

Consultation Statement



Barrow Borough Local Plan Submission Draft

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Barrow Borough Local Plan

Working together to support sustainable development within the Borough of Barrow-in-Furness



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1. Introduction

This document sets out how Barrow Borough Council has involved the community and relevant organisations in the production of the Local Plan. It will show how the Council has complied with Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012.

Regulation 22(1) part (c) requires the submission to the Secretary of State of a statement setting out:

- Which bodies and persons the local planning authority invited to make representations under Regulation 18;
- How these bodies and persons were invited to make representations under Regulation 18;
- A summary of the main issues raised by the representations made pursuant to Regulation 18;
- How any representations made pursuant to Regulation 20, the number of representations made and a summary of the main issues raised in those representations; and
- If no representations were made in Regulation 20, that no such representations were made.

The Consultation Statement will provide a summary of:

- Which organisations, groups and individuals the Council have engaged with in the preparation of the Local Plan;
- How these organisations, groups and individuals have been engaged;
- A summary of the main issues raised by these organisations, groups and individuals; and
- The next steps for community and consultee engagement.

1.1 Why prepare this document

Barrow Borough Council is required to produce a Statement of Consultation to accompany the submission of the Local Plan to the Secretary of State. This document will assist the Inspector at the Examination in determining whether the Local Plan complies with the minimum requirements for involvement.

Effective consultation is a key element of the planning system and the engagement processes for the development of the Local Plan have been guided by the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI).

1.2 Context – The Local Plan

The Local Plan will contain a realistic vision for the Borough, looking forward to 2031. The vision will seek to address the key planning issues that are currently facing the Borough. These issues include population decline, lack of housing choice and unemployment. The vision will also seek to promote the Borough's greatest assets to attract and retain people and businesses in the area, such as its natural environment, its highly skilled workforce and its strong communities.

The Council is committed to its key priority of Regeneration and to working with partners and service providers to enhance the built environment and the public realm. This will address some of the challenges faced, particularly in the town centre and help towards securing a sustainable long term economic future for the Borough and attracting inward investment. The production of the new Local Plan is supported by the Council Plan 2017.

The Local Plan will set out key objectives, and will include the strategic objectives and detailed policies and identifies sites for development of new housing, employment, leisure facilities and

associated infrastructure, and contains policies to guide this development whilst protecting the existing assets and characteristics of the Borough, these policies will also be used to determine planning applications.

The Plan will be borough wide and will include land allocations and detailed development control policies. Once adopted, the Plan will replace current Saved Local Policy.

The preparation of the Local Plan will be guided by the timetable in the Council's Local Development Scheme and its content guided by the Statement of Community Involvement. Its performance and progress will be monitored by the Annual Monitoring Report.

Work on the preparation of the emerging Local Plan in its current form, as a comprehensive suite of strategic policies, development management policies and site allocations within a single document, commenced as a result of the introduction of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in 2012. This statement details how the Council has engaged and encouraged involvement with local communities, businesses and stakeholders throughout the entirety of the process and ultimately how these interest have helped shaped the draft of the Plan submitted.

1.3 Duty to Co-operate

When producing the Local Plan, Section 33A of the 2011 Localism Act requires Councils to co-operate with a number of bodies. This is known as a Council's 'Duty to Co-operate'. These bodies are set out in **Appendix 1**. The Council has actively engaged with these bodies throughout the development of the Local Plan so far and at each stage of the plan production, the number of consultees has increased. More information can be found in the Duty to Cooperate Statement.

1.4 Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)

The Statement of Community Involvement sets out the Council's policies and procedures for involving the public and other stakeholders in the planning process, both in the preparation of planning policy documents and in the consideration of planning applications, reflecting the statutory requirements for consultation and government guidance.

Barrow Borough Council is committed to ensuring that the views of the community are taken into account when preparing the policies that will guide development in the Borough and in preparing the SCI itself, in order to produce better quality development which meets the needs and aspirations of the local community. We hope that local people will feel part of decisions and processes that help to shape the future of the area.

1.5 Planning Policy Working Group

Officers have worked with members of Planning Policy Working Group (comprising 3 members of Executive and 3 members of Planning Committee) throughout the process of preparing the Local Plan. This will be an ongoing dialogue allowing members to engage with the process and strengthen the Plan as it progresses to adoption.

2. Who was consulted on the Local Plan

The council consulted with both statutory consultees and the wider public to gather feedback on and help us improve draft design principles and other content contained within the Draft Local Plan, at this time sites could be submitted to be assessed for their inclusion as a potential allocation. We approached a wide range of stakeholders, including both statutory and non-statutory consultees. A full list of the statutory organisations (as identified from our Statement of Community Involvement) that we consulted with is shown in **Appendix 1**.

3. Regulation 18 – Pre-Production Consultation – Have Your Say – 2012

Consultation on the Regulation 18 Stage of the Local Plan ran from 10th September 2012 to 2nd November 2012 and included the following:

- The Council sent 175 consultation emails and 33 letters to interested parties including Councillors, specific consultees, consultants, architects, agents and housing developers.
- The Council publicised the consultations on the Council website.
- The Council issued a press release to the local newspaper.
- The Council displayed posters and leaflets at the Town Hall and local libraries.

3.1 Consultation Responses

During the consultation period, the Council received representations from 50 different individuals, organisations and bodies. A total of 275 representations were received with 239 relating to the content of the Plan and its potential policies and 36 relating to site submissions. The Council welcomes continued input and engagement from consultees.

3.2 Summary of Main Issues Raised

General

- The principle of sustainable development should be reflected by a clear vision for Barrow, which the policies should work towards creating.
- The Local Plan needs to acknowledge and reflect the particular needs of Barrow's rural communities.

Vision and Objectives

- There should be an objective to expand the provision of extra care housing.
- A clear vision and strategy should be identified in the Plan.
- Traffic is increasing in Barrow and this will require appropriate intervention in the Local Plan so as to avoid potential congestion at peak times.
- Waterfront Barrow in Furness should be given an important priority given the benefits that this will have on the waterfront, housing market and town centre.

Development Strategy

- The Local Plan provides an opportunity to raise the profile of Barrow regionally and nationally.
- The Plan should be positive in meeting housing and employment needs.
- The Plan should build on the strengths of Barrow, rather than focussing on reducing its weaknesses.
- There is a need for high quality living accommodation and high quality employment sites. There is currently a lack of deliverable and available sites to meet these needs.

Climate Change and Pollution

- Policies should apply the sequential approach to development in areas at risk of flooding.

- Policies should reflect the need for schemes to have appropriate drainage and surface water management facilities.
- Renewable energy policies will be required, in addition to policies that encourage energy efficient development and travel choices.

Infrastructure

- Transport policies should take full account of impacts on the natural environment.
- Development should be focused in sustainable locations, which are accessible to local services and infrastructure.
- The Plan should promote the use of public transport, walking and cycling to improve access to nature. The Plan should support development that facilitates the use of sustainable modes that reduce the need for new infrastructure.
- The Local Plan will need to include an appropriate policy to facilitate developer contributions.

Economy

- To support ongoing employment development in Barrow, there needs to be sufficient good quality employment land available. Barrow Waterfront Business Park will be essential to delivering important economic development aspirations for the area.
- The Council will need to identify requirements for employment land throughout the Plan. Consideration also needs to be given to de-allocating sites not considered capable of suitably contributing to the economic well-being of the Borough.

Housing

- In determining the Borough's housing requirement it will be important that the Council gives careful consideration to its evidence base, particularly the SHMA and the SHLAA.
- The Council should be ambitious with its housing requirement, and it is considered that a housing requirement at the higher range of the SHMA and POPGROUP projections may be most appropriate. This should help ensure that there is sufficient mix and range of housing to meet the needs of Barrow's communities and economy.
- So that new housing sites do not undermine renewal aspirations, the Council could consider whether new housing in stronger market areas could make contributions to help cross subsidise housing market renewal initiatives.
- The Local Plan will need to give consideration to all forms of housing including affordable housing, other forms of specialised housing and gypsy and traveller sites.
- A review of the need for an affordable housing requirement will be required, and this must be supported by robust evidence. The Plan must meet the full, objectively assessed needs for affordable housing, including in rural parts which are likely to have differing requirements to the main urban area.
- Greenfield development for housing at sustainable locations will provide what the market wants and will allow Barrow to compete with Ulverston, in respect of attractive quality housing.
- Barrow needs to have a quality housing offer to prevent migration from the town and support investment

Retail

- The Local Plan should identify / quantify the requirement town centre uses and allocate a range of suitable sites to meet the type and scale of development needed in the town centre.
- The Local Plan should support proposals that bring tourists to the area and encourage them to stay, thus providing an opportunity to further support and diversify the town centre economy.
- To support the town centre, it will be important for the character of the streetscape to be protected and enhanced.

Heritage and Built Environment

- The Local Plan should provide sufficient robust policy around the historic environment.
- The historic environment should be given appropriate consideration when identifying potential locations for development.
- The Local Plan should recognise Barrow's industrial and marine heritage.

Natural Environment

- The Plan should take account of the marine environment and apply an Integrated Coastal Zone Management approach.
- The Plan should help facilitate the relocation of valued assets away from areas of risk.
- The Plan should improve public access to and enjoyment of the coast.
- The Plan should include a policy to support the creation and maintenance of the current and future route of the National Trail around the coast of England.
- The Plan should address the impacts of air quality on the natural environment.

Green Infrastructure

- Development management policies should address landscape and biodiversity impacts.
- The Plan should protect and enhance public rights of way and access, and should consider the value of local rights of way.
- There should be policies for conserving and enhancing the landscape, taking account of the character of different areas.
- The Plan should set out a strategic approach and plan positively for the creation, protection, enhancement and management of green infrastructure.
- The Plan should safeguard the finite stock of best and most versatile agricultural land, and make clear that areas of lower quality should be used for development in preference.
- The Plan provides an opportunity to incorporate the creation of green spaces and woodland into the planning framework, together with improved access to green infrastructure for recreation.

Promoting Healthy Communities

- School closures almost always lead to a reduction in facilities for the general public, particularly sports and leisure space. Serious consideration should be given to this issue.

- Where there is a desire to retain space for sport, long leases or asset transfers should be encouraged as this affects clubs' abilities to obtain grants to improve their sites.
- It was felt that consideration should be given to providing safe play space within reasonable distance of people's homes, as there are large parts of the Borough with limited or no safe open space for play.
- Sport and recreation facilities should be protected, unless evidence shows that they are surplus to requirements. Policies should be developed to retain or replace sports facilities whenever possible.
- Policies relating to health should emphasise the importance of access to natural greenspace and woodland for improving public health and well-being.

4. Issues and Options Stage

Consultation on the Issues and Options Draft of the Local Plan ran from 19th September 2014 to 31st October 2014 and included the following:

- The Council sent 247 consultation emails and 58 letters to interested parties including Councillors, specific consultees, consultants, architects, agents and housing developers.
- The Council publicised the consultations on the Council website.
- The Council made consultation documents available in Council offices and local libraries.
- The Council issued a press release to the local newspaper.
- The Council displayed posters and leaflets at the Town Hall and local libraries.
- The Council held public drop in events throughout the Borough.

4.1 Consultation Responses

During the consultation period, the Council received representations from 70 different individuals, organisations and bodies. A total of 751 representations were received with 552 relating to the content of the Plan and its potential policies and 199 comments on specific sites. Comments and proposed amendments to wording were taken on board where appropriate and the Council welcomed the continued input and engagement from consultees.

4.2 Summary of Main Issues Raised

General

- 27 general representations were received.
- There was strong support for the Local Plan to include strategic policies to conserve and enhance the historic environment of the area and to guide how the presumption in favour of sustainable development should be applied locally.
- Consideration should be given for the need for bungalows and accessible transport. Plan makers will need to consider the size, location and quality of dwellings needed in the future for older people in order to allow them to move. This could free up houses that are under occupied.
- Highways Agency stated they will be available to liaise with the Council as the Plan progresses to ensure the highway network can accommodate the development proposed within the plan.
- There was broad agreement that the Local Plan must aim to meet the fully objectively assessed development needs of the Borough over the plan period.
- The Local Plan will have a key role to play in creating the right conditions for private sector investment and the challenges in supporting plans for economic growth.
- The importance was recognised for plan makers to be ambitious with development targets, whilst ensuring that housing development is deliverable and is located in areas where people want to live.
- There was support for Port of Barrow and its operations and recognition of its contribution to the local economy.
- Suggestions were received that more references to the coast and views of the Lake District should be included, which are so much part of Barrow's attraction.
- Cumbria County Council will expect to sign a joint statement of intent with Barrow Borough Council, setting out how both Councils will work together to identify, prioritise and fund the infrastructure necessary to support development proposed within the Barrow Local Plan.

Introduction

- 15 representations were received relating to the Introduction.
- The Duty to Cooperate section was welcomed. The Council is committed to working closely with its neighbouring authorities and partner organisations.
- It was suggested that the Council should include more references to the Lake District National Park and the opportunities it provides for Barrow, especially in relation to tourism potential but also in respect of wider green infrastructure networks and nature conservation.

Vision and Objectives

- 10 representations were received relating to the Vision and Objectives Chapter.
- Generally a positive framework for the Plan and considered to be relevant and appropriate.
- It is considered that the vision and objectives could be improved with reference to the spatial priorities of the Plan.

Development Strategy

- 65 representations were received relating to the Development Strategy chapter.
- Principles of the potential policy are supported, as is the inclusion of a policy in the Local Plan which promotes sustainable development.
- The approach to this policy is welcomed in addressing a key area that is fundamental to all planning work and especially in Barrow given its particular characteristics associated with a predominantly coastal location.
- Approach to landscape, heritage and nature conservation needs to be reviewed and should for example, require the enhancement of biodiversity and geodiversity, not avoiding undue impact approach currently proposed.
- Strategy should seek to meet a wide range of needs from across the area, both rural and urban, to ensure that the borough can prosper in the future.

