

The plan contains the draft Development Management policies, which are used by the Council when deciding whether to approve planning applications. There are over seventy policies in the document, which deal with issues including; Housing, Employment, Retail, Transport, Design and Conservation, the Environment, Sport and Recreation and Community Facilities. As this is a draft document, it also contains alternative approaches or policy wording, which the Council has considered, but has not selected as its preferred approach.

The Council is seeking your comments not only on the preferred approach but also on the alternative options which have been suggested. There is also the opportunity to suggest reasonable alternative options, which you think the Council has not yet considered and to submit new sites for consideration for development through a site submission form.

The Council is holding a series of public exhibitions where officers from Braintree Council will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. All exhibitions will have copies of the maps for all parts of the District available to view.

- Tuesday 15th January Earls Colne Village Hall 1.30pm – 6.30pm
- Wednesday 16th January Witham Public Hall 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Thursday 17th January Witham Public Hall 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Monday 21st January Braintree Town Hall 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Tuesday 22nd January Braintree Town Hall 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Wednesday 23rd January Great Yeldham Reading Rooms 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Thursday 24th January Coggeshall Village Hall 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Monday 28th January Halstead Queens Hall 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Wednesday 30th January Hatfield Peverel Village Hall 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Thursday 31st January Sible Hedingham Baptist Church 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Wednesday 6th February Kelvedon Institute 2.30pm – 7.30pm
- Thursday 7th February Silver End Congregational Church 2.30pm – 7.30pm

The document and all the studies, which support it are available on the Council's website www.braintree.gov.uk by following the links to planning policy and the LDF.

Hard copies of the plan are available for reference at the Council's offices at Causeway House in Braintree and at Braintree and Witham libraries. The plan will be available on CD at other libraries throughout the District. The CD may be purchased from the Council at a cost of £10 plus postage.

Consultation responses are encouraged directly via the Council's online consultation system, which can be accessed from the website. Alternatively a response form is available to download from the website and in hard copy on request. Please read the accompanying guidance notes before completing the form.

All responses must be received by 5pm on Friday 22nd February and sent to;
planningpolicy@braintree.gov.uk or
Planning Policy, Causeway House, Bocking End, Braintree CM7 9HB

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us on 01376 551414 and ask for planning policy or planningpolicy@braintree.gov.uk

Yours Sincerely



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