and a robust 5 year housing supply helps to defend the Borough's character and resist overdevelopment.*
- *Well designed flats approved through the planning system are not the slums of tomorrow. However housing quality is an issue with residential conversions of commercial property through permitted development and the mismanagement of the existing private housing stock.*
- *Affordable housing policy is set within the parameters of the London Plan and national planning policy. It is supported by a Local Plan Viability Assessment. New provision has been added for keyworkers.*
- *It is not appropriate for a Local Plan document that has to serve as a planning framework for up to 5 years to go into detail about funding or legal contracts around affordable housing*

- *Although private housebuilders dominate the housing market with provision of homes for sale there is a need to widen choice of tenure. This is reflected in the Local Plan's emphasis on build to rent.*
- *Policy on self-build is realistic, reflecting the overall level of housing need in the Borough. There is a good market response to self-build as demonstrated by the number of CIL exemptions in Barnet.*
- *Plan does not support development in Green Belt or MOL.*
- *Walking distance is a more appropriate measure for HOU03. The distance that can be walked in 10 minutes is variable.*
- *Policy on gypsies and travellers reflects an update to evidence.*
- *Downsizing opportunities are generated by delivering new well-designed homes in places where people choose to live.*
- *Local Plan has a bespoke policy on the conversion and redevelopment of existing homes. We seek to protect the stock of family homes as part of being a family friendly Barnet.*
- *Tall buildings are only appropriate in the strategic locations outlined in the Local Plan.*
- *Funding generated by new development in terms of CIL and S106 helps to mitigate growth. The planning system is not the sole funder of new infrastructure provision. Other public sector bodies such as the NHS and Department for Education also have a remit to respond to growth including demographic growth.*

Chapter 6 – Character, Design and Heritage

- Too much inconsistency in developments granted planning permission and what is considered acceptable.
- Density of new development should be decided on a case by case basis according to the character of the area.
- Concern that high levels of growth and development would have detrimental impact on the character of the borough.
- A number of respondents are concerned about tall buildings impact on the character of the borough and on local viewpoints. Locations selected for tall buildings were not appropriate and needed to be reviewed. Others considered that tall buildings should only be allowed along motorways and major thoroughfares.
- Support for the use of sustainable building materials.
- Policy CDH07 needs to be strengthened as amenity space is usually too small.
- CDH05 on extensions denies local people the right to a limited amount of development that will improve homes/ lives. A more flexible approach on this could help accommodate the needs of an ageing population.

- CDH04 - should be updated to reflect the height of existing buildings, particularly where the tall buildings are new and form part of area-wide regeneration, as there appears little justification for limiting heights in these circumstances since the principle of very tall buildings has clearly been accepted.
- There must be a restriction on the height of the towers proposed to be built at Finchley Central Station.
- All approved planning should take into account the landscape and be sympathetic
- The designs that are being developed at the moment lack any real integration with local areas.
- what evidence is there that experience of the public realm.”? I don't think this is true. Does 'Legible London' have to come with advertising?
- Advertisements- American style hoardings destroy the character of a place. hoardings such as these are not necessary

Response on Character, Design and Heritage

- *Policies in this Chapter clearly set out our expectations on housing standards, helping to deliver good quality well designed homes and buildings*
- *There is a monitoring framework behind the Plan. This helps ensure that policies are being implemented in the right way*
- *Delivering new policies and proposals in the right way requires continuous support and training for planning decision makers including elected members and development management officers.*
- *Policies are further supported by a suite of Supplementary Planning Documents, putting more detail on Local Plan policies, particularly on Design Codes and infill development*
- *Tall buildings policy has been revised and strengthened, setting out more considerations including how the building relates to its surroundings, both in terms of how the top affects the skyline and how its base fits in with the streetscape, and integrates within the existing urban fabric, contributing to pedestrian permeability and providing an active street frontage where appropriate*
- *Revise policy also highlights considerations in terms of how tall building proposals respond to topography, with no adverse impact on longer range Locally Important Views, as well as mid-range and intermediate views*
- *Another consideration is the tall buildings contribution to the character of the area. Proposals should take account of, and avoid harm to, the significance of Barnet's and neighbouring boroughs heritage assets and their settings.*
- *Relationship between tall building and the surrounding public realm is another consideration, ensuring that the potential microclimatic impact does not adversely affect levels of comfort, including wind, daylight, temperature and pollution*