Climate Change and Pollution

- 47 representations were received relating to the Climate Change and Pollution chapter.
- The Policy that supports sustainable flood defence and erosion prevention measures is welcomed.
- There were requests for some amendments to policy wording, for example to include that there are several 'main' rivers in Barrow and the England Coast Path.
- Support was received for the ideas within the draft policy to protect the coast from non-essential development.
- Suggestions that consideration should also be given as to how development fits in with the shore line plan for the Cumbria coast or any coastal strategies that are developed to encompass transport infrastructure.
- Requests that consideration is given to green roofs and water garden systems to meet the demands for water.
- It was noted that the continued development of wind energy on land within the Borough is likely to have a detrimental effect on the other areas of the plan, which seek to encourage sustainable tourism. Coastal walking is a major potential with regards to sustainable tourism development.
- Support was received for the provision of renewable energy.
- There were suggestions that a section on flood risk is added to this chapter.

Infrastructure

- 54 representations were received relating to the Infrastructure chapter.
- Principles of the potential policy were generally supported and welcomed.
- Cumbria Constabulary called for Council support in attracting funding from developers to enhance and develop Emergency Services Infrastructure.
- It was noted that the figures for development have changed since the Issues and Options Draft Plan and as such requirements upon Education Infrastructure, for example, will have changed, therefore the next draft of the plan will be updated to incorporate these infrastructure requirements.
- Following receipt of representations, policy wording will be strengthened in order to ensure new developments are accessible by a range of sustainable transport options i.e. walking, cycling and public transport. The Council is keen to support the improvements to the transport network both within the borough and to and from the wider area.

Economy

- 54 representations were received relating to the Economy chapter.
- No significant concerns with this chapter of the draft local plan and the broad principles are supported.
- Requests were received for there to be a section of this chapter which will recognise the visitor spending by walkers and cyclists, particularly on long distance routes.
- There was support for the development of the evening economy and diversity in town with tourism as alternative additional employment.
- Natural England strongly advises that impacts on the natural environment are considered, particularly impacts on designated sites, during the assessment procedure.
- It was noted that the Port of Barrow is an important asset for the borough and is protected by policies in the Barrow Port Area Action Plan.
- Support for defined sites for employment use, which prevent business infiltration into residential areas.
- There was some criticism received relating to the detailed wording of policy, specifically to ensure that environmental and social goals are delivered as part of economic development and not compromised.

Housing

- 125 representations were received relating to the Housing Chapter.
- This chapter received the highest amount of representations and overall the majority supported the policies, however some objections were also received.
- Objections related to some consultees feeling that the calculation of the new housing requirement does not meet the requirements of the Borough, taking into account the anticipated labour force growth in relation to BAE Systems and the growing wind energy sector.
- Some concern was raised that the policy is not adequately justified with regards to the methodology used to determine the distribution of housing within the Borough.
- In principle, the majority supported the proposed housing figures, however it was suggested that the historic undersupply of housing should be addressed during the first five years period, rather than spread it across the entire plan period.
- It was agreed that Barrow remains the most sustainable location for housing within the Borough, however increasing the amount of development in Dalton, Askam and Ireleth, Newton and Lindal will allow them to grow in a controlled, sustainable way whilst improving choice in the Borough.

- There was general agreement relating to the use of Development Cordons, however some objections were received regarding the development of specific sites within Newton.
- It was agreed that a range of densities should be developed and applied to best suit the character and requirements of different parts of the Borough on a site specific basis.
- There was also support received to improve the Borough's older housing stock and the supply of affordable housing.

Retail

- 40 representations were received relating to the Retail chapter.
- There was support for the evening economy to ensure that a range of leisure and cultural facilities are provided which offer jobs and entertainment for visitors and residents, including bars, clubs, music venues, restaurants, cinema and theatres.
- Consideration needs to be given in the potential policy to assessing the effects of additional retail uses on the local road network and the ability of potential new sites to accommodate acceptable levels of parking and suitable junction access arrangements.
- The approach to support the sustainable location of retail uses by means of travel other than the use of the car is welcomed and supported.

Heritage and Built Environment

- 13 representations were received relating to the Heritage and Built Environment chapter.
- This section was generally supported; however it is considered that some of the potential policy wording related to listed buildings is loose and should be strengthened.
- Request for the addition of text to the policy on Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Plans, including the setting of conservation areas.

Natural Environment

- 30 representations were received relating to the Natural Environment chapter.
- Concerns were received about the quality of the sea water, especially at Askam and Roanhead. The Council has included policies on water quality in the draft Local Plan.
- Support of the robust criteria approach to the policy with amendments to wording, for example so that designated sites and protected species are considered separately and having regard to the positive benefits of soil erosion in specific circumstances, such as those at Sandscale Haws.
- Request to include clear criteria for development impacting on the Lake District National Park, where development in Barrow has the potential to impact upon the setting of the National Park, in particular the views to and from the fells and mountains.

Green Infrastructure

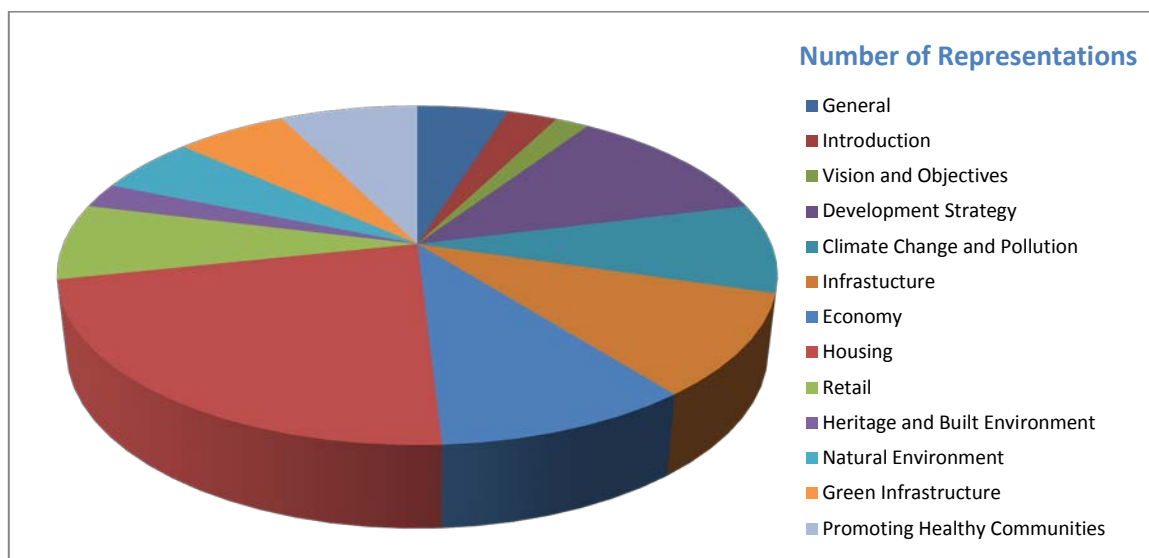
- 33 representations were received relating to the Green Infrastructure chapter.
- Generally positive feedback was received on the chapter being robust and thorough, however some wording requires further consideration, for example sections in the proposed policy over the circumstances where development might be necessary to be located in a wildlife corridor might need to be clarified.
- The role of the England Coast Path should be recognised to protect and enhance the current valuable Public Right of Way network within the Borough. Some of these routes have a significant contributory role in the enjoyment of coastal access.

- It is considered that the existing green infrastructure designations are reviewed as part of the process and where necessary, boundaries redrawn with a view to accommodating development in appropriate locations.
- Concerns were raised regarding the need for trees in urban settings and the protection of existing woodland in the borough.

Promoting Healthy Communities

- 41 representations were received relating to the Promoting Healthy Communities chapter.
- It was suggested that there should be more recognition in the plan of health and well being benefits which trees and woodland can provide for local communities, for example removal of pollution in the air.
- With regard to encouraging travel by sustainable means including use of public transport, walking and cycling, it is felt that the potential Policy could be strengthened to require development to be located in sustainable locations.
- Cumbria Constabulary strongly encourages a policy on crime prevention and increasing the number of Secured by Design accredited homes.
- It is recommended that the Councils Planning Obligations Policy ought to be referred to in relation to education provision, along with the options that the County Council would seek contributions for extensions to existing schools to make up for lack of school capacity arising from a new development.
- Consideration should be given to including a policy that sets out the Council's commitment to promoting health and wellbeing.

Representations and Responses can be viewed in full on the Council's data portal.



Comments relating to sites

189 representations were received in relation to suggested sites. Appendix 2 shows the comments received and the category into which they fall. The representations included a number of comments in support of certain sites, however a number of objections were also received. The issues raised in relation to the sites included the following:

- Loss of open space
- Flooding
- Traffic and Highway Safety
- Impact on wildlife/biodiversity
- Impact on services eg schools, libraries, surgeries
- Development of Greenfield Sites
- Impact on neighbouring properties eg loss of view, house prices, disturbance
- Ground conditions eg mines.

4.3 Planning Policy Working Group

The Planning Policy Team arranged three working groups in May, July and August 2014 to provide an update to Members on the progress of the Local Plan and covered issues including housing, economy, heritage, green infrastructure, healthy communities and natural environment.

5. Preferred Options Stage

Consultation on the Preferred Options Draft of the Local Plan ran from 8th July 2015 and 4th September 2015 and included the following:

- The Council sent 275 consultation emails and 71 letters to interested parties including Councillors, specific consultees, consultants, architects, agents and housing developers.
- The Council publicised the consultations on the Council website.
- The Council made consultation documents available in Council offices and local libraries.
- The Council issued a press release to the local newspaper.
- The Council displayed posters and leaflets at the Town Hall and local libraries.
- The Council held public drop in events throughout the Borough.

5.1 Consultation Responses

During the consultation period, the Council received representations from 104 different individuals, organisations and bodies. A total of 480 representations were received with 330 relating to the content of the Plan and its potential policies and 150 comments on specific sites. Comments and proposed amendments to wording were taken on board where appropriate and the Council welcomed the continued input and engagement from consultees.

5.2 Summary of Main Issues Raised

General

- 23 general representations were received.
- The responses received were supportive of the policies formulated from the range of options put forward in the previous Issues and Options Draft of the Local Plan and which are now incorporated in the Preferred Options Consultation Draft.
- Generally the work on the draft Plan following the Issues and Options consultation in 2014 is considered to have suitably advanced the Plan in a manner that should improve its soundness.
- It was agreed that development in the main centres of Barrow and Dalton should be supported due to the sustainable nature of these locations.
- Suggestions were put forward that designated sites should be specifically named.
- Questions were asked about whether the overall housing requirement will provide for a significant boost to housing land supply and support the development of the local economy.
- It was stated that there are a number of sites identified by the Council as preferred options for housing allocations, which possibly face constraints that may prevent or delay the delivery of development.

Introduction

- 12 representations were received to the Introduction.
- General feedback suggested that it is considered unrealistic that the Local Plan will be adopted in 2016 and that 2017 would be a more appropriate target to secure and adopt a robust and effective Local Plan for Barrow Borough.
- The Duty to Cooperate section was welcomed, however it was suggested that the wording need to be amended slightly to include documentary evidence of joint working and how it influences plan preparation.
- Requests were received to expand the Plan to detail local character and distinctiveness, as the Plan makes reference to its importance.

Vision and Objectives

- 12 representations were received to the Vision and Objectives chapter.
- There was strong support to amend the Plan to detail specifically the proposals in relations to culture and heritage.
- Concerns were raised at the lack of recognition in the Plan that good transport links are an essential part of any attempt to promote economic growth. It was suggested that businesses may be reluctant to move to an area with an inadequate road network, and skilled people may also be concerned that they will not have easy access to employment, educational or social opportunities if transport links are poor.
- Overall consultees were pleased to note the amendments to the Housing Objective following the Issues and Options stage of the plan preparation.
- The objectives concerning economic growth were welcomed
- There was wide support of the vision of an economically prosperous area offering diversified job opportunities and a high level education and skills base
- Recommendations were received for the inclusion of a specific Green Infrastructure (GI) objective within the Local Plan

Development Strategy

- 39 representations were received to the Development Strategy chapter.
- The detailed additions in response to comments made at the Issues and Options stage were welcomed and support was received for the proposed annual housing requirement for the plan period
- The preparation of a policy that articulates the Council's commitment to sustainable development was appreciated.
- The economic and regeneration ambitions set out in the draft Plan are also welcomed
- The main objections received to this chapter related to the strategy for the conservation and enhancement of the historic environment. It was felt that the wording in the plan should be revised to ensure the historic environment is considered in delivering a number of other planning objectives.
- It was suggested the policy could go further and encourage the effective use of previously developed land for development to follow the development strategy, whilst still ensuring that development is realistic and deliverable.
- Comments were supportive of a strategy which moves away from the concentration of development on previously developed land within Barrow-in-Furness.
- The Council's aspiration to provide certainty and speed up the development process was supported

Climate Change and Pollution

- 20 representations were received to the Climate Change and Pollution chapter.
- Representations supported this Policy and in particular the detailed additions in response to the comments made at the Issues and Options stage
- It was felt that the proposed policy is appropriate and should ensure development respects the important asset of Barrow's attractive coastline.
- A number of comments received did indicate that the plan should be amended to ensure that proposals do not harm the "historic environment" rather than "historic sites".

Infrastructure

- 41 representations were received relating to the Infrastructure chapter.

- A number of representations were received on this issue; however these were mainly comments, rather than raising any concerns regarding the policies.
- It was requested that the impact of any proposals on the business community in Barrow is fully considered prior to the implementation of any plans.
- It was stated that it is vital that the Barrow Local Plan is flexible and supports existing operations and the future development needs of the Port of Barrow.
- It is felt that the policy will help to deliver a network of cycling and walking routes across the Borough.
- Consideration should be given to further emphasising the importance of good infrastructure in connecting businesses, employees and residents, and in supporting and promoting economic growth and regeneration.

