

Local Plan Timeline – Document Extracts (February 2016)

This document contains pages that have been extracted from information published by UDC and available on its website as of 19 February 2016. They show:

- UDC's 2015 Q4 statement to the public that there would be 3 public consultations;
- The previous timeline that included the second public consultation on sites;
- The new timeline, as approved by the UDC Cabinet on 16 February 2016 that shows the sites public consultation removed;

The following pages are:

2. Document: Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation Document, 22 October - 4 December 2015; Document Page 3 (PDF page 4)
 - Commitment to 3 public consultations
3. Document: Uttlesford District Council Local Development Scheme February 2015; Document Page 20 (PDF page 21)
 - Old timetable with public consultation on development sites
4. Document: Uttlesford District Council Local Development Scheme February 2016; Document Page 19 (PDF page 20)
 - New timetable approved by UDC Cabinet without public consultation on development sites

The pages have not been changed, but to aid clarity:

- **Yellow highlighting has been added by Residents for Uttlesford.**
- **Red text has been added by Residents for Uttlesford.**

Introduction 1

Notes in red and highlights by R4U:

UDC made it clear that the first consultation was for strategy and vision and that 2 other consultations would follow.

Uttlesford District Council has started work on a new Local Plan for the District, to guide development to 2033.

The Local Plan is being prepared through the Planning Policy Working Group, a cross-party advisory panel of District Councillors. The meetings of the Working Group are held in public. Reports, minutes, and audio recordings of the Working Group meetings may be accessed at www.uttlesford.gov.uk/ppwg. An introduction to the process so far is contained in the Local Plan Update, available at www.uttlesford.gov.uk/lpupdate.

This document sets out the consultation questions comprising the first of three public consultations on the emerging Local Plan, before it is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate for Examination in Public. It is being carried out in accordance with Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

A summary of the issues raised through the consultation will be considered by the Planning Policy Working Group in due course following the consultation. The Council will then prepare a response to all the issues raised, and undertake further work as necessary. Any standard responses will be considered in relation to the issues raised in the response, and if similar to other responses then grouped by issue.

The questions set out below are grouped into three sections as follows:

Section 2: General Consultation Questions includes questions on the vision and development strategy, settlement hierarchy, cross-boundary strategy planning, infrastructure planning, employment, housing tenure mix and affordability, leisure, recreation, and open space, and the natural and historic environment.

Section 3: Areas of Search includes questions on a range of locations which the Council is proposing to assess before reaching a view about the suitability of potential areas for development, as well as on the vision and development strategy. It also includes a question about the sustainability appraisal of the areas of search.

Section 4: Scenarios includes questions on the overall level of development, and potential scenarios which illustrate different strategies for delivering development. It also includes a question about the sustainability appraisal of the scenarios.

Sustainability Appraisal of the Areas of Search and Scenarios (Sections 3 and 4) has been carried out and consultees may wish to refer to the Non-Technical Summary when preparing their consultation response. Section and page references are provided within the text below. The Sustainability Appraisal and Non-Technical Summary are on the Council's website at www.uttlesford.gov.uk/lpconsult.

Details of how to respond are contained in Section 6.

APPENDIX 2 – Production Milestones for the Local Plan

Doc Name	Subject	Doc Type	Conformity	Production Milestones					Review	
				Public Participation in Plan Preparation		Regulation 19 Consultation – Local Plan Pre-submission	Sub-mission to Sec of State	Hearing Sessions		Adoption
				Evidence Gathering and Stakeholder Involvement	Regulation 18 Public Consultation					
Uttlesford Local Plan	Sets out the Vision for development of Uttlesford District together with the key policies to achieve that vision. Includes a key diagram to illustrate the spatial strategy. Development Management Policies – criteria based policies against which planning applications will be considered. Site Allocations – policies relating to specific sites where development is proposed. Gypsy and Traveller site allocations – policies relating to specific sites where development is proposed.	Local Plan	General conformity with the National Planning Policy Framework and National Planning Policy for Traveller Sites.	<p>Jan 2015 (review existing evidence base and update where necessary)</p> <p>April – June 2015 Call for Sites</p> <p>Sept – November 2015 consultation on results of call for sites and different distribution strategies (1)</p>	<p>Feb - March 2016 (2)</p>	<p>May – June 2016 (3)</p>	<p>July – Aug 2016</p>	<p>Dec 2016</p>	<p>March 2017</p>	AMR

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(1): This Consultation happened in Dec 2015 and was about overall strategy (e.g. building primarily in existing or brand-new settlements). In it the site consultation was promised as the next one.

(2): This is the consultation on the actual sites/locations for building. The UDC Cabinet has now removed this.

(3): This is the final consultation before submission. In effect a 'proof reading'/'have we got everything' consultation. The date has slipped 6 months.

UDC forgot to update the date on this, but this document was actually approved by the UDC Cabinet on 16/02/2016

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Notes in red and highlights by R4U:
 (1): This Consultation has now been retrospectively reclassified as “Regulation 18” even though it wasn't at the time
 (2): Consultation on sites has now been removed and replaced with a non-transparent 'behind closed doors' process.
 (3): This is the final consultation before submission. In effect a 'proof reading'/'have we got everything' consultation. The date has slipped 6 months.