- *Important to highlight that context and local character are key considerations in the design of extension development. Extensions should not impact on the character of the surrounding area or cause harm to established gardens, open areas or nearby trees.*
- *Well designed public realm has an important part to play in attracting people to and enjoying being in town centres and new regeneration areas such as Brent Cross and Colindale.*
- *The Plan seeks to manage advertisements effectively in terms of number, size, siting and illumination, as key considerations to ensure that they do not have substantial detrimental impact on the public safety, character and amenity of the surrounding area and residents.*

Chapter 7 – Town Centres

- Town centres are made up of more housing than businesses and there is a lack of leisure and cultural activities.
- TOW03 - Don't limit takeaways - not enough options for deliveroo . Uber Eats etc. Limited options in the area.
- Concern around night-time economy and the impact that this will have on local areas (e.g. noise and anti-social behaviour).
- Colindale needs to improve retail/ leisure offer.
- Too much change and development will gentrify areas and price local people out of areas and ruin community networks.
- Support for policy TOW03, however, separation of A5 uses is too lenient, and to avoid over-proliferation this should be increased to a gap of at least 4 non-A5/sui generis units.
- Car parking in town centres important and should be maintained.
- Our Town Centres must be encouraged to thrive. Boutique style cinemas are a more attractive option than large, multiplex site.
- District town centers should not be built to high density and the existing low density maintained to safeguard the amenity of current residents. Housing should be introduced to out of town retail sites instead of building to a high density in district town centers.
- TOW02 - stronger support should be shown for the principle of upwards extension of properties in town centres to provide residential accommodation. There should be no loss of active frontages in district town centers. vacant retail premises should be occupied by pop up shops or by artists wishing to promote their work.
- TOW02 (i) markets also facilitate social cohesion and greater interaction.

- The number of betting shops, pay-day loan shops, shisha bars and hot food take-aways should be limited to a low number due to the adverse impact they have on areas and in the case of take-aways the litter and noise disturbance that they create.
- Policy TOW04 - no justification is given for the decision to name specific town centres in which night-time economy uses will be particularly supported.
- Parking should be available for shoppers.
- There is an assumption that population growth in town centres (areas with high PTAL) will attract footfall and encourage local business use. It could equally be argued that a high PTAL (especially tube links to central London) encourages people out of a location
- Tourism and visitor facilities might be greatly aided by enabling people from out of the borough to be able to drop into any library for information on local attractions.
- Retail floor space should be energy assessed and poorly built buildings encouraged to be made insulated and energy efficient.
- People don't always want to travel to Brent Cross. If local shop units were modernised to include retail units / health care units with better apartment accommodation above this would solve two problems. Hopefully affordable rents would be offered to retailers to encourage them to provide good local shopping to residents who don't wish to travel too far.

Response on Town Centres

- *Creating the conditions for thriving town centres is very much the focus of the Local Plan.*
- *Town centres can be active and attractive destinations for commercial, business and service uses.*
- *Opportunities to improve the town centre offer are promoted throughout the Local Plan.*
- *Retail will still remain an important trading function in town centres.*
- *Local Plan contains a bespoke policy on affordable workspaces.*
- *Local Plan promotes the concept of 15 minute neighbourhoods where everyday needs can be met by means of cycling or walking within 15 minutes of residents homes.*
- *Meanwhile uses can take advantage of vacant retail units.*
- *Parking spaces can be more efficiently designed and better managed to provide a more sustainable contribution to town centres.*

- *Travel modes such as walking and cycling can be supported by improvements to public realm, as can access to public transport.*
- *Controlling the clustering of certain uses within the parameters of the planning system can help ensure town centres are attractive places where people feel safe and want to spend time.*
- *Plan does not support measures to enhance out of town retail in existing retail parks.*
- *Town centres and Growth Areas with the best prospects for the Night Time Economy have been identified through the London Plan and Barnet's Growth Strategy.*