Economy

- 32 representations were received relating to the Economy chapter.
- Support was received for the Waterfront Business Park and the recognition within the Local Plan of its importance. It was felt that this recognition should send a clear message about the priority for public and private investment in the Borough.
- In addition to the Waterfront Business Park, the allocation of the remaining part of Furness Business Park was also supported.
- Concerns were raised regarding heritage and it was requested that the policy be amended to include reference to employment sites not having unacceptable harm to heritage assets and their setting.
- The inclusion of the policy regarding employment land was supported in order to maintain a stock of employment land and premises to meet demand.
- Support was received for conversions for employment in both urban and rural areas.
- Support for policy including a section in relation to the England Coast Path.

Housing

- 79 representations were received relating to the Housing chapter.
- Housing was the main issue raised during consultation of the Preferred Options Draft of the Local Plan.
- Although some felt the housing figure was a realistic target, taking into account the continued decrease of the Borough's population, the broad conclusions from representations are that the suggested housing requirement of 1630 dwellings over the 15 year plan period (2016 to 2031) is too low.
- It was felt that the Council should prepare a positive plan that seeks to address head-on existing issues regarding the workforce, and provide sufficient housing to deliver the Borough's economic potential.
- The loss of population in the 20-34 age range suggests that there is an out migration to find employment and housing. This trend needs to be addressed by providing for housing needs in the Borough.
- Some consultees felt that the Council have not allocated sufficient sites of the right type and location to support the delivery of larger houses. There was some concern that this will increase in-commuting from outside the Borough.
- It was felt that the Council needs to consider applying an increase to the proposed housing requirement to maximise the provision of affordable housing.
- Support was received for the proposed distribution of housing development

- Although it is essential that the Local Plan seeks to provide for a good range of housing sites throughout the authority area, there was agreement that the concentration of development within Barrow is supported, as the principle settlement within the borough.
- Although some objections were received on specific allocation sites for housing development, most consultees did not comment on individual sites.
- Comments stated that the identification of development cordons should not be drawn so tightly that they prejudice the ability to deliver sustainable development.
- It was suggested that the Council should adopt a more flexible approach in the determination of applications for housing on sites outside the settlement boundary, particularly given the Council's historic failure to deliver development
- The Council's aspiration of achieving a mix of housing, along with its desire not to stifle the housing market was appreciated.

Retail

- 12 representations were received relating to the retail chapter.
- Feedback for this chapter was mixed, as it was felt that the draft plan in its current form requires amendments.
- There were suggestions that the town centre boundary does not reflect the existing, established retail provision in Barrow.
- It was felt there should be provision to identify appropriate edge-of-centre sites that are well connected to the town centre
- The importance of ensuring Barrow remains competitive and able to accommodate changing retailer requirements was recognised
- There was concern that the plan and policies would frustrate and delay development, rather than ensure the vitality of the town centre, which would hinder new investment into Barrow.
- It is considered the plan should be explicit in its support for proposals that enhance the town centre and its cultural, leisure, night time economy and retail offer.

Heritage and Built Environment

- 14 representations were received relating to the Heritage and Built Environment Chapter.
- The Council's intention to produce conservation area appraisals was welcomed.
- The proposed approach to heritage assets including Scheduled Ancient Monuments was supported.
- There were suggestions that the policy needs to be amended to detail the key elements of the Borough's historic environment, which contribute to the distinct identity of Barrow and will be conserved and enhanced in the future.

Natural Environment

- 17 representations were received relating to the Natural Environment chapter.
- Overall support was received, however a number of amendments were proposed to the supporting text in response to the comments received from consultees.
- The recognition of the need to protect and enhance biodiversity was welcomed, including designated sites, landscape and open space, water quality, air quality and to address climate change
- Support was received for the new paragraph relating to the setting of the Lake District National Park.

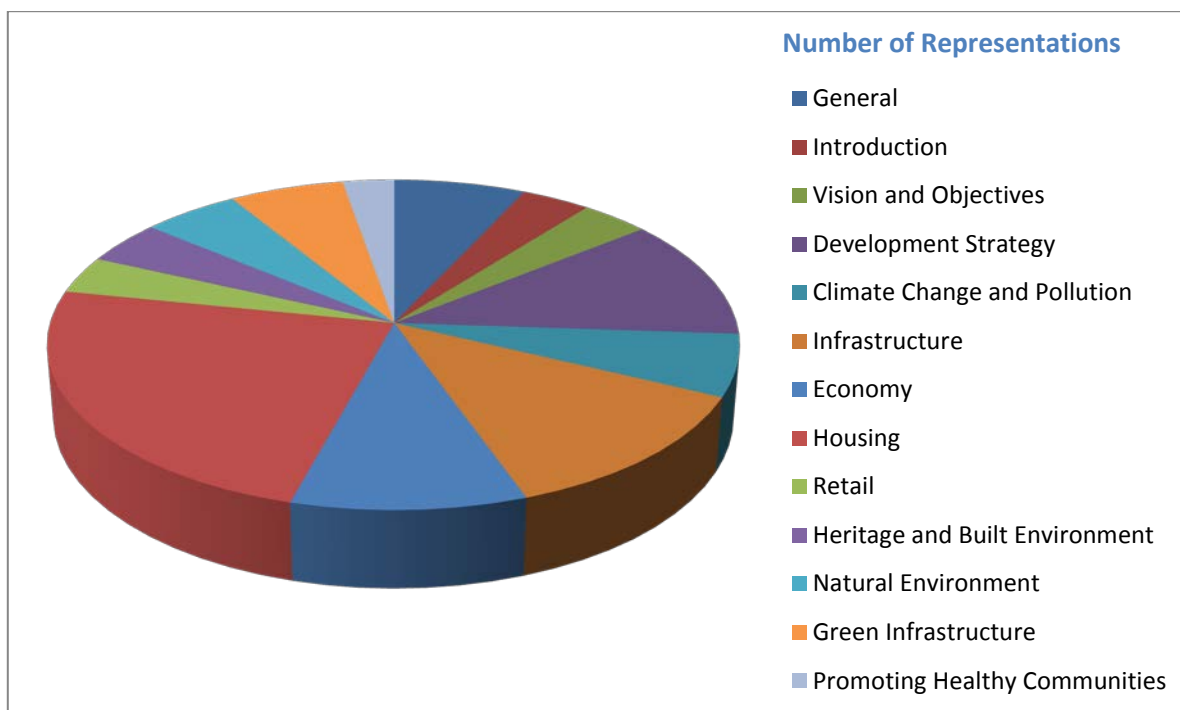
- Natural England responded to say they welcome the very detailed section on International designations and on National designations and the accompanying maps.
- Consultees found the overview of Local and National designations very helpful.

Green Infrastructure

- 20 representations were received relating to the Green Infrastructure chapter.
- Overall, there was support for the intentions expressed in the Green Infrastructure chapter and associated suite of policies.
- The recognition of Light pollution as an issue and the draft policy to combat its effects was welcomed and requests were expressed for it to be adopted in the final version of the plan.
- It was recommended that the England Coast Path is included within this section
- A number of minor changes to the supporting paragraphs were suggested to positively amplify the important contribution of SUDs in green infrastructure.
- Consideration should be taken as to whether the Green Infrastructure Strategy sufficiently captures all relevant green infrastructure elements of the borough, including in areas away from the main urban areas.
- Some objections were received regarding specific sites being identified within a Green Wedge. There were suggestions that the Council's policy approach to Green Wedges is too restrictive.

Promoting Healthy Communities

- 9 representations were received relating to the Promoting Healthy Communities chapter.
- Support was received for the recognition of health and wellbeing within the policy
- Some requests were received for the policy to include specific reference to the need for development design to consider the needs of those with mobility challenges.
- The County Council requested that school playing fields are not included as part of playing fields as defined by this policy
- The general approach to the education policy was welcomed, however it was considered that it may need to include clear recognition of the role of the developer in addressing the effects of development, such as increasing the number of children in a location, which some schools in their present form, may be unable to accommodate.



Comments relating to sites

151 representations were received in relation to suggested sites. Appendix 3 shows the comments received and the category in which they fall into. The representations included a number of comments in support of certain sites, however a number of objections were also received. The issues raised in relation to the sites included the following:

- Loss of open space
- Flooding and Drainage
- Traffic and Road Safety
- Effect on Infrastructure/Services
- Effect on Wildlife/Habitats
- Development of Greenfield Sites
- Impact on neighbouring properties eg loss of view, house prices, disturbance
- Ground conditions eg mine workings.

5.3 Planning Policy Working Group

The Planning Policy Team arranged three working groups in February, March, April and June 2015 to provide an update to Members on the progress of the Local Plan and covered issues including proposed housing and employment site allocations and the policies in the housing chapter of the Preferred Options Draft of the Local Plan.

6. Publication Draft Stage

Consultation on the Publication Draft of the Local Plan ran from 5th September 2016 to 17th October 2016 and included the following:

- The Council sent 461 consultation emails and 96 letters to interested parties including Councillors, specific consultees, consultants, architects, agents and housing developers.
- The Council published the consultations on the Council website.
- The Council made consultation documents available in Council offices and local libraries.
- The Council issued a press release to the local newspaper.
- The Council displayed posters and leaflets at the Town Hall and local libraries.
- The Council displayed a minimum of 2 site notices close to every proposed housing site.
- The Council held public drop in events throughout the Borough.

6.1 Consultation Responses

During the consultation period, the Council received representations from 492 different individuals, organisations and bodies. A total of 835 representations were received with 217 relating to the content of the Plan and its potential policies and 618 relating to specific sites. Comments and proposed amendments to wording were taken on board where appropriate and the Council welcomed the continued input and engagement from consultees.

6.2 Summary of Main Issues Raised

General

- 18 general representations were received
- Sport England requested that the principles contained within the document 'Active Design' are incorporated into all new developments.

Introduction

- 2 representations were received relating to the Introduction
- Concern was raised that the Council has not discharged its requirements under Duty to Cooperate, however this will be covered under the Duty to Cooperate Statement produced by the Council.
- No other significant concerns were raised with this chapter of the Draft Local Plan.

Vision and Objectives

- 3 representations were received relating to the Vision chapter
- Support was received for the Local Plan vision and it was noted that this chapter is largely unchanged.
- It was suggested that the chapter could be improved by greater reference to the different spatial elements of the Borough and how they are anticipated to develop to meet particular issues and aspirations.

Development Strategy

- 23 representations were received relating to the Development Strategy chapter.

- There was support received for the diverse organisations that Barrow Borough Council have identified to achieve sustainable and balanced growth.
- Responses were mainly positive to this chapter, however Home Builders Federation stated that they consider a policy to be unsound and requested some amendments.
- Support was received for the revised positive policy wording.

Climate Change and Pollution

- 18 representations were received relating to the Climate Change and Pollution chapter.
- Support was received for the text on trees and woodland which has been included in the Local Plan.
- The strong protection the plan gives to ancient woodland and trees was welcomed by the Woodland Trust.
- Support was received for the Council's commitment to the use of anthropogenic flood defences, where natural defences are not feasible.
- It was pointed out that Barrow Borough Council must ensure the Local Plan is fully consistent with national policy requirements for renewable energy development and to provide clarity on the Council's approach.
- There was a request that all references to Cumbria Coastal Way are removed from the Local Plan.

Infrastructure

- 25 representations were received relating to the Infrastructure chapter.
- Support was received from Highways England for the Infrastructure policies in the draft Local Plan.
- A number of representations were received on this Chapter; however these were mainly comments, rather than raising any concerns regarding the policies.
- It was noted that the Plan recognises that a lack of infrastructure should not necessarily be an obstacle to development, but that instead development should proactively drive and support sustainable economic development, including the delivery of infrastructure.

Economy

- 19 representations were received relating to the Economy chapter.
- Feedback for this chapter was mixed, as it was felt that the Chapter in its current form requires amendments.
- Support was received from Highways England regarding the allocation of employment locations.
- Support was also received from Morecambe Bay Partnership as they were pleased to read that the plan supports appropriate sustainable tourism development.
- ABP however, stated that they strongly object to the Local Plan not including a specific policy to support the existing operations and future development needs of the Port of Barrow.

Housing

- 71 representations were received relating to the Housing chapter.
- Housing was the main issue raised during consultation of the Publication Draft of the Local Plan and this Chapter received the most representations.

- Some consultees felt the housing requirement figure was too high due to the falling population figures of the Borough, however other consultees felt the figure is too low and does not significantly boost the housing supply.
- Other representations supported the housing requirement figure and methodology.
- It was suggested that the objectively assessed need does not take into account the need for affordable housing in the Borough.
- It was felt that the Council should clarify some wording in these policies as consultees feel it is unclear what would trigger the release of additional housing sites or how they would be identified if required if the plan does not deliver as expected.
- Support was received for the role of settlements such as Dalton, in meeting the objectively assessed housing need in a sustainable manner.
- Some objections and support were received on specific allocation sites for housing development, however these are covered in the sites section.
- Some representations made suggested amendments to policy wording to introduce flexibility/longevity for the lifetime of the plan.

Retail

- 10 representations were received relating to the Retail chapter.
- The identification of the Barrow BID as key stakeholders in developing enhanced retail and safe night time economy was welcomed.
- Objections were received relating to the town centre, edge of centre sites and Hollywood Retail and Leisure Park (HRLP) and amendments to the Local Plan were suggested.
- Royal Mail also suggested that the Delivery Office should be allocated as an Employment Site rather than an Edge of Centre Site.

