



Just like other areas in the country, we're working on a new Local Plan for the district.

Having one is really important because it sets the direction for our future development of sites but also it gives us more power to stop inappropriate development.

We know we need to build more homes so that our children and grandchildren can find homes to suit them. We need to deliver 845 homes each year between now and 2033 in order to comply with national guidelines and to meet locally-driven demand in the Braintree district.

This will mean that with the homes that already have planning permission we're looking to allocate land for around 10,000 homes as well as the infrastructure, employment and community facilities to support them.

From June 27th until August 19th we want your views so please get involved and tell us what you think. We will then make amendments to the draft before it goes out to public consultation again. It will then be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate and subject to an independent public examination.

Thank you for taking the time to read this document.



WHAT IS A LOCAL PLAN?

A Local Plan is the basis for the future development of homes, employment and business sites while protecting the countryside. Planning applications, whatever their size and proposed use, are assessed for approval against the policies contained in the Local Plan.

INVESTING IN OUR DISTRICT

We're preparing for this growth by making sure our district's infrastructure can serve our existing and new communities.

We're working with partners to invest in our health facilities, our most congested roads, town centres and our businesses.

WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE EVIDENCE BASE BEHIND THE DRAFT LOCAL PLAN?

An evidence base of documents can be viewed on our website. Visit www.braintree.gov.uk/newlp

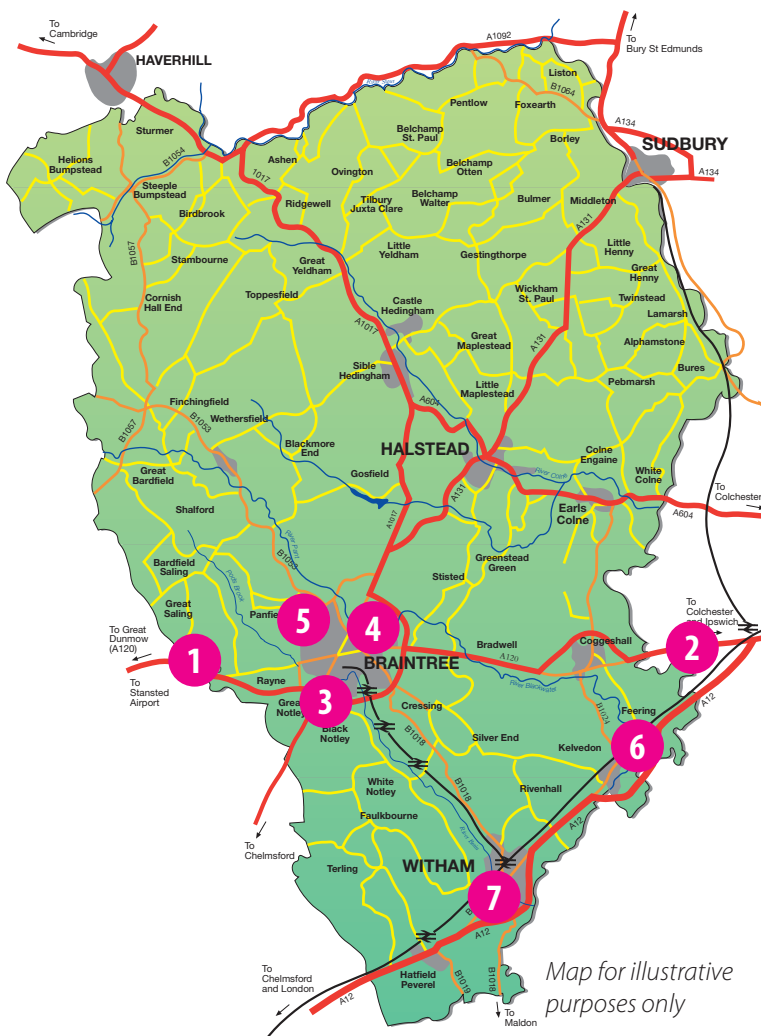
WHY THE NEED FOR NEW HOMES?

- Our district's population is increasing
- People are living longer
- Home ownership is out of reach for too many
- There are more people moving to the district than leaving
- More people are living on their own or in smaller households

DID YOU KNOW?

You can watch all our Local Plan, Planning, Cabinet and Full Council meetings online.

To view the webcast visit www.braintree.gov.uk/webcast



Map for illustrative purposes only

THE BIGGEST SITES WE PROPOSE TO ALLOCATE ARE:

- 1 West of Braintree New Garden Community (2,500 homes within the Local Plan period. Potential to rise after 2033)
- 2 Marks Tey New Garden Community (1,500 homes within the Local Plan period. Potential to rise after 2033)
- 3 East of Great Notley in Black Notley Parish (2,000 homes)
- 4 Land east of Broad Road, Braintree (1,000 homes)
- 5 Former Towerlands Park site, Braintree (600 homes)
- 6 Land at Feering (1,000 homes)
- 7 Wood End Farm, Witham (450 homes)

There are around 80 other smaller sites (new developments under 450 homes) which you can view on www.braintree.gov.uk/newlp

YOU CAN INFLUENCE THE LOCAL PLAN

We are holding drop-in sessions from 2.30pm - 7.30pm at these venues where you can see the plans and discuss them with us:

27th June - Sible Hedingham
(Baptist Church, CO9 3PX)

28th June - Earls Colne
(Village Hall, CO6 2RN)

29th & 30th June - Witham
(Witham Public Hall, CM8 2DY)

4th July - Halstead
(Queens Hall, CO9 2BY)

6th July - Kelvedon
(Kelvedon Institute, CO5 9AA)

7th July - Gt Saling
(The Salings Millennium Hall, CM7 5DW)

12th July - Silver End
(Silver End Village Hall, CM8 3RQ)

13th & 14th July - Braintree
(Town Hall, CM7 3YG)

18th July - Coggeshall
(St Peters Church, CO6 1UD)

21st July - Hatfield Peverel
(Scout Hall, CM3 2LB)

9th July 10am -2pm - Marks Tey
(Village Hall, CO6 1EJ)

TAKE A LOOK AT THE PLANS ONLINE:

www.braintree.gov.uk/newlp

Comment on the draft local plan: www.braintree.gov.uk/consultlp
email localplan@braintree.gov.uk or call 01376 552525

If you don't have access to the internet you can view the plans at our reception:

Braintree District Council, Causeway House,
Bocking End, Braintree, Essex, CM7 9HB

ANTICIPATED TIMETABLE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF THE NEW LOCAL PLAN

JUNE 27TH - AUGUST 19TH 2016

8 week public consultation period on the draft Local Plan

SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 2016

Consideration of public consultation responses to the draft Local Plan and revisions to the Plan as appropriate

NOVEMBER 2016

Councillors will consider the latest draft

WINTER 2016

Second public consultation

SPRING 2017

Submission of Local Plan to the Planning Inspectorate for consideration

SUMMER/AUTUMN 2017

(subject to Inspectorate timetable)

- Independent public examination held on the Local Plan by the Planning Inspector

EARLY 2018

Adoption of the Local Plan by the Council