Chapter 8 – Community Uses and promotion of health and wellbeing

- Crime and anti-social behaviour needs more investments and emphasis within the plan.
- Housing and growth is going to put pressure on community infrastructure.
- Concerned about impact of tall buildings on health and well being.
- Some wards within the borough are much more in need of community facilities than others. For example, residents in Chipping Barnet need to travel to Finchley just to use community space.
- Public transport to community facilities needs to be improved. Some of these facilities are inaccessible to local residents who do not have a car.
- Chapter 8 should include policy/ information on how community facilities will be funded and sustained.
- CHW01 should contain a requirement that proposals resulting in a loss of community facilities should demonstrate that replacement facilities can be delivered on identified and available alternative sites to agreed short-term timescales in order to prevent the extended temporary loss of such facilities.
- No discussions with residents on what they require, just businesses. No infrastructure being built to make up for homes being built Concern with nursery and primary school places and doctors/GPs available. Need plan for future funding for schools. Improve public transport to facilities, publicise facilities and ensure activities are not too expensive. Invest in sports facilities open 24/7 best way to reduce youth crime. No mention of facilities for those with special needs, including children in care homes
- Safe cycle and bus routes to new New Barnet Leisure centre and library would be appreciated
- Strategic walking network would help create more active environment
- Need to improve access and promote green and blue spaces Barnet has

- Disagrees with Sports England's demand for plastic artificial grass playing pitches
- Offer space to health care providers as well as retail in high street
- Not healthy with cars and no sense of wellbeing when brown field and green belt land turn into housing
- Health and wellbeing negatively affected for those looking at block of flats and blocking sunshine
- Tall buildings do not make Barnet safe. Policing the borough visibly would be appreciated More lighting and CCTV coverage required in busier areas and crime hotspots
- Pubs of a certain era should be listed. CHW01 should include pubs in initial list of facilities Should be subsidy so land is not seen as a potential block of flats but a community asset such as pubs

Responses on Community Uses and promotion of health and wellbeing

- *The Infrastructure Delivery Plan sets out the infrastructure to support growth and the funding contributions from development required to deliver it. The Infrastructure Delivery Plan is a living document.*
- *Principles of designing out crime form a key element of design policies.*
- *Making Barnet a Safer Place sets out the range of actions the Council is undertaking to contributing to safer environments.*
- *There is a need to allow for adequate daylight, sunlight, privacy and outlook for adjoining and potential occupiers and users. This is reflected in Local Plan design policies*
- *Community uses are supported in the town centres (including local centres), as these locations are associated with higher levels of public transport accessibility.*
- *Enhancement or relocation of community uses is supported by the Council on the basis that this does not reduce service coverage in other parts of the Borough. This approach will deliver community uses and support the wider vitality and viability of the town centre particularly through the maintenance of an active street frontage.*
- *Pubs can become Assets of Community Value outside the planning process.*
- *Plan addresses effective wireless communication for CCTV monitoring and management and helping people feel safe. Contributions from developments taller than 3 storeys may be required to deliver infrastructure for CCTV to ensure continuity of coverage of an area.*

Chapter 9 - Economy

- Support for policy ECY02
- Under policy ECY01, more pop up and hot design spaces should be encouraged.
- There is currently a lot of empty office space within the borough and it is felt that the plan makes too much provision for office space.
- Air safety/pollution monitors to be sited at traffic jams and data made public. Don't build new schools near traffic congestion and don't let parents drive children to school expect where health risk is involved
- Aim for zero waste
- How will economy improve with increased population and no new shops.
- Studies on office demand not necessarily accurate with many empty offices already. Stop office conversions – moving council will mean local jobs in whetstone go. Service sector not what UK economy is demanding
- Signage should be controlled and night-time lighting adhere to environmentally sound criteria
- People park big vehicles on streets/pavements that are too small
- Need accommodation for teachers, nurses, care workers and industrial hubs
- Have other big shopping and entertainment centres close travel don't need more supermarkets, barbers etc