Heritage and Built Environment

- 6 representations were received relating to the Heritage and Built Environment chapter.
- It was hoped that the Borough's heritage assets, such as Furness Abbey and Dock Museum, would play a more prominent role in the wider regions tourism offer.
- It was also suggested that the policy needs to set out more clearly the manifesto for proactive conservation of the Borough's historic environment.
- Historic England did welcome the commitments to proactively manage the historic environment, however felt that the status of some of the policies delivering heritage conservation require strengthening and requested that the wording is amended to include clearer statements, especially in the policies for the conservation, enhancement and enjoyment of the historic environment.
- Historic England request that the plan contains a positive strategy to benefit the historic environment.

Natural Environment

- 1 representation was received on the Natural Environment chapter.
- Cumbria GeoConservation requested that development at Elliscales Quarry made provision for rock faces to be kept clear and that access is allowed for geological groups.

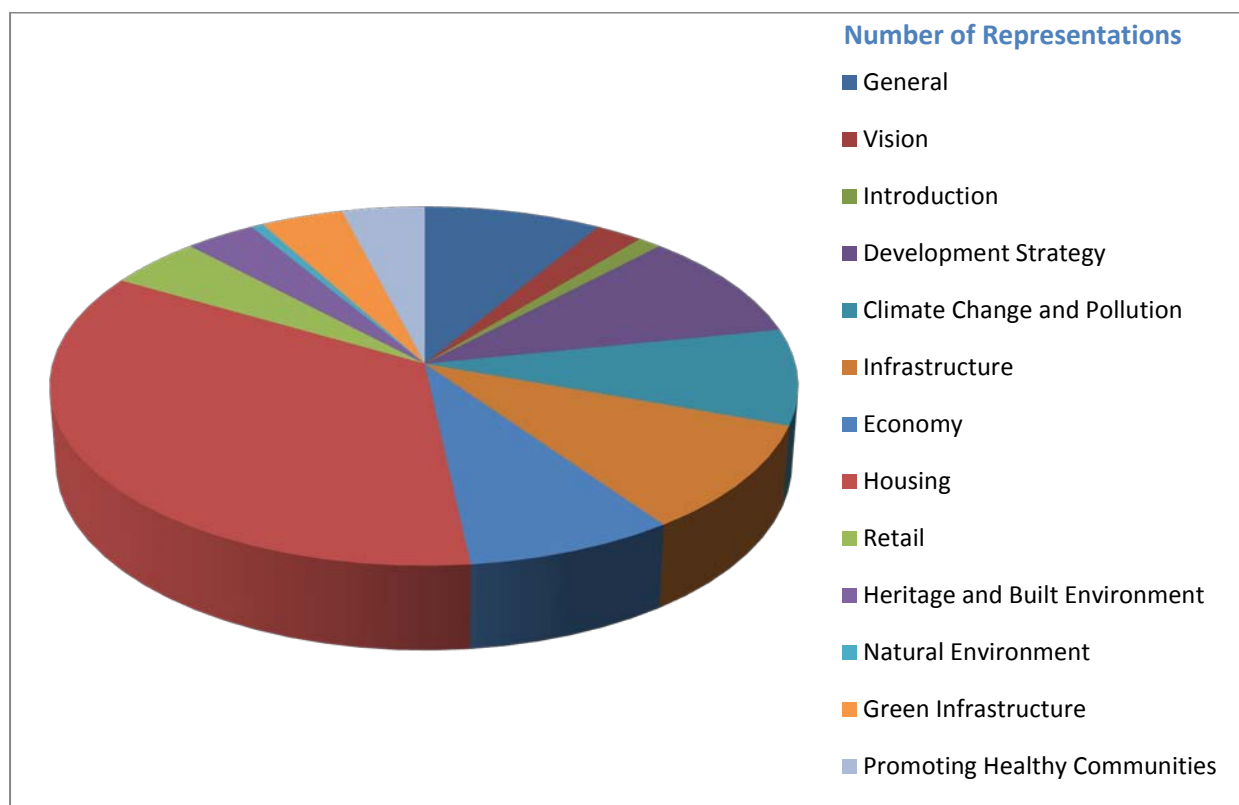
Green Infrastructure

- 11 representations were received relating to the Green Infrastructure chapter.

- A number of representations were received for this chapter, however they were mainly comments.
- Support was received from the Woodland Trust who welcome and support the policies on trees and woodland included in the Local Plan and it was noted that previous representations have been taken into account in this draft of the Local Plan.
- Support was given to the strong protection given to ancient woodland in the Borough.
- An objection was received from Oakmere Homes, as they feel that the proposed Rakesmoor and Abbey Road Green Wedge is not justified.

Promoting Healthy Communities

- 10 representations were received relating to the Promoting Healthy Communities chapter.
- Support was received from the MP, who welcomed the linkage of health, education and housing.
- Sport England raised concern regarding the evidence base to support and enable the implementation of policy HC6, HC7 and HC8.
- Sport England welcomed the requirement for a Noise and Mitigation Strategy in Policy HC8 and HC9.
- Representations were made regarding the availability of school places in Dalton which may be required be an additional 340 proposed households.



Comments relating to sites

618 representations were received in relation to suggested sites. Appendix 4 shows the comments received and the category in which they fall into. The representations included a number of comments in support of certain sites, however a number of objections were also received. The issues raised in relation to the sites included the following:

- Loss of open space
- Flooding and Drainage
- Traffic and Road Safety
- Effect on Services/Infrastructure
- Effect on Wildlife/Habitats
- Development of Greenfield Sites
- Impact on neighbouring properties eg loss of view, house prices, disturbance
- Ground conditions eg mine workings

6.3 Planning Policy Working Group

The Planning Policy Team arranged four working groups in June and July 2016 to provide an update to Members on the progress of the Local Plan and covered issues including green Infrastructure, housing, retail and economy.

7. Pre-Submission Draft

7.1 Modifications to the Plan

Since the Publication Draft in July 2016 a number of amendments were made in light of the consultation responses received and changes in the evidence used to support the Plan. This resulted in a further Draft of the Plan called the Pre Submission Draft being produced by the Council. Most notably, modifications were required as a result of updated household population estimates produced by the Government, which had an effect on the housing and employment figures included within the Plan. This resulted in a review of the objectively assessed need figure and a housing trajectory covering the period 2014 to 2031 being produced to determine the annual housing target. The annual requirement set out in the Publication Draft is 105 dwellings per year, this was amended to 133 dwellings per year in the Pre Submission Draft.

Major amendments to the wording Policy C3a Water Management and the addition of two new policies, Policy C3b Groundwater Protection and H26 Large Houses in Multiple Occupation and the Sub-division of Dwellings.

Minor amendments have been made which include the updating of dates and other factual information, minor wording changes for clarification and to address comments made by consultees.

Despite the annual housing requirement increasing, the additional dwellings can be accommodated on existing housing allocations and therefore no new sites were proposed. The majority of allocated sites remained the same however the boundaries of a small number of housing sites; REC25a REC43 and SHL70a were amended and the indicative yield increased or decreased for a number of sites as a result of the consultation responses, the Government White Paper 'Fixing our Broken Housing Market' produced in February 2017 and to enable more sustainable development. Sites SHL071 and SHL103 were removed as they have successfully received planning permission since the last Draft Plan was published, and SHL061 was changed to an Opportunity Area as it is being marketed for commercial use.

In addition, in order to address the ministerial statement, Suitable Areas for Wind Energy (Policy C6) were identified on the Proposals Map inside which wind energy development may be acceptable.

7.2 Consultation

Consultation on the Pre-Submission Draft of the Local Plan ran from 26th May to 7th July 2017 and included the following:

- The Council sent 647 consultation emails and 338 letters to interested parties including Councillors, specific consultees, consultants, architects, agents and housing developers.
- The Council published the consultations on the Council website.
- The Council made consultation documents available in Council offices and local libraries.
- The Council issued a press release to the local newspaper.
- The Council displayed posters and leaflets at the Town Hall and local libraries.
- The Council displayed a minimum of 2 site notices close to every proposed housing site.
- The Council held public drop in events throughout the Borough, attended by over 196 people.

7.3 Consultation Responses

At this stage the Council asked respondents to submit their representations on a specific form which required them to state whether they thought the Plan was legally compliant and sound and to indicate whether they wished to appear at the examination.

During the consultation period, the Council received representations from 141 different individuals, organisations and bodies. A total of 185 representations were received during the six week consultation period, with all comments and proposed amendments to be submitted to the Secretary of State, together with the Draft Plan for independent examination. 41 representors indicated that they wished to appear at the examination.

7.4 Planning Policy Working Group

The Planning Policy Team held a working group in August 2017 to discuss with the members the proposed amendments to the Local Plan, and the next steps towards submitting the Plan to the Planning Inspectorate for independent examination.

8. Submission Draft

8.1 Modifications to Plan

Since the Pre-Submission Draft in Summer 2017 it has been necessary to amend the Objectively Assessed Housing Need (OAN) in light of new evidence received. The Plan has been amended to include a requirement of 119 dwelling per year over the plan period 2016-2031.

In addition to this update, two modifications are required to the Local Plan Proposals Map as a result of consultation on the Pre-Submission Draft. These changes include an amendment to the boundary of the Energy Uses Opportunity Area to include the decommissioned South Morecambe Bay Gas Terminal and the now closed Roosecote Power Station, in order to acknowledge the potential of the sites for future exploration, production, generation and transmission of energy and related activities. Secondly, an additional area of open land has also been designated as a green space at Walker Street/James Street, Askam in Furness, as consultation with the local community identified the value of this open greenspace to local residents.

A number of minor editorial and factual amendments have also been made to the Plan. These changes have resulted in a further Draft of the Plan, called the Submission Draft being produced by the Council.

All the above amendments are scheduled in the Submission Draft Table of Major Modifications December 2017 and the Submission Draft Table of Minor Modifications which can be read in conjunction with the Draft Plan.

A further 6 week consultation was required during December 2017/January 2018 prior to the Plan being submitted to the Secretary of State.

8.2 Consultation

As stated above, Barrow Borough Council prepared a Submission Draft Local Plan in light of evidence which was received following the Pre-Submission Draft Plan. This evidence resulted in three areas being updated in the Plan, resulting in 27 major modifications referenced MAJ 1 to MAJ 27 which required public consultation. Comments were invited solely relating to these modifications. The consultation period ran from Friday 8th December 2017 until Wednesday 24th January 2018 and included the following:

- The Council sent 754 consultation emails and 342 letters to interested parties including Councillors, specific consultees, consultants, architects, agents and housing developers.
- The Council published the consultations on the Council website.
- The Council made consultation documents available in Council offices and local libraries.
- The Council issued a press release to the local newspaper.

8.3 Consultation Responses

Respondents were asked to submit representations, detailing to which major modification they related on a specific form which required them to state whether they thought the Plan was legally compliant and sound and to indicate whether they wished to appear at the examination.

During the consultation 13 representations were received from 13 representors, 5 were in support of the Plan, 1 stated they have no further comments, 1 was an objection to a minor amendment and 6 related to major modifications.

In terms of major modifications we received:

- 4 objections to MAJ 1
- 1 objection to MAJ2
- 1 objection to MAJ3-27
- 1 holding response from Cumbria County Council which supports MAJ2 and puts forward comments on MAJ1 and MAJ3-MAJ27.

5 of the representors indicated they still wished to appear at the examination hearings, these 5 had already indicated they wished to appear at Pre Submission stage. Therefore the total number of representors wishing to appear at the examination remains 41.

8.4 Planning Policy Working Group

The Planning Policy Team held a working group in November 2017, prior to the public consultation period, to discuss with the members the proposed modifications made to form the Submission Draft Local Plan. A report was then taken to the Council's Executive Committee where it was resolved that the modified Submission Draft Plan be the subject of a 6 week consultation and then submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination.

9. Conclusion

It is considered that the process followed throughout the production of the Local Plan so far has complied with the relevant regulations and Barrow Borough Council's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). Barrow Borough Council is committed to ensuring that the views of the community are taken into account when preparing the policies that will guide development in the Borough, in order to produce better quality development, which meets the needs and aspirations of the local community.

The representations received and issues raised have helped to meaningfully refine options, proposals, detailed policy wording and supporting text within the Submission Draft Barrow Borough Local Plan.

9.1 Next Steps

The Submission Draft Barrow Borough Local Plan is now at a stage where the Council considers it is the final version of the Plan and is ready for submission to the Secretary of State for independent examination. In line with the guidance set out in the National Planning Policy Framework the Plan is considered 'sound' in that it is positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy.

The Plan was subjected to a final 6 week public consultation during December 2017/January 2018 to invite comments from consultees on the major modifications to the Plan made since the Pre-Submission Draft in Summer 2017. The representations received, along with those received on the Pre Submission Draft, are now submitted to the Planning Inspectorate along with the Draft Plan and Proposals Map, Sustainability Appraisal and other supporting evidence.

The Draft Local Plan is submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination in accordance with Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (2) (January 2018). An independent Inspector will then be appointed to hold an examination in public to examine the document and to make any amendments in order that it be found sound and adopted by the Council.

This document was updated at the time of submission in line with Regulation 22 (1) (c) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (2) (January 2018).

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Planning Policy Consultees

Please note that the lists in this appendix also relate to successor bodies where re-organisations occur.

Specific

The specific consultation bodies include:

- Cumbria County Council
- Cumbria Police Authority
- Department for Communities and Local Government
- Environment Agency
- Historic England
- Home and Communities Agency
- Natural England
- North West Regional Leaders Board
- North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority
- The Coal Authority
- The Secretary of State for Transport

Neighbouring Local Authorities

- Copeland Borough Council
- South Lakeland District Council

Parish Councils

- Askam and Ireleth Parish Council
- Dalton with Newton Town Council
- Lindal and Marton Parish Council

Neighbouring Parish Councils

- Aldingham Parish Council
- Kirkby and Ireleth Parish Council
- Millom Town Council
- Millom without Parish Council
- Pennington Parish Council
- Urswick Parish Council

Owners/controllers of electronic communications apparatus

- Arqiva Services Limited
- EE
- Three
- Vodafone and O2

Organisations which provide electricity, gas or water, or deal with sewerage

- Electricity North West Limited (ENW)
- Northern Gas Networks

- United Utilities Water Limited

General

The general consultation bodies are defined as:

- Voluntary bodies some or all of whose activities benefit any part of the authority's area;
- Bodies which represent the interests of different racial, ethnic or national groups in the authority's area;
- Bodies which represent the interests of different religious groups in the authority's area;
- Bodies which represent the interests of disabled people in the authority's area; and
- Bodies which represent the interests of persons carrying out business in the authority's area.

