PLACEMAKING PLAN OPTIONS CONSULTATION

ABOUT THE CONSULTATION

This is your chance to comment on the options for key development sites and the planning policy framework in Bath and North East Somerset. When adopted, the Placemaking Plan, together with the Core Strategy, will help shape what development takes place and where and will be used for determining planning applications in Bath and North East Somerset up to 2029.

ABOUT THE PLACEMAKING PLAN

The purpose of the Placemaking Plan will be to:

- allocate and facilitate the delivery of sites for housing, employment and other uses to help meet development needs identified in the adopted Core Strategy
- review and update the development management policies used in the determination of planning applications
- safeguard and enhance the quality of places in Bath and North East Somerset including the protection of local green space, wildlife and historic buildings
- provide the opportunity to work together with local communities to update Housing Development Boundaries.

The Placemaking Plan was launched last year when people had the opportunity to comment on the issues to be addressed in the Plan. We are now at the Options stage.

OPTIONS STAGE

The Options stage is a stepping stone to the preparation of the Draft Plan in 2015. In preparing the Plan the Council is required to test and consult on reasonable alternatives.

The options document does not set out Council policy; rather it outlines the Council's view of the reasonable alternatives or 'options' for site allocations and development management policies.

This consultation is your chance to comment on these options which will help inform the draft Plan. Beyond this consultation period there will also be the opportunity for communities and other stakeholders to continue working with the Council in preparing the Draft Plan.

Please note that this consultation does not relate to the urban extension sites at Bath and Keynsham, as these were allocated in the Core Strategy and are subject to a separate master planning process which will involve local communities.

WHERE TO FIND MORE DETAIL

This display is a summary of the Placemaking Plan Options document.

You can view the complete Placemaking Plan Options document and other background documents on the Council's dedicated Placemaking Plan webpage www.bathnes.gov.uk/placemakingplan

The Placemaking Plan Options document can also be viewed at:

- All libraries in the district
- Main Council offices (One Stop Shop, Lewis House, Bath; The Hollies Midsomer Norton and Civic Centre One Stop Shop, Keynsham) during opening hours
- Drop-in events

CONSULTATION QUICK GUIDE

HOW TO MAKE COMMENTS

You are strongly encouraged to make your comments on-line via the Placemaking Plan webpage www.bathnes.gov.uk/placemakingplan

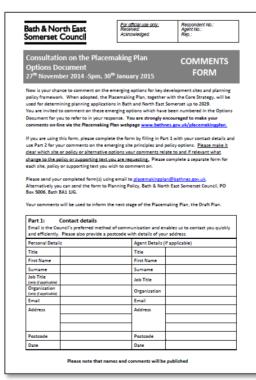
Alternatively you can:

- Complete a comments form and send it by email to <u>placemakingplan@bathnes.gov.uk.</u>
- Send your completed form or comments in a letter to Planning Policy, Bath & North East Somerset Council, PO Box 5006, Bath BA1 1JG.

Please make sure that you clearly reference which site or policy you would like to comment on using the reference numbers highlighted in this summary and in the Placemaking Plan Options document.

If you would like help in completing the form, please speak to one of the officers or call us on 01225 477458.

Your comments should reach us no later than 5pm on **Friday**, **30**th **January 2015**.



DROP-IN EVENTS

As well this one, we will be holding a number drop-in events throughout the District at the venues shown on the enclosed flyer, which members of the public are welcome to attend and discuss issues with officers.

The event details are set out below:

Date	Time	Venue
28.11.14	4 – 8 p.m.	Midsomer Norton, Town Hall
04.12.14	4 – 8 p.m.	Radstock, Methodist Church Hall
08.12.14	4 – 8 p.m.	Keynsham, One Stop Shop
10.12.14	4 – 8 p.m.	Chew Magna Millennium Hall
07.01.15	4 – 8 p.m.	Bathampton, Village Hall (small room)
08.01.15	4 – 8 p.m.	Bath, Central Library
12.01.15	4 – 8 p.m.	Temple Cloud, Village Hall
13.01.15	4 – 8 p.m.	Bath, Central Library
15.01.15	4 – 8 p.m.	Westfield, Radstock College

Consultation ends on Friday 30th January 2015