

Wokingham Borough Council

Consultation: Local Plan Update 2023-2040: Proposed Submission Plan

Statement of Representation Procedure and notification of public consultation (incorporating the Statement of Fact)

1. Statement of Representation

This statement has been prepared by Wokingham Borough Council, pursuant to Regulations 19, 20 and 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, as amended.

2. Title of Document

Wokingham Borough Local Plan Update 2023-2040: Proposed Submission Plan
(September 2024)

3. Subject matter and area covered

The Proposed Submission Plan version of the Local Plan Update sets out how development will be managed for Wokingham Borough looking at the period 2023 to 2040.

The plan makes provision for new housing (including affordable housing), employment and other development needs including infrastructure to support growth and regeneration in an inclusive and sustainable way.

4. Period for the submission of representations

The Proposed Submission Plan is being made available for representations from **Monday 30 September to 5pm on Wednesday 13 November 2024.**

5. How and where to view the documents (Statement of fact)

During the consultation period, the Proposed Submission Plan and all supporting documents, including the Statement of Representations Procedure can be downloaded and inspected online by visiting:

<https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/planning-policy/emerging-local-plan-update>

Paper copies of the Proposed Submission Plan, Policies Map, sustainability appraisal, Habitat Regulations Assessment and other supporting documents (including the Statement of Representations Procedure) are also available at:

- Wokingham Borough Council, Shute End, Wokingham, RG40 1BN
- Wokingham Library, Carnival Hub, Wellington Road, RG40 2AF

Information on library opening times can be found at:

<https://directory.wokingham.gov.uk/kb5/wokingham/directory/results.page?qt=library+waste&sorttype=relevance>

If you require the plan or supporting documents in an alternative format, please contact LPU@wokingham.gov.uk

The evidence that supports the Proposed Submission Plan can be viewed and accessed on the council's website:

<https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/planning-policy/evidence-studies>

6. Making representations

Any representations will be required to comment on whether you consider the Proposed Submission Plan to comply with legal requirements, the duty to cooperate, and whether it is sound.

Representations should be received by Wokingham Borough Council no later than **5pm on Wednesday 13 November 2024** or they will not be considered.

All representations received within the consultation period will be submitted to the Secretary of State, who will appoint an Inspector to carry out an independent examination of the plan and its evidence base.

Representations should be provided in writing. This can be done by completing and submitting the standard representation form using the following methods:

Online: using the council's survey which can be found at

<https://engage.wokingham.gov.uk/en-GB/projects/right-homes-right-places-local-plan>

Email: LPU@wokingham.gov.uk

Post: Local Plan Update, Planning Policy, Wokingham Borough Council, Shute End, Wokingham, RG40 1BN.

Please note that you must include your full name and contact details. Anonymous representations cannot be accepted.

Please note that all submissions will be required to be made public along with the name of the person making the submission. All other personal information will be kept confidential.

Please take a look at Wokingham Borough Council's privacy notice for further details, which can be viewed at:

<https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/council-and-meetings/information-and-data-protection/privacy-statement>

7. Notification of the next stages of the Wokingham Borough Local Plan Update

When making your representation you will also have the option to request to be notified of the future stages of the local plan process:

- submission for independent Examination,
- publication of the Inspector's recommendations following independent Examination, and
- adoption.

8. Contact the Planning Policy Team

If you would like any further information, please contact the council's Planning Policy Team:

- Telephone: 0118 974 6000
- E-mail: LPU@wokingham.gov.uk
- Post: Planning Policy, Wokingham Borough Council, Shute End, Wokingham, RG40 1BN.