Response on Economy

- *Chapter revised to reflect changes to the Use Classes Order and the creation of a wider use class for commercial, business and service uses.*
- *Provision for keyworker accommodation reflected in Affordable Housing policy.*
- *Safeguarding of employment space in town centres and designated industrial areas to provide opportunity for businesses to grow remains a priority*
- *New policy on provision of affordable workspace to help support business*
- *Renewed emphasis on local jobs, skills and training, helping recover from rising unemployment particularly amongst young people*
- *Pop up uses as part of meanwhile uses is supported by the Local Plan*

Chapter 10 – Environment and Climate Change

- Low value sites considered by the BPOSS need strong community involvement. Need to be clear on what constitutes 'appropriate' development
- Poor waste and recycling provision in Barnet. Policies do not adequately deal with this.
- Policy ECC01 does not go far enough in mitigating towards climate change.
- The Borough's environmental assets should be preserved at all costs.
- Development should not result in the loss of trees.
- Plan should aim for carbon neutral by 2030, not 2050.
- In order to meet environmental targets and policy requirements, more needs to be done to get people out of their cars and using more sustainable transport modes.
- Policies need to improve access and promote the green and blue spaces.
- Air quality scheme could go lot further to protect vulnerable residents from effects of pollution. Monitoring not sufficient and Barnet not signed up to London Air Quality network
- Ensure every new street has trees and involve residents with gardening clubs to look after trees. Plan is set to cut trees along train tracks to build houses
- Volunteers important in keeping greenspace tidy and it involves children.
- Fine people for contaminating water supply. Ensure waterways and streams are dredged regularly
- Go further in encouraging developers to provide space for food growing
- Solar panels on public buildings and bus stops
- Update post-war housing stock as priority. Want more on innovation in design and build of new buildings
- Housing closest to stations won't result in less cars - better and safer public transport will
- There are no enforcement measures or penalties for non-compliance for environment policies
- Contributions to offset funds should be accepted only as last result
- ECC02 - (g) London Plan will encourage all new buildings to have 2 water pipes. This would benefit drainage systems.
- ECC03 – why not collect general waste bi-weekly and why not reinstate collection of food waste that is turned into compost for residents. Improve recycling facilities and encourage residents to clean recycling.
- ECC04 – support green infrastructure plan but improved access to new regional park needs greater emphasis.

- ECC05 – Green Belt shouldn't be built on or interfered
- ECC06 – some sites identified include 'railway verges', some important for biodiversity and some should be designated for nature conservation. Policy doesn't mention hedgehogs. Policy and supporting text not specific enough to effectively conserve and enhance biodiversity and achieve measurable net gains. Method by which net gain is assessed needs to be stipulated. The Defra biodiversity metric must be stipulated as the mechanism by which obligation of net gain will be measured.

Response on Environment and Climate Change

- *Strong emphasis on protection of biodiversity throughout the Local Plan*
- *To make Barnet carbon neutral by 2050 the Council is progressing a Sustainability Strategy that sets out the actions we will take to deliver a green and thriving Borough.*
- *A new Regional Park within the Brent Valley and Barnet Plateau Green Grid Area remains an ambition of the Council.*
- *A key focus of the Local Plan and Sustainability Strategy is on keeping neighbourhoods clean, green and with good air quality, ensuring that development and growth in the borough is sustainable, maximising reusing and recycling, and reducing consumption and waste.*
- *Reference is made to the Biodiversity Metric 2.0 as the current method for calculating Biodiversity Net Gain*
- *There is substantial protection for the Green Belt in the Local Plan.*
- *Barnet values the services trees offer the Borough not only for the amenity and habitat value they offer but also for their ability to assist the Borough in managing the heat island effect and improving air quality, this is set out in the Barnet Tree Policy document.*
- *Any loss of trees or greenspace for private development will therefore need to be adequately compensated*
- *Reference is made in the Local Plan to maintaining links between gardens such as hedgehog highways.*

Chapter 11 – Transport and Communications

- There should be pedestrian and or cyclist priority. Cycling and pedestrian provision and infrastructure is poor.
- Developments in Colindale have not provided visitor car parking, which has causing parking restrictions in the area useless. All developments should come with a proportion of additional visitor parking bays.
- There are significant problems with existing infrastructure.