To date the Council has identified the following general consultation bodies: -

- Active Cumbria
- Age UK Barrow and District
- Askam Road Resident Group
- Associated British Ports
- AWAZ Cumbria
- Barrow and District Disability Association
- Barrow and District Society for the Blind Ltd
- Barrow Civic and Local History Society
- Barrow Gypsy Group
- Barrow Island Community Trust
- Barrow Tenant's with Disability Forum
- Barrow Tenants' Forum
- Barrow Traders Association
- Bluesky Planning
- Cadet Gas
- Centrica
- Chetwynde School
- Children's Services, Cumbria County Council
- Churches together in Barrow
- Churches together in Dalton
- Churches Trust for Cumbria
- CLA North (Country Land and Business Association)
- Cumbria Clinical Commissioning Group
- Cumbria County Council – Area Support
- Cumbria Deaf Vision
- Cumbria Disability Network
- Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership
- Cumbria Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
- Dalton Local History Society
- Dalton Residents Stakeholder Group
- Dalton Traders Association
- DARE Dance Studio
- Department for Education
- Devonshire Road Residents and Tenants Association
- Feet First in Furness
- Four Groves Community Association
- Furness Academy

- Furness Building Society
- Furness Economic Development Forum
- Furness Multi-Cultural Community Forum
- Furness Ramblers Association
- Furness Rugby Union Football Club
- Grange and Cartmel Crescent Residents and Tenants Association
- Hindpool Community Association
- John Woodcock MP
- Keep Our Future Afloat Campaign
- Marine Management Organisation Northern Office
- MIND in Furness
- Morcambe Bay Partnership
- National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups
- NHS England
- NHS Property Services Ltd
- North Walney Residents' Association
- North West Ambulance Service
- North West Regional Leaders Board
- Openreach Newsites (British Telecom)
- Ormsgill Youth and Community Association
- OutReach Cumbria
- PC Lettings
- Phil Collier Associates
- Residents of Netherby Drive
- Roosegate Residents and Tenants Association
- St Bernard's Catholic High School
- Stoneleigh Close Residents Association
- Strategic Investment and Property, Cumbria County Council
- Street Voice for Barrow Island
- The National Federation of Liaison Groups
- Thomas Eggar LLP
- United Utilities Property Services
- University Hospitals of Morcambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust
- University Hospitals of Morcambe Bay Trust
- University of Cumbria Head Office
- Vulcan Road Tenants and Residents Association

Other

To date the Council has identified the following other consultation bodies, being charitable or statutory groups, organisations and agencies: -

- Accent North West
- Adult and Local Services
- Anchor Trust
- Applethwaite Limited
- Barrow and District Council for Voluntary Service
- Barrow Borough Sports Council
- Barrow Golf Club
- Barrow in Furness Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

- Barrow Sixth Form College
- British Astronomical Association
- British Horse Society
- CALC
- Children's Services
- Citizen's Advice Bureau
- Civil Aviation Authority
- Country Land and Business Association
- Cumbria and Lancashire Community Rehabilitation Company
- Cumbria Constabulary
- Cumbria Fire and Rescue Service
- Cumbria GeoConservation Group
- Cumbria Local Access Forum
- Cumbria Partnership Forum
- Cumbria Playing Fields Association
- Cumbria Tourism
- Cumbria Wildlife Trust
- Design Council
- Diocese of Carlisle
- Eamont Close Sheltered Housing Forum
- Fair oak Housing Association
- Federation of Small Businesses
- FFT Planning
- Fields of Trust
- Friends of the Earth
- Friends of the Lake District (CPRE)
- Furness College
- Furness Enterprise Limited
- General Aviation Awareness Council
- Health and Safety Executive
- Highways England
- HM Revenue and Customs
- Home Builders Federation
- Home Group
- Impact Housing Association
- Inspira Cumbria
- Invest in Cumbria (CIIA)
- Jobcentre Plus
- Lake District National Park Authority
- Local Flood Risk Management Team, Cumbria County Council
- Maritime and Coastguard Agency
- National Farmers Union
- National Grid
- Network Rail
- NHS North West
- North of England Civic Trust
- North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority
- Office of Nuclear Regulation
- Ramblers Association
- Road Haulage Association – Northern Region
- Royal Mail Group PLC
- Royal Yachting Association

- RSPB
- Sport England
- Street Voice for Lord Street Area
- Sure Start (Cumbria)
- The Campaign for Real Ale
- The Crown Estate
- The Gypsy Council
- The Lawn Tennis Association
- The National Trust
- The Planning Inspectorate
- The Princes Trust
- The Sea Cadets (Barrow)
- The Theatres Trust
- The Woodland Trust
- University Hospitals of Morcambe Bay NHS Trust
- Victoria Junior School
- Voluntary Action Cumbria

Appendix 2 – Regulation 18 Consultation Letter



**BARROW BOROUGH COUNCIL
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Our Ref: LP1
Your Ref:

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Date: 10 September 2012

Dear Sir/Madam,

**The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
Regulation 18
Consultation about the content of Barrow Borough Local Plan**

Barrow Borough Council is currently in the process of preparing a new Local Plan to update and replace current local planning policy.

The new document will set out strategic level policies, identify areas for new development and will set out policies for the control of development.

In order to do this effectively the Council are developing an evidence base of documents to inform the process, including a Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA), which was completed in May 2012, a Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA), an Employment Study, an Open Space Study, a Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) and a Retail Study. All of which will be available on the Council's website when completed (www.barrowbc.gov.uk/planningpolicy)

In addition to these evidence base documents, the Council are also keen to identify Local Plan issues through engagement and consultation with relevant bodies, organisations and the general public and, on that basis, your comments are welcomed as to what you consider the proposed Local Plan should contain.

Attached is a leaflet that should help to explain the process and inform and guide you in the preparation of comments and suggestions.

Comments should be made, in writing or by email, and sent to the address below **no later than 4.00pm on Friday 2nd November 2012.**

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Borough Treasurer
Susan Roberts

Or by email to: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk

Please be aware that any comments or suggestions made will not be treated as confidential and they will be taken into account in the preparation of a Draft Local Plan, which will be the subject of further consultation.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Solsby', written in a cursive style.

Steve Solsby
Assistant Director (Regeneration & Built Environment)

Appendix 3 – Regulation 18 Information Leaflet

What is in the current plan?

You may find it useful to have a look at the current 'saved' Local Plan policies, on the Barrow Borough Council website (barrowbc.gov.uk/planningpolicy) or in your local library, to find out what the new Local Plan will be replacing.

How to get involved

The easiest way to get involved is to email us at: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk with your comments. You can also make comments on the Council's Facebook page: <http://facebook.com/barrowbc>

If you prefer to write to us, you can drop your comments off at the Town Hall or post them to

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All comments must be received by: **Friday 2nd November 2012**

Further Information

For further information about the Local Plan please visit the Council's website at: www.barrowbc.gov.uk/planningpolicy

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Barrow-in-Furness Borough Local Plan

Have your say!



The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012
Regulation 18 Consultation

September 2012

The Local Plan Have your say!

Barrow Borough Council is preparing a new Local Plan. We'd like to know what people who live and work in the area think it should include.

What is the Local Plan?

The new Local Plan will update and replace current local planning policy. It will cover a period of at least 15 years and will shape the future of the Borough through new planning policies. The Council wants to know what people think these policies should include so we're asking you...

What is important for the Borough?

What do you think the Borough needs?

Where do you think development should go?

How should it be done?

We think the main issues in the Borough are...



• Housing



• Education



• Employment



• Environment
(built & natural)



• Community facilities & open space



• Traffic & Transport



• Retail



• Regeneration



• Tourism, Leisure & Culture



• Health & Wellbeing

Do you agree?

Appendix 4 – Issues and Options Consultation Letter



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Our Ref: LP1/IO Contact Name: Helen Houston Date: 19th September 2014
Your Ref: Direct Line: 01229 876363 Email: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Barrow Borough Local Plan – Issues & Options Consultation Draft
September 2014**

Barrow Borough Council is currently in the process of preparing a new Local Plan to update and replace current local planning policy, and has prepared an Issues & Options Draft Plan for consultation.

The Local Plan contains strategic level policies, policies for the control of development and identifies areas for new development. This Draft contains options for policies and sites and we are consulting you now on its content and any other issues you feel should be included.

A copy of the Barrow Borough Local Plan – Issues & Options Consultation Draft can be found on our website here <http://www.barrowbc.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=5237>

Hard copies are available to view at the Town Hall, Housing Office and Libraries throughout the Borough during normal opening hours.

Comments should be made in writing by post or email, and sent to the address below by **no later than 4.00pm on Friday 31st October 2014.**

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Please be aware that any comments or suggestions made will not be treated as confidential and in light of comments received, a Preferred Options Draft Plan will be prepared in Spring 2015 when further consultation will take place.

As part of the consultation we will be holding the following public drop-in sessions across the Borough, where officers will be available to discuss the Draft Plan.

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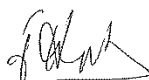
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Wednesday 1 st October	10am -3pm	The forum, Barrow
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Monday 6 th October	3.30-6.30pm	Dalton Drill Hall
Thursday 9 th October	4-7pm	Rampside Village Hall
Wednesday 15 th October	4-7pm	Walney Community Centre
Thursday 16 th October	3-6pm	Askam Community Centre
Tuesday 21 st October	4-7pm	Buccleuch Hall, Lindal

We would also like to know if you own, or know of, any sites above 0.1 hectares which you feel should be allocated for housing, employment or any other use in the new Local Plan. Any sites put forward will be assessed for their deliverability over the next few months. When submitting a site for consideration please provide:

- a map which clearly identifies the site and its boundaries (suggested scale 1:1250 or 1:2500)
- contact details / details of ownership
- as much information as possible including any known hazards/issues on the site.

Yours sincerely



Jason Hipkiss
Development Services Manager

Appendix 5 – Issues and Options Response Form



Issues & Options Draft September 2014

Comments Form

Please use this form to write any comments you wish to make in respect of the Barrow Borough Local Plan Issues and Options Draft.

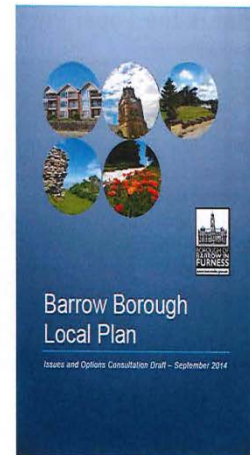
This form may be photocopied, or you can obtain further copies free of charge from Barrow Borough Council. If there is insufficient space provided, please continue on a separate sheet as necessary and staple it firmly to this form.

<p>Your Details</p> <p>Name</p> <p>Organisation</p> <p>Address</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Postcode</p> <p>Email</p>	<p>Agent's Details (if applicable)</p> <p>Name</p> <p>Company</p> <p>Address</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Postcode</p> <p>Email</p>
<p>Would you prefer any future consultations by email? Yes / No</p> <p>Would you be happy to download documents from the Council's Website? Yes/No</p>	
<p>Your Comments</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>Site/Policy Reference (if appropriate)</p>

Appendix 6 – Issues and Options Information Leaflet

What the Issues and Options Draft Includes

- Vision for the Borough
- Objectives
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- Climate Change & Pollution
- Infrastructure
- Economy
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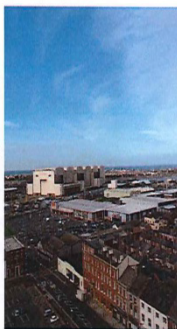




Barrow Borough Local Plan (Issues & Options Draft)

What is the Local Plan?

The Local Plan will guide development over the 15 years following its adoption in 2016. It will allocate sites for development and will protect important areas such as public open space and natural habitats. It will also contain planning policies which will be used when determining planning applications.



The Plan will replace the existing *Borough Local Plan Review 1996-2006* and will sit alongside the *Barrow Port Area Action Plan 2010*.

The Issues and Options Draft is the first draft of the Local Plan. It is an important document as it sets out what the Council thinks are the main issues the Local Plan should address. It also lists alternative policy options and alternative sites which could be allocated for development.

The Issues and Options draft has been informed by a number of evidence base documents and previous consultation which has been ongoing since 10th September 2012.

How can I get Involved?

The Council needs your help to ensure it chooses and progresses the right options and sites in the Local Plan. We are therefore running a consultation to find out whether you think the most relevant issues are covered in this first draft and which options and sites you think should become the Council's Preferred Options.

This is also the time to let us know if you own or know of a site which you think should be allocated for development in the Local Plan, or one which you think should be protected from development.

You can get involved in the following ways:

By email: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk

By post: See address overleaf

Comments forms are available at:

www.barrowbc.gov.uk/planningpolicy

The deadline for comments and site submissions is:

4pm Friday 31st October

We will also be holding the following **drop-in consultation events** where you can view the Issues and Options Draft and plans, speak to a Planning Officer and make comments:

Date	Time	Location	Venue
1/10/14	10am-3pm	Barrow	The Forum, Duke Street
2/10/14	4-7pm	Newton	Village Hall, Newton Cross Road
6/10/14	3.30-6.30pm	Dalton	Drill Hall, Nelson Street
9/10/14	4-7pm	Rampside	Village Hall, Rampside
15/10/14	4-7pm	Walney	Community Centre, Central Drive
16/10/14	3-6pm	Askam	Community Centre, Duke Street
21/10/14	4-7pm	Lindal	Buccleuch Hall, The Green

How will my comments be taken into account?

