

Mid Sussex District Council

Statement of Representations Procedure and Availability of Documents

Site Allocations Development Plan Document: Proposed Main Modifications Consultation

The Submission Draft Mid Sussex Site Allocations DPD (Site Allocations DPD) supports the strategic framework for development in Mid Sussex up to 2031, as set out in the Mid Sussex District Plan. It allocates employment and housing sites, as well as including five additional strategic policies.

The independent examination of the Site Allocations DPD is currently being carried out by a planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State; Mr Mike Fox BA(Hons) DIPTP MRTPI (the Inspector). The purpose of the examination is to determine whether the Site Allocations DPD is sound and has complied with the necessary legal requirements. The Inspector held examination hearings in June 2021 requesting a number of Action Points from Participants and the Council to clarify matters that arose from the discussions. These were submitted to the Inspector and made available for comment.

Why is the Council carrying out this consultation?

Following the completion of the examination hearings the Inspector has advised that various Main Modifications (MMs) to the Site Allocations DPD are necessary to make the Plan sound.

The proposed MMs are set out in the Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications. The MMs identify specific changes to the wording of the Site Allocations DPD submitted in December 2020. Amendments have also been made to relevant Policies Maps, as required by the MMs; these are listed below.

What can I make comments on?

At the Inspector's request, the Council is inviting comments (also known as representations) on the proposed MMs to the Site Allocations DPD. The information below sets out how and by when to make such representation, as well as where to find the relevant documentation.

Please note, representations are only to be made on the proposed MMs. In addition, this consultation is not an opportunity to raise other matters which either were, or could have been included in earlier representations, or at the examination hearings. There is also no need to repeat representations that have been submitted previously, which have already been provided to the Inspector.

The following documents are the focus of the MMs consultation:

- Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications
- Site Allocations DPD – Main Modifications Version
- Sustainability Appraisal Main Modifications Addendum
- Habitats Regulations Assessment Main Modifications Addendum
- MM1 Proposed change to the Policies Map – Ardingly
- MM2 Proposed change to the Policies Map – East Grinstead

The documents can be viewed on the Council's website at:
www.midsussex.gov.uk/SitesDPD.

The documents will also be provided to the locations specified at the end of this notice. Due to the ongoing coronavirus situation, please check with the individual location for availability of the documents and current opening hours.

The availability of documents is in accordance with The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020.

How and when can I make comments?

Representations should be received between **Monday 29th November 2021** and **23:59 on Monday 24th January 2022** and can be made:

- Online via: www.midsussex.gov.uk/SitesDPD
- By e-mail to: policyconsultation@midsussex.gov.uk
- By post to: Planning Policy, Mid Sussex District Council, Oaklands, Oaklands Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 1SS

Your representations must address the proposed MMs and should focus upon legal compliance and soundness.

If you wish to make multiple comments relating to different proposed MMs, you will need to submit a Representation Form for each comment. Please ensure the form clearly states which proposed MM you are commenting on (using the 'MMx' reference within the first column of the Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications). If your comments also relate to supporting documents or the evidence base this should be made clear.

We cannot take account of responses which are given to us confidentially as the public have the right to examine representations made. Representations received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Guidance notes for making representations are available on the Council's website:
www.midsussex.gov.uk/SitesDPD.

Notification of further stages

Representations may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified address of any of the following:

- The publication of the Inspector's report following the examination (Final Report).
- The adoption of the Site Allocations DPD.

Availability of Documents

Council's website: www.midsussex.gov.uk/SitesDPD

Council Offices

Oaklands, Oaklands Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH16 1SS (01444 458166)

Libraries in Mid Sussex

Burgess Hill Library, 15-19 The Martlets, Burgess Hill, RH15 9NN (01444 255452)

East Grinstead Library, 32-40 West Street, East Grinstead, RH19 4SR (01342 332900)

Hassocks Library, 9 Ewart Close, Hassocks, BN6 8FJ (01273 842779)

Haywards Heath Library, 34 Boltro Road, Haywards Heath, RH16 1BN (01444 255444)

Hurstpierpoint Library, Trinity Road, Hurstpierpoint, BN6 9UY (01273 832609)

Help Points in Mid Sussex

Burgess Hill Help Point, Burgess Hill Town Council Offices, 96 Church Walk, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 9AS (01444 247726)

East Grinstead Help Point, Public Library, 32-40 West Street, East Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 4SR (01342 300780)

Haywards Heath Help Point, Oaklands, Oaklands Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH16 1SS (01444 458166)

Should you have any queries relating to the Site Allocations DPD, you can contact the Planning Policy team by e-mailing: policyconsultation@midsussex.gov.uk.