- Access to certain parts of the Borough is difficult. Transport links need to be improved. More bus lanes needed throughout the Borough.
- More park and rides needed to encourage public transport.
- Need improvements to tube and bus service. Platforms too small for rush hour and tubes overcrowded for population living towards end of northern line. Need regular transport to Finchley and other hospitals. Need more bus lanes.
- Should be a mini holland bid around university for cycling
- A tram could provide faster and reliable way to go orbital direction
- Where is commitment to repair pavements and potholes?
- Some areas have free set time parking – can this be extended to every shopping parade and high street. Council should provide more inducements for responsible car use, not just disincentives to any car ownership. Council need to provide more on street and car park charging points to encourage electric car uptake. Removing car parks at stations will push parking down residential roads. Provide more parking in underground secure garages.
- The Long Term Transport Strategy should include improving traffic flows through better use of control mechanisms and alterations to roads
- Aim for carbon neutral transport by 2030, not 2050
- Support introduction of car sharing and dial-a-ride initiatives.
- Vital to run reliable bus services and needs more disincentives for people to use cars. a vi) requires a traffic study to establish feasibility/options.
- Parking standards exceed draft London plan and those directed by SoS – needs updating. At tube stations need access – possibilities park and ride service and frequent shuttle bus. Existing bus not adequate for commuters needs. Town centres need flexible approach to parkin. Existing residents shouldn't be adversely affected. Parking permits for existing residents should be paid for by developer. Policy unrealistic as won't be able to support increase in population. Good idea to build on station car park and suggest to increase charges until people stop using them. Colindale developments have not provided visitor parking
- TRC04 – too vague on broadband facilitations – need specifics. Wifi in borough needs improving

Response on Transport and Communications

- *Barnet has revisited the Parking Study to justify bespoke residential parking standards. In terms of other parking standards we follow those set out in the London Plan.*
- *Plan has been updated to reflect the Long Term Transport Strategy.*
- *Promoting orbital travel improvements where appropriate is a key priority for the Local Plan..*
- *Walking and cycling are transport modes that the Council is keen to promote due to the many benefits they provide ranging from reducing the use of private cars with consequent improvements for air quality*
- *Aim to encourage a more active and healthy population as increased walking and cycling provides health benefits for the individuals derived from partaking in exercise.*
- *Plan is supported by a Strategic Transport Assessment.*
- *Parking management requires a joined-up approach including the introduction of Controlled Parking Zones. Management has an important part to play in ensure more efficient and sustainable parking provision.*
- *Policy supports the Healthy Streets Approach, helping provide more attractive alternatives to reliance on cars.*
- *Less cars on the road will help improve traffic flows.*

Chapter 12 – Delivering the Local Plan

- Delivery of plan unrealistic. People writing evidence base not familiar with the Borough.
- Developers should be held accountable in meeting their obligations and if they make incorrect financial forecasts, then they should have to foot any access themselves, without being able to change on other terms e.g. affordable housing percentage agreed.
- More information on how developments / infrastructure is going to be funded.
- Council should have final word, not the mayor of London
- Title misleading – could be ‘delivery under the local plan’ or ‘delivering the required infrastructure’
- Increase in population likely put strain on existing infrastructure. Existing capacity of infrastructure provision need to be carefully considered
- Under Agent of Change principles developers should be required to provide assessment of the adequacy of existing provisions to support new demands and contribute to expansion where necessary cil and 106.