We will consider all the comments we receive during the consultation period and will publish details of how we have taken them into account. Any comments received are not considered confidential. The consultation responses, along with other ongoing assessments, such as the Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulation Assessment, will inform which of the sites and policy options are then chosen by the Council as their Preferred Options. This will be consulted upon in early 2015



Where Can I View the Issues & Options Draft?

The Draft can be seen on the Council's website at:

<http://www.barrowbc.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=5237>

Hard copies are also available to view at Barrow Town Hall, Housing Office and Libraries throughout the Borough during normal opening hours.

Appendix 7 – Responses to Sites Received During Consultation for the Issues and Options Draft – September / October 2014

Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
Remaining part of Furness Business Park, Barrow	EMR01	1			1
Land at Sandscale Park, Barrow	EMR02	1	1		2
Waterfront, Business Park, Barrow	EMR03	1			1
Land South of Scarth Road, Barrow	EMR04	1			1
Land East of Park Road, Barrow	EMR05	1		1	2
Land West of Robert McBride, Barrow	EMR06	1			1
Land South of Kimberley Clark, Barrow	EMR07	1			1
Land West of County Park Industrial Park	EMR08	1			1
Land South of Ashley and Rock, Barrow	EMR09	1			1
Sowerby Woods Business Park, Barrow	EMR10	1			1
Ulverston Road, Dalton	EMR11	1			1
Land East of Saves Lane, Askam	REC01	1		2	3
Duke Street, Askam	REC02	2			2
Land at junction of Lots Rd and Duke St, Askam	REC03	1	2	1	4
Land at Junction of Urswick Road and Railway Line	REC04	1		3	4
Land south of Leece Lane, Barrow	REC05	2	3	1	6

Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
Land opposite 18-36 London Road, Lindal	REC07	3			3
Former Brady's Yard, Walney Road, Barrow	REC08	1		1	2
Field between Netherby Drive and Ormsgill Lane	REC09		1		1
Land to west of Crooklands Brow, Dalton	REC10	1	1		2
Land north of The Bungalow, Nr Hare Ghyll, Dalton	REC11	1			1
Salthouse Triangle	REC12	1			1
Former Candleworks Site, Schneider Road	REC13B	1		1	2
Park View School Buildings, Barrow	REC16		1		1
Field to North of Park View School, Barrow	REC17			1	1
Field to east of Park View School, Barrow	REC18	2		2	4
Thornccliffe South Barrow (School Buildings Section)	REC19A	1			1
Thornccliffe South (Tennis Court/Field)	REC19B	1			1
Thornccliffe North, Barrow	REC20	1			1
No. 4 Market Street (Social Services) Barrow	REC21	1			1
Land East of Moor Tarn Lane, Barrow	REC24	1		1	2
Land at Greenhills Farm, Dalton	REC25	1	1		2
Land East of Holbeck, Barrow	REC26	2		1	3
Land West of Breast Mill Beck Road, Barrow	REC29	1			1

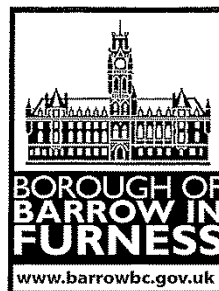
Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
Land North of New Road, Askam	REC31	2	1		3
Field South of Newton Village, Newton	REC32	1			1
Land East of Yarlside Road, Barrow	REC33	1			1
Site at Junction of Land Lane and Newton Road	REC34	1	1	1	3
Land to rear of Greystone, Newton	REC35	1			1
Land South of New Road, Askam	REC36	2	1		3
Land East of London Road, Lindal	REC37	3		1	4
Land to rear of Farmers Arms, Newton	REC39			1	1
Marina Village	SHL001	2			2
Salthouse Mills	SHL002	1		2	3
Barrow Island Site (Off Farm Street)	SHL003	1			1
Land at Crooklands Brow, Dalton	SHL005	1			1
Land at Beach Street/Sharp Street, Askam	SHL006a	1			1
Land at Channelside (South), Barrow	SHL007b			1	1
Park Vale, Walney, Barrow	SHL010	1	1		2
Land to South East of former Park View School	SHL014	2	2		4
Urofoam Factory, Duddon Road, Askam	SHL017	1		2	3

Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
Arlington House, Abbey Road, Barrow	SHL022	1	1		2
Land South of Ashley and Road, Park Road, Barrow	SHL037	2			2
Land at East of Ulverston Road	SHL039	1			1
North Central Clearance Area, Barrow	SHL047	1			1
Former Yard and Garage, Elm Road, Barrow	SHL054	1			1
Site to North of Sowerby Wood (Sandscale Park)	SHL058		1		1
Former Avon Garden Centre, Mill Lane, Barrow	SHL059	1	1		2
Former Kwik Save, Holker Street, Barrow	SHL061	1			1
Former Alfred Barrow School, Barrow	SHL062	2			2
Car Park opposite former Alfred Barrow School	SHL063a	2	1		3
Former Presbyterian Church, School St	SHL065	1	1		2
Fields rear of Croslands Park, Holly Croft	SHL068	1	2		3
Land between Saves Lane and Ireleth Rd, Ireleth	SHL069	1			1
Land East of Abbey Meadow, Flass Lane	SHL070	1	1		2
Land to South of Abbey Meadow	SHL070a	1			1
No. 11 Small Holding (including building)	SHL071	1			1
Fields to rear of Sixth Form and St Bernard's	SHL073	2	2		4

Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
Land East of SHL103, Barrow	SHL073a		1		1
Field between Manor Road and Sixth Form College	SHL074	2		1	3
Land North of Listers North, Barrow	SHL075	1	1		2
High Riddings, Ireleth	SHL077	1			1
FGH site, Dalton Lane, Barrow	SHL078	1			1
FGH Site, Abbey Road	SHL079	2	1		3
Land North of Dungeon Lane	SHL080	2	3		5
Land South of Ormsgill Lane, Barrow	SHL081	2	1		3
Land East of Rakesmoor Lane, Barrow	SHL082			1	1
Land East of Holbeck Park Avenue	SHL083	2		1	1
Land West of Old Rampside Road, Barrow	SHL085	1	1		2
Land at Lots Road, Askam	SHL086	1	2	1	4
Long Croft, Barrow	SHL087	1	1		2
Bank Lane / Middlefield junction	SHL088	2	1		3
Land adjacent to Island Tavern,	SHL089	2	1		3
Land adjacent to Park Vale, Walney	SHL090	2	1		3
Island Tavern, Walney	SHL091	2	1		3
Land to rear of Newton Village Hall, Newton	SHL092	1			1
Land West of Mill Lane, Walney	SHL094	1	2		3

Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
FGH Site, Dalton Lane / Abbey Road	SHL095	2	1	1	4
Crompton Drive, Dalton	SHL096	1		1	2
Hawcoat Park (North)	SHL099a	1	1		2
Hawcoat Park (South)	SHL099b	1			1
Land North of Westpoint House, Solway Drive	SHL100a	1			1
Land North of Westpoint House, Solway Drive	SHL100b	1	1		2
Land South of Westpoint House, Solway Drive	SHL101	1			1
Site South of Long Lane, Dalton	SHL102	1	2		3
Land off Meadowlands Avenue, Barrow	SHL103	1			1
Total		114	48	29	189

Appendix 8 – Preferred Options Consultation Letter



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Our Ref: LP1/PO Contact Name: Helen Houston Date: 8th July 2015
Your Ref: Direct Line: 01229 876363 Email: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Barrow Borough Local Plan – Preferred Options Consultation Draft
June 2015**

Barrow Borough Council is currently in the process of preparing a new Local Plan to update and replace current local planning policy. We produced an Issues and Options Draft in September 2014 and the responses received during the consultation, along with evidence base studies and supporting documentation, have informed the production of a Preferred Options Draft. The Local Plan Preferred Options Draft is now available for consultation.

The Local Plan contains both strategic level and development control policies and identifies areas for new development. This Draft sets out what the Council thinks are the main issues facing the Borough, lists policies which have been formulated from a range of options put forward in the previous draft and identifies preferred sites to be allocated for development.

The Council is also consulting on the following documents which support the Preferred Options Draft:

- Draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan
- Draft Employment Land Review
- Draft Green Infrastructure Strategy (available July 2015)
- Draft Interim Sustainability Appraisal Report (available August 2015)

A copy of the Barrow Borough Local Plan Preferred Options Consultation Draft, and the documents listed above, can be found on our website at <http://www.barrowbc.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/planning-policy-consultation/>. There will also be a number of supporting documents available to view.

Hard copies are available to view at Barrow Town Hall, Dalton Town Hall and Libraries throughout the Borough during normal opening hours.

Comments should be made in writing by post or email, and sent to the address below by **no later than 4.00pm on Friday 4th September 2015.**

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Please be aware that any comments or suggestions made will not be treated as confidential and in light of comments received a Publication Draft Plan will be prepared in early 2016 when further consultation will take place.

As part of the consultation we will be holding public drop-in sessions across the Borough, where officers will be available to discuss the Draft Plan. These will be held in Barrow, Newton, Dalton, Rampside, Walney, Askam and Lindal. Further details will be available on the Council's website at <http://www.barrowbc.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/planning-policy-consultation/>.

Yours faithfully

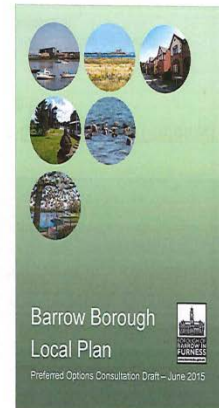


Jason Hipkiss
Development Services Manager

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The Plan will replace the existing *Borough Local Plan Review 1996-2006* and will sit alongside the *Barrow Port Area Action Plan 2010*.

The Preferred Options Draft is the second draft of the Local Plan. It is an important document as it sets out the Council's preferred policies and sites to take forward into the new Local Plan.

The Preferred Options draft has been informed by a number of evidence base documents and previous consultation which has been ongoing since 10th September 2012, including consultation on the previous draft, the Issues & Options Draft which took place in September/October 2014.

How can I get Involved?

The Council needs your help to ensure it takes forward the right options and sites in the Local Plan. We are therefore running a consultation to find out people's opinions on the policies and sites within the Preferred Options Draft.

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The deadline for comments and site submissions is:

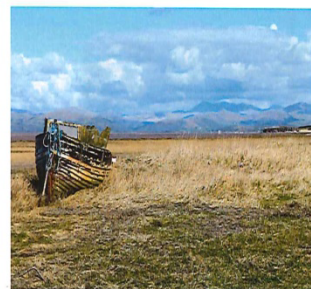
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Where Can I View the Preferred Options Draft?

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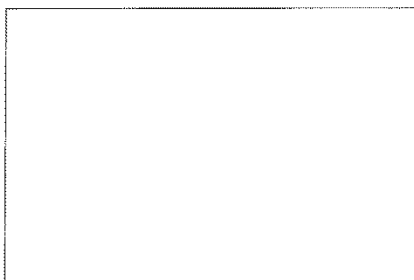
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Duke Street, Askam	REC02	1			1
Land at junction of Lots Rd and Duke St, Askam	REC03	1			1
Land south of Leece Lane, Barrow	REC05	3	2		5
Field between Netherby Drive and Ormsgill Lane	REC09	1			1
Land to west of Crooklands Brow, Dalton	REC10	2			2
Field to east of Park View School, Barrow	REC18	2	2		4
Thornccliffe South (Tennis Court/Field)	REC19B	2			2
Land at Greenhills Farm, Dalton	REC25	2	5		7
Land East of Holbeck, Barrow	REC26	2	3	1	6
Land North of New Road, Askam	REC31	1			1
Site at Junction of Land Lane and Newton Road	REC34	2	18		20
Land South of New Road, Askam	REC36	1			1
Land East of London Road, Lindal	REC37	1	1	1	3
Land to rear of Farmers Arms, Newton	REC39	1	8	1	10
Land East of Greystone Lane	REC43	3			3

Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
Elliscales Quarry and Land to the West, Dalton	REC47	1			1
Land East of Askam Road, Dalton	REC48	1			1
Newton Road, Dalton	REC50			1	1
Land South of Leece Lane	REC51			1	1
Land off Tantabank, Dalton	REC52			1	1
Marina Village	SHL001	3	1		4
Salthouse Mills	SHL002	3		1	4
Land at Crooklands Brow, Dalton	SHL005	2			2
Park Vale, Walney, Barrow	SHL010	1	1		2
Former Candleworks Site, Schneider Road	SHL013b	2		1	3
Urofoam Factory, Duddon Road, Askam	SHL017	1			1
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Former Avon Garden Centre, Mill Lane, Barrow	SHL059	1		1	2
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Fields rear of Croslands Park, Holly Croft	SHL068	2	21		23
Land to South of Abbey Meadow	SHL070a	2			2
No. 11 Small Holding	SHL071	1			1
Field between Manor Road and	SHL074	2			2

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Sixth Form College					
Land East of Rakesmoor Lane, Barrow	SHL082	2		1	3
FGH Site, Dalton Lane / Abbey Road	SHL095	2			2
Crompton Drive, Dalton	SHL096	2	9	1	12
Land North of Westpoint House, Solway Drive	SHL100a	2			2
Land South of Westpoint House, Solway Drive	SHL101	2			2
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Appendix 11 – Publication Draft Consultation Letter



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Our Ref: Publication Draft	Your Ref:	Date: 05 September 2016
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Dear Consultee

Barrow Borough Local Plan – Publication Draft – July 2016

Barrow Borough Council is currently in the process of preparing a new Local Plan to update and replace current local planning policy. We have produced a Publication Draft, which will guide development in the Borough over the next 15 years. It contains strategic policies, which will be used to determine planning applications and includes a target, which will guide how many new houses will be built in the Borough up to 2031. The Draft Local Plan also identifies sites, which can be developed for housing and employment.

