In May 2018, Lancaster City Council submitted the Lancaster District Local Plan 2011-2031 to the Government. An Inspector, Richard McCoy, has been appointed to independently examine the ‘soundness’ and legal compliance of the submitted plan. The Local Plan documents and evidence were published for consultation in February 2018.

Lancaster City Council has published additional evidence and information to support the submitted Local Plan. A six week consultation will now take place until 5pm Friday 15 February 2019.

Following your consideration of the additional evidence and information, you are invited to make representations on the soundness of the plan, its legal compliance and conformity with duty to cooperate requirements.

The period for making representations closes at 5pm on Friday 15 February 2019.

If you would like to submit comments on whether the Local Plan is ‘sound’, legally compliant and in conformity with duty to co-operate requirements in light of the additional evidence and information, please view the Development Plan Documents, the additional documents, the online representation form and guidance notes on the council’s website: www.lancaster.gov.uk/local-plan-consultation

The documents are all available for inspection at the Council Offices below during normal opening hours.

- Lancaster Town Hall: Planning and Housing Policy Team, Dalton Square, Lancaster, LA1 1PJ
- Morecambe Town: Town Hall, Marine Road East, Morecambe, LA4 5AF

All documents are also available to view via PCs in the libraries in Lancaster, Morecambe, Heysham, Carnforth, and Halton during normal opening hours.

Please note: It is not necessary to re-submit representations made at the formal publication stage (February-May 2018). All representations made at the formal publication have already been sent to the Inspector.

Following the end of this additional consultation valid representations will be forwarded to the Planning Inspector. The Inspector can then take account of comments received on the soundness of the submitted Local Plan documents. The local hearing sessions for the examination have a provisional start date of the week commencing 1 April 2019. More information on the Examination can be found on the council website: http://www.lancaster.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/examination-stage

Representations can be made by:

- Using our online representation form on our webpage: www.lancaster.gov.uk/local-plan-consultation
- Filling out and returning a representation form, available at our offices or at the locations above or on request

Representations must be received by 5pm on Friday 15 February 2019.

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