



Consultation Plan for the Local Plan Review 2020-2040 (Part 3)

This document sets out suggested approach to consultation, engagement and communication for the 8-week period of public engagement for the Draft Local Plan 2020-2040 (part 3). The consultation builds on, and has been informed by the three previous consultations undertaken for the Issues and Options stage, the Part 1 (Policies) and the Part 2 (site options) stages of Local Plan preparation.

It accords with the Teignbridge District Council Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) and with Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

1. Consultation Documents

- Local Plan 2020-2040 (Part 3)
- Sustainability Appraisal (SA)
- Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA)

The approach should employ, but not be limited to the following minimum standards:

2. General Principles

The following general principles will be applied:

- Involvement will be open to all.
- We will seek views of interested and affected parties as early as possible.
- We will choose processes by balancing cost and time constraints, community impact and our level of discretion on the outcome.
- Publications will be clear and concise and wherever possible avoid unnecessary jargon, without understating the complexities of any decision.
- Those who respond will be kept informed of the later stages in the process.
- To minimise costs and risk of Covid will strongly encourage responses to be made electronically and discourage communication by post.

3. Who will we consult?

Statutory organisations including:

- Devon County Council
- Teignbridge District Council business leads, managers
- Town and Parish Councils
- District and County Councillors
- Environment Agency
- Natural England
- Historic England
- South West Water
- NHS Devon
- Devon Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Locality Groups
- Devon and Cornwall Police
- Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue

Infrastructure providers and government bodies as legally required or otherwise appropriate.

Organisations representing local interests

Neighbourhood Planning Groups

Local businesses, voluntary and other organisations

Others who have expressed an interest in the subject matter.

The general public – widest possible cross section – proportionate demographic representation and if necessary targeted marketing.

4. Where will the documents be available?

All information related to the Local Plan Review will be held on the dedicated webpage:

<https://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/localplanreview>

The website will be used to update the public and stakeholders on Local Plan related news and current events and will also act as a signpost with links to relevant, related information, videos and social media channels.

5. How will we consult?

The methods employed for the engagement / consultation will be flexible and responsive to the nature of the document and the community involved, and incorporate a variety of approaches designed to reach the widest possible cross section of the local community as possible. Reasonable steps will be taken to ensure that responses to any engagement / consultation reflect the demographic and social characteristics of the community.

The following methods will be employed as a minimum:

a) Web and social media

- Consultation information and updates will be placed on the TDC website.
- The Local Plan Part 3 document will be published using Storymaps, a web-based interactive package where the user can view the document, interact with site maps and link directly to an embedded online response form.
- The use of consultation software (Survey123) will be used to capture online responses.
- Information will be posted on TDC Corporate Social Media pages regularly before, during and after the consultation period, at key milestones.
- Targeted Facebook / Nextdoor marketing if necessary.
- Email responses will be directed to localplanreview@teignbridge.gov.uk

b) Email / Letters

An email or letter inviting comments will be sent to those individuals and organisation who are listed on the Local Plan consultation database.

c) Newsletters

The TDC Residents Newsletters, which is circulated to 16,000 people weekly will carry Local Plan information and articles. We will also utilise the Leisure Facilities newsletter, Parish Council circulars, TDC staff news, Landlords mailing list, planning agents newsletter, and the members newsletter. Release will be co-ordinated and possibly themed around a different aspect of the Local Plan on each release.

d) Summary document (newsletter style/plain English)

The Local Plan Need to Know Guide created for the Local Plan Part 2 consultation will be modified and adapted for Part 3.

e) Media / Publications

Any media releases should be co-ordinated in liaison with the TDC communications team, which will act as the hub for all media information and enquiries. Media releases will be circulated before and during the consultation period.

f) Displays and document viewing

Paper reference copies of the Local Plan Part 3 document will be available in the District Council main offices, public libraries and to Town and Parish Councils (where possible).

g) Poster distribution

A poster will be produced publicising the consultation dates and an overview of the project including illustrations and provided to:

- Libraries
- District Council offices and leisure facilities
- Community facilities, shops and supermarket noticeboards
- Town and Parish Councils for display in public noticeboards and other key locations.

h) Comments / responses

- Comments should be made on the online (Survey123 integrated with Storymaps)
- Email responses should be made to localplanreview@teignbridge.gov.uk .
- Comments can also be sent in paper form to Spatial Planning and Delivery, Teignbridge District Council, Forde House, Brunel Road, Newton Abbot, TQ12 4XX
- Those people who do not have access to the internet at home have the option of using their local library or the computers in Forde House reception area.
- All comments submitted will be made publicly available, excluding contact details and a Data Protection Act notice will be included in publicity information
- Comments received after the deadline will not be considered.
- Once all comments have been considered a list will be published containing responses to themes raised from the Council and any suggested considerations / changes.

i) Formats available

- Normal and large print paper (on request)
- Electronic (accessible compliant)