The Council produced a Preferred Options Draft in June 2015 and the responses received during the consultation, along with evidence base studies and supporting documentation, have informed the production of this Publication Draft. The Council are committed to ensuring that the views of the community are taken into account and we are now ready to go out to consultation with this draft of the Local Plan. It is important to us that as many people as possible have the opportunity to have their say at this stage.

The Council are also consulting on the Sustainability Appraisal Report, which will be available to view at the Town Hall. The Sustainability process has informed the emerging Local Plan and is required in order to work towards achieving sustainable development.

A copy of the Barrow Borough Local Plan Publication Draft and the Sustainability Appraisal can be found on our website at www.barrowbc.gov.uk. There will also be a number of supporting documents available to view.

Paper copies of the Draft Local Plan document can also be viewed at the following locations:

- Barrow Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow in Furness, Cumbria, LA14 2LD
- Dalton Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness, Cumbria, LA15 8DT
- Libraries in Askam, Barrow, Barrow Island, Dalton, Roose and Walney

**Executive Director
Phil Huck**

Director of Resources
Susan Roberts

Comments and suggestions are invited between Monday 5th September and 4.00pm on Monday 17th October.

These can be made by:

- Emailing: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk
- Writing to: Planning Policy Team, Barrow Borough Council, Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow in Furness, Cumbria LA14 2LD

Please be aware that any comments or suggestions made will not be treated as confidential and in light of comments received, a Submission Draft of the Local Plan will be prepared in early 2017 when further consultation will take place.

As part of the consultation we will be holding public drop-in sessions across the Borough, where officers will be available to discuss the Draft Plan. These will be held in Barrow, Newton, Dalton, Rampside, Walney, Askam and Lindal. Further details will be available on the Council's website.

Should you have any queries regarding the Local Plan, or any other aspect of planning policy, please do not hesitate to contact me and my team by calling 01229 876398, or by writing to us using the details above.

Yours faithfully



Jason Hipkiss
Development Services Manager

Executive Director
Phil Huck

Director of Resources
Susan Roberts

Appendix 12 – Publication Draft Information Leaflet

The Local Plan Publication Draft includes policies and allocations for:

- Development Strategy
- Climate Change & Pollution
- Infrastructure
- Economy
- Housing
- Retail
- Heritage & Built Environment
- Natural Environment
- Green Infrastructure
- Promoting Healthy Communities

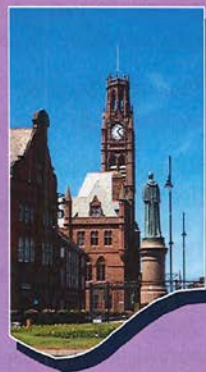


Where Can I View the Publication Draft?

The Draft Local Plan can be seen on the Council's website at:

www.barrowbc.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/planning-policy-consultation

Hard copies are also available to view at Barrow Town Hall, Dalton Town Hall and Libraries throughout the Borough, during normal opening hours.



Contact Details

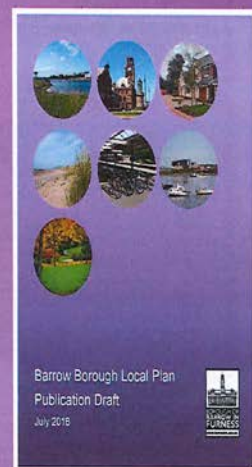
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Council



Barrow Borough Local Plan Publication Draft



Consultation
5th September - 17th October 2016



Barrow Borough Local Plan Publication Draft

What is the Local Plan?

The Local Plan will guide development over the 15 years following its adoption in 2017. It will allocate sites for development and will protect important areas such as public open space and natural habitats. It will also contain planning policies which will be used when determining planning applications.

The Plan will replace the existing Borough Local Plan Review 1996-2006 and will sit alongside the Barrow Port Area Action Plan 2010.



The Publication Draft is the third draft of the Local Plan.

The Publication Draft has been informed by a number of evidence base documents and previous consultations. This process has been ongoing since 10th September 2012, including consultations on previous drafts which took place in 2014 and 2015.

How can I get involved?

The Council needs your help to ensure it takes forward the right options and sites in the Local Plan. We are therefore running a consultation to find out people's opinions on the policies and sites within the Publication Draft.

We will also be holding the following drop-in consultation events where you can view the Publication Draft, plans, speak to a Planning Officer and make comments:



How will my comments be taken into account?

We will consider all the comments we receive during the consultation period and will publish details of how we have taken them into account. Any comments received are not considered confidential. The consultation responses, along with other ongoing assessments and evidence will be used to inform the next Draft of the Plan in 2017.



The deadline for comments is:

17th October 2016

Details on where you can view the Publication Draft and full contact details are on the back page of this leaflet.

Appendix 13 – Responses to Sites Received During Consultation for the Publication Draft – September 2016

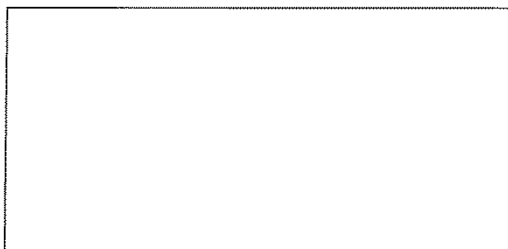
Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
Remaining part of Furness Business Park, Barrow	EMR01	1			1
Waterfront, Business Park, Barrow	EMR03	1			1
Land East of Park Road, Barrow	EMR05	1			1
Land West of Robert McBride, Barrow	EMR06	1			1
Land South of Kimberley Clark, Barrow	EMR07	1			1
Land West of County Park Industrial Park	EMR08	1			1
Ulverston Road, Dalton	EMR11	1			1
Land at Billings Road, Dalton	EMR12	1			1
Former Training Centre, North Scale	EMR13	1			1
Land opposite Phoenix Court, Barrow	EMR15	1			1
Land at Channelside (South) formerly SHL007b	OPP1	1			1
Former Golf Driving Range, Walney Road formerly SHL009	OPP2	2			2
Salthouse Mills formerly SHL002	OPP3	2			2
Phoenix Road (by Travelodge) formerly EMR16	OPP4	1			1

Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
General	n/a	2	1	1	4
General (Askam)	n/a		1		1
General (Dalton)	n/a		63		63
General (Dalton / Newton)	n/a		1		1
Land West of Saves Lane, Askam	REC01	1	2		3
Duke Street, Askam	REC02	1	6		7
Land at junction of Lots Rd and Duke St, Askam	REC03	1	2		3
Land south of Leece Lane, Barrow	REC05	1	1		2
Field between Netherby Drive and Ormsgill Lane	REC09	1	8		9
Land to West of Crooklands Brow, Dalton	REC10		1		1
Field to East of Park View School, Barrow	REC18	1	3		4
Thornccliffe South (Tennis Court/Field)	REC19b	1	2		3
Land at Greenhills Farm, Dalton	REC25a	2	2	1	5
Land East of Holbeck, Barrow	REC26	1	21		22
Land North of New Road, Askam	REC31	1	2		3
Site at Junction of Land Lane and Newton Road	REC34	1	118		119
Land South of New Road, Askam	REC36	1	2		3
Land East of London Road, Lindal	REC37	2	1	1	4
Land to rear of Farmers Arms, Newton	REC39	1	6	1	8

Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
Land East of Greystone Lane, Dalton	REC43	1	1		2
Land to West of Askam Road (inc Elliscales Quarry)	REC47	1	73		74
Land East of Askam Road, Dalton	REC48	2	82		84
Land at Hollygate Road	REC49	1	26	1	28
Land off Tantabank, Dalton	REC52	1	5	1	7
Strawberry Ground, Crosslands Park, Barrow	REC54	6	18		24
Marina Village	SHL001	1			1
Land at Crooklands Brow, Dalton	SHL005	1			1
Land at Mill Lane, Walney	SHL010a	1			1
Former Candleworks Site (South), Schneider Rd	SHL013b	1			1
Urofoam Factory, Duddon Road	SHL017	2			2
E5 Land South of Ashley & Rock, Park Road	SHL037	1			1
North Central Clearance Area, Barrow	SHL047	1			1
Former Avon Garden Centre, Mill Lane, Walney	SHL059	1		1	2
Former Kwik Save Premises Holker St Barrow	SHL061	1			
Fields rear of Croslands Park, Holly Croft	SHL068	1	4		5
Land to South of Abbey Meadow	SHL070	1			1
No11 Smallholding (inc building)	SHL071	1			

Address	Site	Comment	Objection	Support	Total
Land East of Rakesmoor Lane, Barrow	SHL082	3	81		84
Crompton Drive, Dalton	SHL096	1	4	1	6
Land North of Westpoint House (western section), Solway Drive, Walney	SHL100a	1	3		4
Land South of Westpoint House, Solway Drive, Walney	SHL101	1	3		4
Land at Meadowlands Ave	SHL103	1	1		2
TOTAL		66	544	8	618

Appendix 14 – Pre-Submission Consultation Letter



**Planning Policy
Regeneration & Built Environment
Directorate**

TOWN HALL DUKE STREET
BARROW-IN-FURNESS CUMBRIA LA14 2LD
FAX: (01229) 876543
DX No: 63917 BARROW-IN-FURNESS

Our Ref: LP9/1 Contact Name: Helen Houston Date: 26/05/2017
Your Ref: 1 Direct Line: 01229 876363 Email: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk

Dear Consultee,

Barrow Borough Local Plan – Pre-Submission Draft

Barrow Borough Council has been preparing a new Local Plan, over a number of years, which will guide development in the Borough up to 2031. The Barrow Borough Local Plan Pre Submission Draft is now at a stage where the Council considers it is ready for submission to the Secretary of State for independent examination. In line with the guidance set out in the National Planning Policy Framework the Plan is considered 'sound' in that it is positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy. The Plan will now be subjected to a 6 week public consultation to invite comments from consultees on whether they agree that the Plan is sound.

The consultation period will run from Friday 26th May to 5pm on Friday 7th July 2017.

The Draft Local Plan is available to view on our website at www.barrowbc.gov.uk, together with the Proposals Map, Sustainability Appraisal and other supporting evidence. Paper copies of the Plan and maps can also be viewed at the following locations during normal opening hours:

- Barrow Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow in Furness, Cumbria, LA14 2LD
- Dalton Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness, Cumbria, LA15 8DT
- Libraries in Askam, Barrow, Barrow Island, Dalton, Roose and Walney

Comments can be made by completing a response form, which is available online at www.barrowbc.gov.uk. Please return the completed forms by:

- Email: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk or
- Post: Planning Policy Team, Barrow Borough Council, Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow in Furness, Cumbria LA14 2LD

Please note that comments can only be accepted on a completed response form.

Following this consultation the Plan will be submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government for independent examination. Therefore any completed response forms received will not be treated as confidential and will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate, together with the Local Plan, Proposals Map and other supporting documents.

Executive Director
Phil Huck

Director of Resources
Susan Roberts

Whilst we will acknowledge receipt of all representations received, it will not be possible for us to respond individually to any comments made.

As part of the consultation we will be holding public drop-in sessions, where officers will be available to discuss the Draft Local Plan. Please come along to any of the following events:

- Friday 2nd June 2017 10.00-16.00 The Forum, Barrow
- Monday 5th June 2017 13.00-18.00 Dalton Drill Hall, Nelson St, Dalton
- Thursday 15th June 2017 15.00-18.00 Askam Community Centre, Duke St, Askam
- Wednesday 21st June 2017 10.00-13.00 The Forum, Barrow
- Wednesday 28th June 2017 10.00-16.00 The Forum, Barrow

Should you have any queries regarding the Local Plan, or any aspect of planning policy, please do not hesitate to contact Planning Policy by calling 01229 876398, or by emailing or writing to us using the details above.

Yours faithfully



Helen Houston
Senior Planning Officer (Policy)

Executive Director
Phil Huck

Director of Resources
Susan Roberts

Appendix 15 – Pre-Submission Response Form



Representation Form Part A

For office use only	
Consultee Ref:	Date Received
Representation Ref:	

**Barrow Borough Council
Regulation 19 Consultation: Pre-Submission Draft Local Plan**

The consultation period on the Pre-Submission Draft Local Plan will run from **Friday 26th May 2017 to 5pm on Friday 7th July 2017**. The document and more information on the consultation can be viewed on our website <http://www.barrowbc.gov.uk/residents/planning/planning-policy/>

How to use this form

1. Please complete Part A in full.
2. Then complete Part B for **each representation** that you wish to make.

Personal Details

Person(s) or organisation submitting comments	
Name	
Organisation (if applicable)	
Address	
Tel. No.	
Email	

Agent (if applicable)	
Name	
Organisation	
Address	
Tel. No.	
Email	

In order to be valid you must complete both Part A and Part B of the representation form and return them to the Planning Policy Team via email or post.

- E-mail: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk
- Post to: Planning Policy, Barrow Borough Council, Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria, LA14 2LD

Please note that representations cannot be kept confidential but all responses will be held by the Council in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. All representations received and any information provided will be open to public scrutiny including publication on the Council's website.

Personal information (such as your address or email address) will remain confidential. However, your contact details will be shared with the Programme Officer & Inspector for the purposes of the Public Examination. We will use your contact details to notify you about future stages of the plan process. By submitting this form you are agreeing to the above.

Signature		Date	
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For further information regarding the Pre-Submission Draft Local Plan consultation process, please contact 01229 876341.



Representation Form Part B

For office use only		
Consultee Ref:		Date Received
Representation Ref:		

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Regulation 19 Consultation: Pre-Submission Draft Local Plan**

Please use a separate Part B form for each representation. Representations must be attached to Part A of the representation form. Please note that we cannot accept anonymous responses.

Please print your name on each separate Part B representation.

