



Local Development Scheme

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1.0 Introduction

1.1 This Local Development Scheme (LDS) sets out Hart District Council's timetable for preparing the Development Plan Documents (DPDs) that will comprise the Local Plan. It takes effect from 27 May 2019 and supersedes the LDS 8th Revision published in February 2018.

1.2 The new Hart Local Plan will comprise three Development Plan Documents:

- Local Plan Strategy and Sites DPD
- Traveller Sites DPD
- Development Management DPD

1.3 Together these DPDs will supersede the saved policies in the Hart District Local Plan (Replacement) 1996-2006, and the First Alterations to that Plan. Each DPD will set out the saved policies that it supersedes.

1.4 The main stages of plan preparation are set out below at Table 1 with a brief explanation. Section 2 of this LDS sets out the anticipated timetables for the three DPDs with reference to these stages.

1.5 In addition to the DPDs in the Hart Local Plan, the development plan for Hart includes a number of 'made' (adopted) Neighbourhood Plans. Up to date information on 'made' and emerging Neighbourhood Plans can be found at <https://www.hart.gov.uk/neighbourhood-planning>.

Table 1: Stages referred to in the DPD timetables

Stage	Description
Consulting on scope of the Sustainability Appraisal (SA)	The SA Scoping Report sets out the sustainability objectives used to appraise the effects of the DPD.
Regulation 18 consultation stage	Referred to in the regulations ¹ as ‘Preparation of a Local Plan’ this is an early consultation stage, often on a draft version of the DPD accompanied by an Interim Sustainability Appraisal.
Regulation 19 Publication of a Local Plan	The Council publishes the Plan it intends to submit, along with a Sustainability Appraisal Report and other evidence as required. There follows a period of at least 6 weeks for comments into legal compliance and soundness.
Regulation 22 Submission	The Council submits the Local Plan to the Secretary of State with the representations received.
Examination	Planning Inspector tests the plan for legal compliance and soundness. The examination will usually include hearing sessions chaired by the Planning Inspector. The timings of these are dependent upon the Inspector’s availability.
Adoption	Subject to the outcome of the examination the Council formally adopts the plan. The timing of adoption following the examination hearings will be dependent on whether there is a need to consult on Modifications to the DPD and how soon the Inspector submits the final report.

¹ The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

2.0 Timelines for Development Plan Documents

Local Plan Strategy and Sites DPD	
Sets out the overall development strategy, key policies and sites or broad locations for delivering housing, economic growth, infrastructure, environmental protection. It relates to the whole district.	
Stage	Date
Consulting on scope of the Sustainability Appraisal	April 2014
Regulation 18 Consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation on Housing Development Options Paper, and Sustainability Appraisal took place 14th August to 10th October 2014 • Consultation on a Refined Housing Options Paper and Draft Vision and Strategic Priorities took place 4th February to 18th March 2016 • Consultation on a Draft Local Plan and Interim Sustainability Appraisal 26th April – 8th June 2017
Regulation 19 Publication of a Local Plan	February – March 2018
Regulation 22 Submission	June 2018
Examination hearings	November and December 2018
Adoption	October/November 2019 dependent upon receipt of Inspector's Report following a consultation on Proposed Modification in the summer of 2019

Traveller DPD

To identify and safeguard or allocate sites to meet the accommodation needs of the gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople. It will relate to the whole district.

Stage	Date
Consulting on scope of the Sustainability Appraisal	November 2019
Regulation 18 Consultation	June 2020
Regulation 19 Publication of a Local Plan	January 2021
Regulation 22 Submission	June 2021
Examination hearings	October 2021
Adoption	January 2022

Development Management DPD

Policies and proposals that assist the development management process, either by adding detail to the Strategy and Sites DPD, or covering issues not covered in that document. It will relate to the whole district.

Stage	Date
Consulting on scope of the Sustainability Appraisal	November 2020
Regulation 18 Consultation	June 2021
Regulation 19 Publication of a Local Plan	June 2022
Regulation 22 Submission	November 2022
Examination hearings	February 2023
Adoption	July 2023