Response on Delivering the Local Plan

- *Chapter 12 has been revised to more clearly reflect how the growth set out in the Local Plan will be delivered.*
- *Evidence base updated with publication of the Infrastructure Delivery Plan and the Local Plan Viability Assessment*
- *New CIL Charging Schedule is progressing ahead of the Local Plan.*
- *Local Plan has to be in general conformity with the London Plan.*
- *The Infrastructure Delivery Plan sets out the infrastructure to support growth and the funding contributions from development required to deliver it. The Infrastructure Delivery Plan is a living document.*
- *The Council ensures that developers make their planning obligations and CIL contributions when consents are implemented*

Schedule of Site Proposals

- Finchley Central Underground – affecting parking with commuters parking on street
- Schedule driven by TfL and their mission to obliterate car use at stations
- Definitions appear to duplicate themselves and contradict
- Criteria needs clarifying and disambiguating
- Figure 4 needs an explanation of abbreviations
- Assessment criteria should include town plans, SPDs etc
- Needs more proactive finding and securing of sites
- Important potential improvements to walking network is considered in every development
- Options to maximise densities on sites should be fully explored – especially close to transport and town centres
- New Barnet proposed sites need to be exploited
- Employment to residential shouldn't go ahead as create travel chaos and less employment
- Highway proposals for North Finchley will generate disruption to local roads.
- Site 2 – development of this site should include green spaces and pocket parks with walking and cycling routes to provide access for residents and attractive linkages between Brunswick Park Road, Ashbourne Ave, Howard Close and Oakleigh Road.
- Site 3 – use the opportunity to improve walking and cycling access to the primary school and to Brunswick Park open space.
- Site 4 – use the opportunity to improve walking and cycling access to the primary school and to Brunswick Park open space.

- Site 5 – this site lies on the Strategic Walking network and a footpath runs along the back of the hospital grounds alongside the railway line. Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network and improve the environment of this footpath and open up its access to the Silk Stream.
- Site 6 – Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network and improve the environment of this footpath and open up its access to the Silk Stream. Good idea if contributes to step free access to station plus any improvements to station area
- Site 9 – this site lies on the Strategic Walking network. Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network and open up its access to the Silk Stream with a walking and cycling route.
- Sites 11 and 12 – concerned don't include provisions for more restaurant space to replace existing
- Site 13 – this site lies on the Strategic Walking network. Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network and open up its access to the Silk Stream with a walking and cycling route.
- Site 14 –.Open up its access to the Silk Stream with a walking and cycling route. Should also include similar sized supermarket with underground car park and fuel pump
- Site 15 – Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network. Roads need major improvement
- Site 16 – parking provision must be to a minimum 1.5 spaces per dwelling
- Site 17 – development should provide walking and cycling route through allotment to Belmont open space. Drainage issues already at the fields which may affect nearby houses if build on field.
- Site 18 – site suitable for medical centre or used as council offices or local police station. Old library can be used as day/advice centre for elderly and disabled. Additional parking for school staff and parents
- Site 19 – too many homes being considered – should be designated as extra amenity space for residents of Victoria Quarter
- Site 20 – should be retained as only local building yard in area
- Site 21 – shouldn't be designated residential but a superstore to cope with increase population at Victoria quarter. Development should incorporate key footpath linkages Development should be no higher than 4 storeys.
- Site 22 – parking for residents must be incorporated into build
- Site 23 – limited options to 'resolve the issue of restricted access'. Traffic pressure from developments as well as development in Prospect Ring – pollution and noise level increased

- Sites 23 and 26 – development would further aggravate traffic levels and increase strain on local facilities.
- Site 24 – Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network
- Site 26 – strain on local amenities and parking areas, traffic on High Road and impact on adjacent Cherry Tree Wood
- Site 27 –. Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network.
- Site 28 –Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network and open up its access to the Silk Stream with a walking and cycling route.
- Site 30 – shouldn't be building homes above station. Lack of parking will overflow onto nearby streets.
- Site 32 – why have 7 units been proposed. What will be done to replace car parking spaces
- Site 41 – car park on fuller street is vital for residents. Don't want more students or student accommodation
- Site 44 – shouldn't be building homes above station. Lack of parking will overflow onto nearby streets.
- Site 44 and 45 – unsuitable for development. Whalebones is within conservation area and both sites provide vital carbon-capture for sequestering carbon from polluted areas of High Barnet.
- Site 46 – adequate parking must be supplied due to low PTAL. Footpath connectivity across this site should be explored and provided.
- Site 47 – needs to allow for expanded capacity to handle vast increase in local population. Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network
- Site 48 –Development would be disaster to natural beauty of mill hill easts residents and wildlife.
- Site 49 – includes Green Belt and public footpaths and shouldn't be developed/lost.
- Site 50 – western boundary, not eastern that abuts the A1. Fly tipping currently happens. This site lies on the Strategic Walking network. Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network. Residents already have high amount of traffic pollution; building will not only increase pollution levels but an exit road will have to be built
- Site 52 – too much development in too small an area when taking Victoria Quarter into consideration
- Site 53 –Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network. High density development will cause overcrowding, pressure on Totteridge and Whetstone station, destruction of green areas and excessive traffic on Totteridge Lane
- Site 54 - high density development will cause overcrowding, pressure on Totteridge and Whetstone station, destruction of green areas and excessive traffic on Totteridge Lane