Name (Print)	
Organisation	
Date	

1. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

Please state clearly which policy, paragraph or table/figure.

Policy	
Paragraph	
Table/Figure	

Before continuing please refer to the guidance notes for further explanation regarding Legal Compliance and Soundness

2. Do you consider the Local Plan to be legally compliant?

Legally compliant?	Yes		No	
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3. Do you consider the Local Plan to be sound or sound with minor amendments?

Sound?	Yes		No	
Sound with minor amendments?	Yes		No	

If you have selected 'Yes' to either of the above then please skip question 4 and continue to question 5.

4. If you consider the Plan is unsound, on which grounds do you consider the document to be unsound?

Please select as many as you consider apply.

Positively Prepared	
Justified	
Effective	
Consistent with national policy	

5. Please provide details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound. Also if you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the plan, please also use this box to set out your comments.

Please be as precise as possible.

Please note: Your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support and justify the representation and the suggested change. There will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations. After this stage, further submissions will be only at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he/she identifies for examination.

6. Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the tests you have identified in question 3 where this relates to soundness.

Please say why you consider the change(s) will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

6. If your representation is seeking a change, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

Yes		No	
I wish to participate		I do not wish to participate	

7. If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:
Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the examination.

Please attach any additional documentation you consider necessary to support your representation.

Submitting your representation

In order to be valid you must complete both Part A and Part B of the representation form and return them to the Planning Policy Team via email or post.

- E-mail: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk
- Post to: Planning Policy, Barrow Borough Council, Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria, LA14 2LD

Please note that representations cannot be kept confidential but all responses will be held by the Council in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. All representations received and any information provided will be open to public scrutiny including publication on the Council's website.

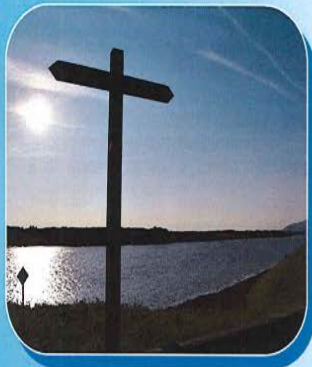
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If you have any queries regarding the consultation process please do not hesitate to contact the Planning Policy Team on 01229 876341.

Appendix 16 – Pre-Submission Information Leaflet

The Pre-Submission Draft Local Plan includes policies and allocations for:

- Development Strategy
- Climate Change & Pollution
- Infrastructure
- Economy
- Housing
- Retail
- Heritage & Built Environment
- Natural Environment
- Green Infrastructure
- Promoting Healthy Communities
- Monitoring

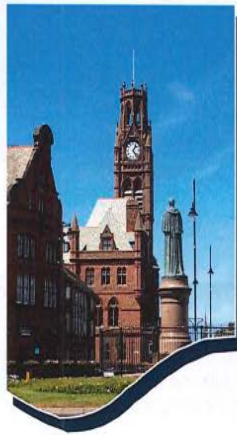


Where can I view the Pre-Submission Draft?

The Draft Local Plan can be seen on the Council's website at:

www.barrowbc.gov.uk/residents/planning/planning-policy/local-plan/pre-submission-draft-local-plan/

Hard copies are also available to view at Barrow Town Hall, Dalton Town Hall and Libraries throughout the Borough, during normal opening hours.



Contact Details

Barrow Borough Council
Planning Policy Team
Town Hall, Duke Street
Barrow-in-Furness
Cumbria, LA14 2LD

Phone: 01229 876363 or 876388 or 876349
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Barrow Borough Council



Barrow Borough Local Plan Pre-Submission Draft



Consultation
26th May 2017 - 7th July 2017



Barrow Borough Local Plan Pre-Submission Draft

What is the Local Plan?

The Council has prepared a new Local Plan for Barrow Borough which contains plans and policies that will guide development in the borough up to 2031.

It will allocate sites for development and will protect important areas such as public open space and natural habitats. It will also contain planning policies which will be used when determining planning applications.

The Plan will replace the existing Borough Local Plan Review 1996-2006 and will sit alongside the Barrow Port Area Action Plan 2010.



The Pre-Submission Draft is the fourth draft of the Local Plan.

The Pre-Submission Draft has been informed by a number of evidence base documents and previous consultations. This process has been ongoing since 2012, including consultations on previous drafts which took place in 2014, 2015 and 2016.

After numerous rounds of consultation and receiving comments from many interested organisations, groups and individuals, the Council is now preparing to submit the Plan to the government for independent review.

The Barrow Borough Local Plan Pre Submission Draft is now at a stage where the Council considers it is ready for submission to the Secretary of State for independent examination. The Plan will be subjected to a 6 week public consultation to invite comments from consultees on whether they agree that the Plan is sound.



How can I get involved?

Comments can be made by completing a response form, which is available online at www.barrowbc.gov.uk Please return the completed forms by:

Email: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk or
Post: Planning Policy Team, Barrow Borough Council, Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow in Furness, Cumbria LA14 2LD

Please note that comments can only be accepted on a completed response form.

We will be holding the following drop-in consultation events where you can view the Pre-Submission Draft, plans, speak to a Planning Officer and make comments:

Consultation Events	
Location/Date	Time
Friday 2nd June 2017 @ The Forum, Barrow	10.00-16.00
Monday 5th June 2017 @ Dalton Drill Hall, Nelson St, Dalton	13.00-18.00
Thursday 15th June 2017 @ Askam Community Centre, Duke St, Askam	15.00-18.00
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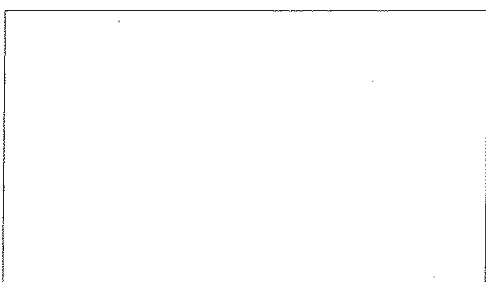
The completed response forms received will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate, together with the Local Plan, Proposals Map and other supporting documents. A public examination will be held in 2017 where an Inspector will review the Plan before it is adopted by the Council in late 2017/early 2018.

The deadline for comments is:

7th July 2017 @ 5pm

Details on where you can view the Pre-Submission Draft and full contact details are on the back page of this leaflet.

Appendix 17 – Submission Consultation Letter



**Planning Policy
Regeneration and Built Environment
Directorate**

TOWN HALL DUKE STREET
BARROW-IN-FURNESS LA14 2LD
TEL: (01229) 876543
DX No: 63917 BARROW-IN-FURNESS

Our Ref: LP10/1
Contact Name: Sally Jackson

Your Ref: 1
Direct Line: 01229 876398

Date: 8th December 2017
Email: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk

Dear Consultee,

Barrow Borough Local Plan – Submission Draft December 2017

Barrow Borough Council is in the process of preparing a new Local Plan, which will guide development in the Borough over the next 15 years. The Local Plan sets out the Council's vision and objectives and includes site allocations for housing, together with the policies to guide development in the Borough.

In May 2017 we consulted on a Pre-Submission Draft Local Plan. In response to this consultation, and in light of evidence updated since this time, the Council has prepared a Submission Draft Local Plan under Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

The Plan includes three major modifications which are open to public consultation. The modifications include the following:

- **Policy EC7 – Energy Uses Opportunity Area**
The boundary of the Energy Uses Opportunity Area is amended to include the decommissioned South Morecambe Bay Gas Terminal and the now closed Roosecote Power Station.
- **Policy GI4 – Green Spaces**
An additional area of open land is designated as a green space at Walker Street/James Street, Askam in Furness.
- **Housing Requirement**
The housing requirement has been amended in light of updated evidence.

The changes were agreed by the Council's Executive Committee on 29th November 2017. The Council now invites comments from consultees on the modifications made to the Local Plan since the Pre-Submission Draft consultation in summer 2017. Please note

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representations relating to unchanged parts of the Plan remain valid and do not need to be submitted again.

The consultation period will run from 8th December 2017 to 5pm on 24th January 2018.

The Draft Local Plan is available to view on our website at www.barrowbc.gov.uk, together with the Proposals Map and other supporting evidence. Paper copies of the Plan and maps can also be viewed at the following locations during normal opening hours:

- Barrow Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow in Furness, Cumbria, LA14 2LD
- Dalton Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness, Cumbria, LA15 8DT
- Libraries in Askam, Barrow, Barrow Island, Dalton, Roose and Walney

Comments can be made by completing a response form, which is available online at www.barrowbc.gov.uk. Please return the completed forms by:

- Email: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk or
- Post: Planning Policy Team, Barrow Borough Council, Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow in Furness, Cumbria LA14 2LD

Please note that comments can only be accepted if they relate to the major modifications to the Plan (referenced MAJ1 to MAJ27) and if they are received on a completed response form. Whilst we will acknowledge receipt of all representations received, it will not be possible for us to respond individually to any comments made.

Following the consultation period, the Plan will be submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government for independent examination. Any completed response forms received will not be treated as confidential and will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate, together with the Local Plan, Proposals Map, other supporting documents and **representations received in the previous round of consultation in August 2017**. You therefore do not need to resubmit consultation responses made at this time.

Should you have any queries regarding the Local Plan, or any aspect of planning policy, please do not hesitate to contact Planning Policy by calling 01229 876398, or by emailing or writing to us using the details above.

Yours faithfully



Helen Houston
Principal Planning Officer (Policy)

Executive Director
Phil Huck

Director of Resources
Susan Roberts

Appendix 18 – Submission Response Form



Representation Form Part A

For office use only		
Consultee Ref:		Date Received
Representation Ref:		

**Barrow Borough Council
Regulation 19 Consultation: Submission Draft Local Plan
Consultation on Proposed Major Modifications – December 2017**

The consultation period on the Major Modifications (to the Plan) will run from **Friday 8th December 2017 to 5pm on Wednesday 24th January 2018**. The consultation documents can be viewed on our website <http://www.barrowbc.gov.uk/residents/planning/planning-policy/>

How to use this form

1. Please note: comments can only be accepted if they relate to the Major Modifications to the Plan, referenced MAJ1 to MAJ27 on the Schedule of Major Modifications.
2. Please complete Part A in full.
3. Then complete Part B for **each modification** that you wish to comment on, e.g. MAJ1.

Personal Details

Person(s) or organisation submitting comments	
Name	
Organisation (if applicable)	
Address	
Tel. No.	
Email	

Agent (if applicable)	
Name	
Organisation	
Address	
Tel. No.	
Email	

In order to be valid you must complete both Part A and Part B of the representation form and return them to the Planning Policy Team via email or post.

- E-mail: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk
- Post to: Planning Policy, Barrow Borough Council, Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria, LA14 2LD

Please note that representations cannot be kept confidential but all responses will be held by the Council in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. All representations received and any information provided will be open to public scrutiny including publication on the Council's website.

Personal information (such as your address or email address) will remain confidential. However, your contact details will be shared with the Programme Officer and Inspector for the purposes of the Public Examination. We will use your contact details to notify you about future stages of the plan process. By submitting this form you are agreeing to the above.

Signature		Date	
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For further information regarding this form or the consultation process, please contact 01229 876341.



Representation Form Part B

For office use only		
Consultee Ref:		Date Received
Representation Ref:		

Barrow Borough Council
Regulation 19 Consultation: Submission Draft Local Plan
Consultation on Proposed Major Modifications – December 2017

Please use a separate Part B form for each modification you wish to comment on. Representations must to be attached to Part A of the representation form. Please note that we cannot accept anonymous responses.

Please print your name on each separate Part B representation.

Name (Print)	
Organisation	
Date	

1. To which of the 27 Proposed Major Modifications does this representation relate?

Please state clearly the reference number of the modification which you are commenting on from the Schedule of Proposed Major Modifications (e.g. MAJ1)	MAJ	
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2. Do you consider the Major Modification is legally compliant?

Legally compliant?	Yes		No	
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3. Do you consider the Major Modification is sound or sound with minor amendments?

Sound?	Yes		No	
Sound with minor amendments?	Yes		No	

If you have selected 'Yes' to either of the above then please skip question 4 and continue to question 5.

4. If you consider the Major Modification is unsound, on which grounds do you consider the document to be unsound?

Please select as many as you consider apply.

Positively Prepared	
Justified	
Effective	
Consistent with national policy	

5. Please provide details of why you consider the Major Modification is not legally compliant or is unsound. Also if you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the modification, please also use this box to set out your comments.

Please be as precise as possible.

Please note: Your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support and justify the representation and the suggested change. There will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations. After this stage, further submissions will be only at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he/she identifies for examination.

6. Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Major Modification legally compliant or sound, having regard to the tests you have identified in question 3 where this relates to soundness.

Please say why you consider the change(s) will make the Major Modification legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

7. If your representation is seeking a change, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

Yes		No	
I wish to participate		I do not wish to participate	

8. If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:
 Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the examination.

Please attach any additional documentation you consider necessary to support your representation.

Submitting your representation

In order to be valid you must complete both Part A and Part B of the representation form and return them to the Planning Policy Team via email or post.

- E-mail: developmentplans@barrowbc.gov.uk
- Post to: Planning Policy, Barrow Borough Council, Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria, LA14 2LD

Please note that representations cannot be kept confidential but all responses will be held by the Council in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. All representations received and any information provided will be open to public scrutiny including publication on the Council’s website.

Personal information (such as your address or email address) will remain confidential. However, your contact details will be shared with the Programme Officer and Inspector for the purposes of the Public Examination. We will use your contact details to notify you about future stages of the plan process. By submitting this form you are agreeing to the above.

If you have any queries regarding the consultation process please do not hesitate to contact the Planning Policy Team on 01229 876341.

How to get involved

We welcome people getting involved in the Local Plan process. People can tell us what they think by email, letter or coming along to one of our consultation events. More information can be found on our website at www.barrowbc.gov.uk/planning

Contact:

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