

## **South Derbyshire Local Plan Part 1 - Statement of Representations Procedure**

### **The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012**

The South Derbyshire Local Plan Part 1 was submitted to the Secretary of State for Examination in August 2014. The Examination hearing sessions took place in November/December 2014 and December 2015. There was also a joint Derby Housing Market Area (South Derbyshire, Amber Valley and Derby City) hearing session on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2015. The Inspector has written to the Council to confirm the Examination can proceed to the consultation on the Main Modifications.

The Inspector is inviting comments on the Main Modifications to the South Derbyshire District Council Local Plan Part 1 Submission Version of March 2014. Main Modifications are those which the Inspector considers are necessary to make the plan sound and/or legally compliant. Main Modifications are proposed without prejudice to the Inspector's final conclusions on the Local Plan Part 1 which will take account of all representations submitted in response to this consultation. Representations should be made regarding legal compliance and soundness. This is not an opportunity to raise again matters relating to other parts of the submitted Plan that have already been considered by the Inspector during the examination. The Inspector will only consider representations from this consultation which relate the Main Modifications.

The Council has also published a schedule of Additional Modifications which are minor changes to update the Plan, to correct errors and to provide clarification in interpreting policies in the Plan. These do not relate to the soundness/legal compliance of the Plan. These are published alongside the Main Modifications for the sake of clarity but representations are not being sought on them.

The following documents are available for consultation:

- Schedule of Main Modifications
- Sustainability Appraisal Modifications update January 2016

Also available for information:

- Schedule of Additional Modifications

### **Where You Can View the Local Plan Documents**

- The consultation documents will be available for inspection throughout the consultation period on the Council's website, at all libraries in South Derbyshire and also at Burton Upon Trent and Mickleover, Derby Libraries. A copy is also available at the Council Offices: Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote, DE11 0AH (8.45am to 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 9.30am to 5pm Wednesday; and 8.45am to 4.30pm Friday).

The supporting background documents and evidence base documents are also available for inspection on the Council's website.

### **How to Make Representations**

The statutory period in which representations can be made on legal compliance and the 'soundness' of the Main Modifications to the South Derbyshire Local Plan Part 1 Submission Version March 2014 and the Sustainability Appraisal will run from 29<sup>th</sup> January 2016 until 5pm on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

To be valid, all representations must be submitted within this period and representations should relate to matters of legal compliance and/or 'soundness' of the Local Plan. The Council considers the submitted Local Plan with the main modifications to be sound, so representations should specify in what respect(s) the Plan is considered to be unsound and what change(s) would be needed to be made to make it sound.

Representations should be made in writing by email or by post. Questionnaires are available from the website, Council Offices and all libraries in South Derbyshire and Burton upon Trent and Mickleover, Derby libraries.

Any issues raised on the Main Modifications will be considered as written representations by the Inspector. Further hearings will only be scheduled exceptionally. However, respondents should indicate whether they would wish to be heard should the Inspector decide that a further hearing is necessary.

**Representations must be returned by 5:00 pm on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016.**

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### **Further Information**

This can be obtained from the Council's website or by contacting the Planning Policy team by email at [planning.policy@south-derbys.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@south-derbys.gov.uk) or by phone on 01283 228735.