- Site 55 – boundary incorrectly includes turning area outside station as part of car park – this starts at barrier islands. 20% retention doesn't meet GSS09 last paragraph. Access to be improved and sufficient car parking retained
- Site 56 – contains a locally listed signal box (HT00894). 356 units would require tall buildings and harm amenity of neighbouring occupiers. This site lies near to the Strategic Walking network.
- Site 58 – should include residential in existing uses. Public car park must be re-provided. Road is historically important and has small cottages and proposal would dwarf these and destroy character of lane
- Site 60 – recently redeveloped to add more stories to lower part of the block. Appears to now all be residential
- Site 61 – where is the market supposed to move to.
- Site 64 – contains at least 2 locally listed buildings - Bohemia and Santander
- Site 66 – includes leisure facilities, light industrial uses adjoining to rear, significant Art Deco structure that recently been refurbished with addition of flats and must be retained
- Site 67 – this site lies on the Strategic Walking network. Development proposals should take the opportunity to ensure effective connectivity to this network and to improve the existing footpath.
- Sites 30, 59 and 62 – all 3 should be considered together. It is an overdevelopment and intensification of housing in close proximity
- Unallocated land – the site at Land to the East of Lawrence Street should be considered.

Response to Schedule of Site Proposals

Refer to Reg 18 Schedule of Representations and Responses for individual sites.

9 Appendix G – Summary of comments received from “Planning for the Future of Barnet”, September 2017 -December 2017

9.1 Planning for the Future of Barnet 2017 Community Meetings

9.1.1 In providing the opportunity for residents, community groups, businesses and other stakeholders to have their say on planning for the future of Barnet a series of member, officer and community meetings took place across from September 2017. The objective of the meetings was to encourage everyone to put forward their views on the issues facing Barnet and the options that should be pursued to address them.

9.2 Meetings

9.2.1 The following meetings were held

- Members – Sept 2017 at Hendon Town Hall
- Chief Officers – Oct 2017 at North Business Park
- Community – Dec 2017 at North London Business Park

9.2.2 The three meetings took place across Barnet and were attended by over 100 people.

9.3 Attendees

9.3.1 Community representatives included:

- Barnet Society
- Barnet Residents Association
- Federation of Residents Associations in Barnet
- Ramblers Association
- Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum
- West Finchley Neighbourhood Forum
- New Barnet Resident’s Association
- Finchley Society

9.4 Aims of these workshops

- Set vision & direction to provide guidance on key political choices
- Enable more qualitative and focused engagement with a wider group of members & stakeholders
- Inform development of future policies to meet vision

9.5 Desired Outputs

- Develop a creative & engaging process with stakeholders
- Share skills & support learning of LBB planners
- Structured around themes of housing, suburban streets, character of Barnet, town centres & local economy with infrastructure as an overlapping theme

9.6 Feedback from all groups

9.6.1 Following a short presentation by the Council on the issues and options the meetings focused on the following themes:

1. Growth and Spatial Strategy – Place Shaping & Place Making
2. Meeting Housing Needs and Aspirations
3. Community Health and Wellbeing
4. Town Centres and Economy
5. Protecting and Enhancing Character
6. Environment and Climate Change
7. Transport and Communication
8. Delivering the Local Plan

9.6.2 There was wide ranging discussion about the future shape of the Borough and how we manage change. General comments about planning and concerns about specific sites were raised as well as the views expressed on the themes.

