

Statement of Representations Procedure and Statement of Fact Harrow Local Plan 2021 – 2041: Proposed Submission Version

Regulation 19: Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

1. Statement of Representation

1.1. This statement has been prepared by the London Borough of Harrow [the Council] pursuant to the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (Regulations 19, 20, 21 and 35), as amended.

2. Title of Document(s)

- Harrow Local Plan 2021 2041: Proposed Submission Version
- Harrow Local Plan 2021 2041: Proposed Submission Version Policies Map (interactive online version) and Atlas of Change
- Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) and Appendices, and Non-technical Summary (NTS), October 2024
- Habitats Regulations Assessment, October 2024 (included within IIA report)

3. Subject Matter

- 3.1. The Local Plan sets out the long-term development and investment strategy for the Borough over a twenty -year period (2021-2041). It forms part of the statutory Development Plan and is one of the council's most important documents. It is used to assess all planning applications across the borough. The Local Plan makes provision for new housing (giving priority to genuinely affordable housing), employment and other development needs including infrastructure to support growth and regeneration in an inclusive and sustainable way.
- 3.2. The documents (listed in section 2, above) are being made available for public inspection to provide any individual, group or business the opportunity to make representations on the 'soundness' and legal compliance of the Harrow Local Plan 2020-2041: Proposed Submission Version, including on the duty to co-operate, for the consideration of an independent Planning Inspector. This Statement of Representations Procedure will also be available for inspection, along with Regulation 19 versions of the Consultation Statement, and Duty to Co-operate Statement.

4. Period for submission of representations

- 4.1. The period for submission of representations begins at 12:00pm (midday) on Monday 4th November 2024 and ends at 11:59am on Tuesday 17th December 2024.
- 5. How and where to view the Harrow Local Plan Proposed Submission version and supporting documents (Statement of Fact)
 - 5.1. The Harrow Local Plan 2021-2041: Proposed submission document and all supporting documents including the Statement of Representations Procedure are available for download and inspection online by visiting www.harrow.gov.uk/newlocalplan or www.talk.harrow.gov.uk/harrowlocalplan
 - 5.2. You can inspect physical copies of the documents (listed in section 2, above) and the Statement of Representations Procedure at the London Borough of Harrow's principal office:
 - London Borough of Harrow, Forward Drive, Harrow, HA3 8FF
 - 5.3. If you wish to inspect the documents at Harrow Council's principal office, please make an appointment by emailing local.plan@harrow.gov.uk or calling 020 8424 1660.
 - 5.4. You can also inspect physical copies of the documents (listed in section 2, above), and the Statement of Representations Procedure at the following locations in the borough:
 - Greenhill Library, Perceval Square, College Road, Harrow, HA1 1GX
 - Kenton Library, 141 Kenton Lane, Harrow, HA3 8UJ
 - Pinner Library, 78 Marsh Road, Pinner, HA5 5NQ
 - Roxeth Library, Northolt Road, South Harrow, HA2 8EQ
 - Stanmore Library, 8 Stanmore Hill, Stanmore, HA7 3BQ
 - Wealdstone Library, 38/40 High Street, Wealdstone, HA3 7AE
 - 5.5. Information about library opening times can be found by visiting www.harrow.gov.uk/libraries/harrow-library-branches
 - 5.6. If you require the consultation documents in an alternative format, please contact local.plan@harrow.gov.uk

5.7. Additionally physical copies of the documents (listed in section 2. above) can be provided to individuals if requested. The printing and postage costs of which will be incurred by those requesting additional copies. If you wish to make a purchase, please contact local.plan@harrow.gov.uk

6. What to consider when making a representation

- 6.1. When making representations on the documents (listed in section 2, above), the following questions should be considered:
 - **Is the Plan legally compliant?** Does the Local Plan comply with the relevant legislation and regulations in the way it has been prepared, and in its content?
 - Does the plan comply with the 'Duty to Cooperate'? Has the council engaged constructively, actively and on an ongoing basis with neighbouring authorities and other prescribed bodies during the preparation of the plan?
 - **Is the plan 'sound'?** Has the plan been 'positively prepared'? Is it robustly justified and evidence-led? Will it be effective in what it sets out to achieve? Is it consistent with regional and national planning policy?

7. How to make a representation

7.1. Representations must be made within the consultation period of 4 November to 17 December 2024. Your comments must be received by 11:59am on Tuesday 17 December 2024. Please note that you must include your full name and contact details. The Council cannot accept anonymous submissions.

7.2. Methods of submission:

- Completing the online survey accessible via harrow.gov.uk/newlocalplan
- Completing the Representation Form which is accessible at harrow.gov.uk/newlocalplan
- Via email: local.plan@harrow.gov.uk
- Via post: New Local Plan, Planning Policy Team, London Borough of Harrow, Forward Drive, Harrow, HA3 8FL
- 7.3. All representations must set out clearly why, and how, it is considered that the Harrow Local Plan: Proposed Submission Document (in whole or in part) is: legally compliant or non-compliant; compliant or non-compliant with the Duty to Cooperate; and/or, sound or unsound.

- 7.4. Please note that all submissions will be required to be made public along with the name of the person making the submission, all other personal information will be kept confidential. All submissions will then be submitted to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, and the Planning Inspectorate, alongside the Harrow Local Plan: Proposed Submission Document and all other supporting documents after this period of representation.
- 7.5. For further information regarding how we store and process your data, please visit the New Local Plan webpages at harrow.gov.uk/newlocalplan. Please also see the Harrow Council Privacy Notice: https://www.harrow.gov.uk/privacy

8. Talk to us

- 8.1. We will be hosting two in person events*:
 - Thursday 21st November 2024, 4pm-7.30pm: Harrow Leisure Centre, Masefield Suite, Christchurch Avenue, Harrow, HA3 5BD
 - Saturday 23rd November 2024, 10am-1:30pm: Harrow Leisure Centre, Masefield Suite, Christchurch Avenue, Harrow, HA3 5BD

9. Notification of the next stages of the Harrow Local Plan 2021-2041

- 9.1. Once the Regulation 19 representation period has closed, updates regarding the status of the Local Plan will be published on the Council's New Local Plan webpages. Any person who makes a submission during the Regulation 19 representation period will be provided with updates on the progress of the Local Plan 2021-2041, including when we submit our Local Plan for independent examination, when the Planning Inspector's recommendations are published and when the Local Plan is adopted. If you do not wish to receive these updates, please contact: local.plan@harrow.gov.uk
- 9.2. An independent Planning Inspector will then be appointed by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities, and Local Government to undertake an independent examination into whether the Local Plan is legally compliant, meets the Duty to Cooperate, and passes the tests of soundness. The examination will include hearing sessions held by the Planning Inspector in public at which those who have made a valid representation may, at the discretion of the Planning Inspector, have the right to speak. If you wish to speak, please make this clear in your representation.

^{*}These are public events and you do not need to register to attend.

10. Contact the Planning Policy Team

10.1. If you would like any further information on the Harrow Local Plan 2021-2041: Proposed Submission Document, or any of the supporting documents, please contact us via:

• Telephone: 020 8424 1660

• Email: <u>local.plan@harrow.gov.uk</u>

 Post: New Local Plan, Planning Policy Team, London Borough of Harrow, Forward Drive, Harrow, HA3 8FL