

South Warwickshire Local Plan – Notice of the Commencement of the preparation of a Development Plan Document Scoping and Call for Sites Consultation - May 2021



The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. Notification under Regulation 18

Title: South Warwickshire Local Plan – Scoping and Call for Sites Public Consultation May 10 – June 21 2021

Area Covered: The South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP) covers the administrative areas of Stratford-on-Avon District Council and Warwick District Council.

Subject Matter: Warwick District and Stratford-on-Avon District Councils have chosen to work together to produce a new Local Plan. The South Warwickshire Local Plan will be a Development Plan Document that will set out the planning policies that the Councils will use to assess applications for development, as well as identifying sites to meet our future development needs, including those in relation to housing, jobs, infrastructure and open space. The Plan will also address the important issues of climate change, wellbeing, connectivity and biodiversity.

Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick District Councils have prepared a **Scoping and Call for Sites Consultation** which is the first stage in the preparation of this new Local Plan. The consultation asks a series of questions about what issues the new Plan should cover, and seeks your views on how we should tackle these issues. In particular, it seeks views on where in South Warwickshire new development should be located and how best we should accommodate growth.

At the same time, we are also running a 'Call for Sites' exercise inviting suggestions for potential sites to be allocated for a variety of land uses.

In accordance with the relevant regulations this document is now subject to a period of public consultation for six weeks, running from **Monday, 10 May to 5pm on Monday, 21 June 2021**.

Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick District Councils are inviting representations on this consultation document and its supporting evidence.

Inspection: The best way to view the consultation document and associated evidence is online at www.southwarwickshire.org.uk/swlp. This webpage also includes a summary leaflet and a short video explaining in greater detail what the consultation is about.

Subject to changing restrictions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, it is also available to view at:

- Stratford-on-Avon District Council offices (Elizabeth House, Church Street, Stratford-upon-Avon, CV37 6HX)
- Warwick District Council offices (Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Royal Leamington Spa, CV2 5HZ)
- Main public libraries across Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick Districts. Please check the COVID-19 restrictions at your local library before visiting.

Paper copies of the document can also be purchased from the District Councils.

Whilst it is not currently possible to hold face-to-face public consultation events due to the pandemic, the District Councils will be hosting a number of live online question and answer sessions throughout the consultation period to enable residents to ask any questions. Visit

www.southwarwickshire.org.uk/swlp to find out more and join one of the sessions.

How to Comment

Participants are encouraged to respond online through our consultation system. Information on how to comment is included within the consultation document itself and on the website at

www.southwarwickshire.org.uk/swlp. Comments can be made online or via a comments form, which can be downloaded and emailed or posted to us (postal addresses above). Email responses should be sent to either swlp@stratford-dc.gov.uk or swlp@warwickdc.gov.uk.

The Call for Sites form (Appendix 3) can be found separately at

www.southwarwickshire.org.uk/swlp. Once downloaded and completed the form can be submitted via email or post. More information on the Call for Sites is available in Section 3.7 of the consultation document.

All comments received during the consultation will be made available for public inspection.

Representations must be received by 5pm on Monday 21 June 2021.

Responses to the consultation and call for sites need only to be submitted to ONE Council. All responses will be shared between Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick District Councils for the lawful reason of undertaking this task. Further information on how we handle your data is available in our privacy statement www.stratford.gov.uk/planning-building/privacy-notice.cfm

Completed comments forms and representations on the document must be received **no later than 21st June 2021 5pm**. All comments received by the deadline will be considered and will go on to inform the plan preparation process.

For further information please contact the Planning Policy Team at either

swlp@stratford-dc.gov.uk or swlp@warwickdc.gov.uk.

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