



## SCARBOROUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Your Ref:  
Our Ref: SJW/LocalPlan

28 August 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

### Scarborough Borough Local Plan Issues and Options August 2020

I would like to draw your attention to the commencement of the review of the Scarborough Borough Local Plan. Although the current Local Plan was adopted in July 2017, the Government requires Plans to be updated regularly and this is the first stage of consultation in the review process. It should be noted that this is intended to be a partial review of the current Local Plan to respond to changes in local and national policy and reflect any evolving local ambitions.

As the first stage of reviewing the Local Plan, this Issues and Options consultation sets the scene for the review and sets out what are considered to be the main issues to be addressed. It focuses on a number of topic areas and welcomes comments on these but also seeks comments on any other issues that are of interest to Town and Parish Councils.

The consultation seeks views on three documents:

- The Issues and Options document;
- The Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report; and
- The Housing Assessment Methodology.

In addition to the above documents, the Council is also inviting submissions of sites to be considered for allocation for a wide range of uses including but not limited to housing, employment, leisure, retail and tree planting. A Call for Sites form has been prepared and is available at the link below. This must be completed in order for sites to be considered. I previously wrote to you about sites for Tree Planting and/or habitat creation. If you did not respond previously or have additional sites then please do so.

The consultation period commences on 28 August 2020 and runs through to 6 November 2020 (5pm). Information on how to access all of the consultation documentation can be found via the Council's consultation portal at



<http://scarborough-consult.objective.co.uk/kse>. The consultation portal can be used to submit comments.

Under normal circumstances, the Council would undertake a small number of public exhibitions across the Borough at this stage, however, due to the ongoing restrictions associated with the Covid-19 Pandemic we are currently unable to do this. As such, we are keen to ensure we are as accessible as possible to answer any questions or concerns consultees may have. If local residents need to speak to us they can do so using the contact details at the top of this letter. We will endeavour to respond to any specific queries either by phone call, email or video call if this is possible. We hope to be able to resume public exhibitions during later consultation stages of the Local Plan review. If the Parish/Town Council would like to speak to us please let us know. We have previously attended Parish Council meetings when requested but in lieu of the ability to do this we would be happy to organise a Zoom or MS Teams virtual meeting either with just yourselves or jointly with other Town and Parish Councils if that is considered appropriate.

We would also appreciate your assistance in publicising this consultation exercise. A poster has been attached to the email sent to you (please circulate as appropriate) and we will be sending you an A3 Colour Poster to put on your usual display board.

As previously mentioned, we would encourage you to use the online consultation portal to respond to this consultation, however, comments can also be submitted by emailing [localplan@scarborough.gov.uk](mailto:localplan@scarborough.gov.uk) or writing to us at the address at the top of this letter. Unfortunately copies of the documentation will not be available to view at Council offices and libraries on this occasion due to current restrictions. Paper copies can be provided on request (although a fee may be applicable to cover costs of printing and postage).

You are encouraged to read our Forward Planning Privacy Notice which can be found at: <https://scarborough.gov.uk/home/open-data-and-foi/gdpr>. Furthermore you should note that by responding your name and comments will be public facing on the Consultation Portal.

If you have any further questions in relation to the consultation please contact a member of the Planning Policy & Conservation Team on 01723 232480.

Yours faithfully



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