9.7 Theme 1: Growth and Spatial Strategy – Place Shaping & Place Making

- Good design required for buildings of increasing height with 6-8 storeys as maximum heights in appropriate locations
- Higher densities supported in town centres. Low density considered inefficient
- Need to optimise density & scale of development whilst creating a place. Deliver in terms of streets & squares
- Support active design of public realm. Make Barnet's urban environment more green
- Need to spread growth more fairly. Cannot rely on regenerating social housing estates
- Opportunities for new development including along major thoroughfares, TfL sites and car parks

- Need to link growth with Arts & Culture

9.8 Theme 2: Meeting Housing Needs and Aspirations

- Plan for mixed communities with provision for families & older people and a mix of accommodation types and tenure
- Need genuinely affordable housing to ensure people stay in Barnet and future generations are not priced out
- Need for small family homes with gardens
- Need to make choice of housing more accessible across Barnet
- Support for Green Belt release if it delivers family homes

9.9 Theme 3: Community health and wellbeing

- Recognise that town centres are also social centres & important places for community and leisure activities
- More provision for leisure supported within public open spaces and town centres
- Need to be more flexible about content of town centres
- Need to plan for childcare facilities in town centres and at transport hubs
- Need to better protect public houses

9.10 Theme 4: Town Centres and Economy

- Respond to changing nature of entertainment, leisure, the evening economy & impact of online shopping
- Linear nature of Barnet's town centres is a challenge.
- Opportunity for a more zoning approach like the North Finchley SPD which is seen as the template for town centre revitalisation
- Support for market squares within town centres
- Plan for high streets to be proportionate to the areas they serve – support for ground floor retail with residential above
- Town centre intensification not just about new homes
- Need to improve connectivity of town centres. Recognise there is less car usage & that more people living & accessing town centre by foot or cycle
- Need to better manage the loss of Barnet's office stock to residential and support the remaining centres for manufacturing & innovation
- Need to better recognise contribution of the Arts Depot
- Need to manage spread of betting shops & charity shops

9.11 Theme 5: Protecting and Enhancing Character

- Support high quality buildings with a mix of height & uses appropriate to context

- Need to care for the areas of Barnet outside conservation areas
- Need to protect local green spaces, recognising their value especially in the more urban parts of Barnet
- Need to protect front and back gardens
- Recognition that basement development can have less negative impact on character than other types of extensions

9.12 Theme 6: Environment and Climate Change

- Support for protection & increased access to Green Belt but need to recognise that some of it is low quality
- Green Infrastructure – need to use rivers and natural features better. Opportunities to ‘rewild’ the area
- Make sure open space is open to the public & not gated
- Need to provide more leisure facilities in parks
- Need to improve air quality
- Use Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDs) techniques (e.g. permeable pavements)

9.13 Theme 7: Transport and Communication

- Need for orbital travel linkages, in particular rail. Focus on east- west connections
- Improve connectivity across Barnet and between London boroughs
- Important to support people’s access to town centres
- Need to better understand working from home and increase opportunities for working locally.
- Need for residents to access employment areas in Hertsmere
- Opportunities for self-drive electric cars
- Car-less development supported in southern half of Borough
- Need to make cycling a principle form of transport

9.14 Theme 8 Delivering the Local Plan

- Town centres have a key role in infrastructure delivery
- Need infrastructure to support growth especially schools & GPs
- Need for social, physical & green infrastructure integration.
- Need for Ultrafast Broadband. Opportunity to create spine with strategic providers
- Need for homes that are affordable
- Need to provide affordable workspace within new development

- Opportunities for car clubs in new developments and within town centres

9.15 General comments included

- The five themes of the Core Strategy are all concerned with growth rather than the protection of the suburbs
- Issues offer so many generalisations it becomes idealistic
- How much autonomy does Barnet have with regard to planning?
- Need for more community-based approach to planning issues
- Need for meaningful partnership rather than consultation
- Need to address quality of life
- Need more attendance from the west of the borough