

A Local Plan for

Lancaster District

2020 – 2031

Plan period 2011 - 2031



**Statement of Representation Procedure
Regulation 19 Consultation Climate Emergency
Review of the Local Plan [January 2022]**

This statement has been prepared in accordance with both The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 – Regulations 19, 20 and 35.

THIS IS A NOTIFICATION OF THE PUBLICATION OF THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY REVIEW OF THE LOCAL PLAN: STRATEGIC POLICIES & LAND ALLOCATION DPD AND THE DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT DPD WHICH FORM PART OF THE LANCASTER DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN

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1.0 Title of the Proposed Development Plan Documents (DPD)

- 1.1 Lancaster City Council has prepared a Climate Emergency partial review of its Strategic Policies & Land Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD) and the Development Management DPD. These represent the two key elements of the new Local Plan for Lancaster District, which it proposes to submit to the Secretary of State under Regulation 22 of the Town and County Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 1.2 The Publication versions of the review of the Strategic Policies & Land Allocations DPD and the Development Management DPD are being made available for a **6 week** period from **Monday 31 January 2022 to 12noon Monday 14 March 2022** prior to being submitted to the Secretary of State. Alongside these Publication documents, the Sustainability Appraisal (SA) Report, Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA), Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA), Health Impact Assessment (rHIA) and a wide range of other supporting evidence will also be made available to inform any representations on the Published DPDs.

2.0 Proposed Subject Matter and Area Covered

- 2.1 The council is reviewing the Strategic Policies & Land Allocations DPD, which was adopted in July 2020. This DPD sets out the strategic basis for plan-making within Lancaster District up to 2031, it sets out the scale of growth required and how that growth will be delivered. The DPD sets out a range of allocations which address the delivery of new development and the protection of land for its environmental, economic or social value. The DPD is applicable to all areas of the district, however is supplemented in specific areas by more bespoke Development Plan Documents, this includes the Arnside & Silverdale AONB DPD and the Morecambe Area Action Plan DPD.
- 2.2 The council is also reviewing the Development Management DPD, which was originally adopted in December 2014, reviewed and adopted in July 2020.

The council is taking this opportunity to review elements of the original DPDs to considered improved climate change policies.

- 2.3 Upon adoption, the Strategic Policies & Land Allocations DPD and the Development Management DPD will form the Strategic Plan for Lancaster District, replacing any remaining policy contained within the existing Lancaster District Local Plan, which was formally adopted by the council in July 2020.

3.0 Inspection of Documents

- 3.1 From Monday 31 January 2022 the proposed submission documents will be available to view and download from <https://www.lancaster.gov.uk/local-plan-review>

- 3.2 The documents are all available for inspection at the council office, during normal opening hours:

- Morecambe Town: Town Hall, Marine Road East, Morecambe, LA4 5AF
- Local libraries:
 - Lancaster Library, Market Square, Lancaster, Lancashire, LA1 1HY
 - Morecambe Library, Central Drive, Morecambe, Lancashire, LA4 5DL
 - Heysham Library, 396 Heysham Road, Heysham, Morecambe, LA3 2BJ
 - Carnforth Library, Lancaster Road, Carnforth, Lancashire, LA5 9DZ
 - Halton Library, Penny Stone Road, Halton, Lancashire, LA2 6QE
 - Bolton-le-Sands, Main Road, Bolton-le-Sands, Carnforth, LA5 8DN

- 3.3 The 'proposed submission documents' refers to the following documents:

- Climate Emergency Review of the Strategic Policies & Land Allocations DPD
- Climate Emergency Review of the Development Management DPD
- The Sustainability Appraisal Report and
- The Habitats Regulations Assessment Report
- The Consultation Statement
- Statement of Representations Procedure (This document)
- Supporting documents that are relevant to the preparations of the DPDs
- Duty to Co-operate Statement of Compliance

4.0 Period within which Representations must be made

- 4.1 The statutory period for making representations in relation to ‘legal compliance’ and/or ‘soundness’ of the Strategic Policies & Land Allocations DPD and/or the Development Management DPD is for a period of **6 weeks** starting from **Monday 31 January 2022 to 12noon Monday 14 March 2022.**

PLEASE NOTE: Late representations will not be accepted.

- 4.2 During this formal Publication period you will only be able to comment on whether you find the Strategic Policies & Land Allocations DPD and/or the Development Management DPD to be sound (compliant with National planning policy) and compliant with legal requirements. Please refer to the ‘Guide to making a Representation’

5.0 How to Submit a Representation

- 5.1 Representations are encouraged online found in the council website:
<https://www.lancaster.gov.uk/local-plan-review>
- 5.2 Hard copies of the Representation Forms are available at the inspection points listed below during normal opening hours or on request:
- Morecambe Town: Town Hall, Marine Road East, Morecambe, LA4 5AF
 - Local Libraries (details above)

5.3 Representation Forms can be submitted by:

- The council's online system found in the council website:
<https://www.lancaster.gov.uk/local-plan-review>
- Email to planningpolicy@lancaster.gov.uk
- Post to the Planning & Place Service, Planning and Housing Policy Team, Lancaster City Council, PO Box 4, Lancaster Town Hall, Dalton Square, Lancaster, LA1 1JP

5.4 All representations should specify the matters to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made. Only those representations that are made in writing (either electronically or on paper) and arrive at the address specified within the 6 week consultation period closing at 12 noon on Monday 14 March 2022 will be considered alongside the submitted Strategic Policies & Land Allocations DPD and the Development Management DPD, which will both be examined by an independent Planning Inspector.

5.5 It is strongly recommended that you make use of the formal representation forms, which have been provided by the council to make your representation to ensure that it relates to the issues of legal compliance and/or soundness. **Any individual submitting a representation that is not in a format which is consistent with the representation form may be required to re-submit their representation in the appropriate format.**

PLEASE NOTE: Late representations will not be accepted after 12 noon 14 March 2022

5.6 Comments that have been received during previous consultation exercises will not be carried forward into the Publication Stage.

6.0 Request for further Notifications

6.1 Representations may also be accompanied by a request to be notified (at a specific address) of any of the following:

- That the Strategic Policies & Land Allocations DPD and the Development Management DPD have been submitted for Independent Examination by a Planning Inspector;
- The Publication of the recommendations of any person (i.e. the Planning Inspector) appointed to carry out an independent examination of the Strategic Policies & Land Allocations and the Development Management DPDs; and
- The Adoption of the Strategic Policies & Land Allocations DPD and the Development Management DPD.

7.0 Further Information and Advice

- 7.1 If you require any further information, advice or assistance over the above matters, please contact a member of the Planning and Housing Strategy Team by phoning 01524 582383 or by emailing planningpolicy@lancaster.gov.uk.
- 7.2 All documentation relating to this Publication Stage can be found on the council's planning policy webpages at <https://www.lancaster.gov.uk/local-plan-review>.

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