

PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004
Regulations 19 and 20 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning)
(England) Regulations 2012

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF THE 'PRE-SUBMISSION FOCUSSED CHANGES'
TO THE TENDRING DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN PROPOSED SUBMISSION DRAFT
(2012) FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND STATEMENT OF THE
REPRESENTATIONS PROCEDURE

On Friday 9th November 2012, the Council published the Tendring District Local Plan: Proposed Submission Draft for just over 8 weeks public consultation which ended on Monday 7th January 2013. During the consultation period, the Council received approximately 800 representations in response to the draft Local Plan containing a range of comments on various policies and proposals both in objection and in support. It also received some preliminary advice from the Planning Inspectorate highlighting certain elements of the Local Plan that would need to be reviewed in order to meet the government's tests of soundness. Having considered all of these comments and the Planning Inspectorate's advice, the Council proposes to make a number of 'Pre-Submission Focussed Changes' to the draft Local Plan before it is submitted to the Secretary of State to be formally 'examined' by an Inspector.

The Focussed Changes are now the subject of public consultation in their own right to allow interested parties the opportunity to make any final comments before the draft Local Plan is amended and thereafter submitted to the Secretary of State.

The Local Plan, once adopted, will be the statutory development plan for the Tendring district over the fifteen-year period between 2014 and 2029. The Local Plan will eventually replace the current Tendring District Local Plan that was adopted in 2007. Its purpose is to set out the key development projects that will deliver new jobs, housing and community facilities; it identifies specific sites that will be both promoted and protected from development; it identifies new infrastructure that will be needed to support future growth; and it contains the planning policies that the Council will use to determine planning applications. The Local Plan also provides the broad framework of policies and proposals to which individual communities can, if they wish, add further detail and more local requirements by preparing their own 'Neighbourhood Plans'. The Council proposes to submit the Local Plan to the Secretary of State for independent examination under Section 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, along with the required supporting documents.

Prior to this, in accordance with Regulation 20 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, the Council is inviting representations to be made to consider whether the proposed pre-submission focussed changes to the Local Plan are legally compliant and sound. Any representations made will be submitted with the Local Plan and considered by a Planning Inspector.

The 'Pre-Submission Focussed Changes' to the Local Plan and the accompanying Sustainability Appraisal Report will be placed on deposit for public consultation for just over 6 weeks commencing Monday 6th January 2014 and ending Monday 17th February 2014. During this time, any person or organisation may make representations about the Pre-Submission Focussed Changes. The Pre-Submission Focussed Changes to the Local Plan and supporting documentation can be viewed on the Council's website (www.tendringdc.gov.uk) and will be made available for public inspection during normal opening hours at the following deposit points until 17th February 2014:

- **Weeley Council Offices** (Thorpe Road, Weeley, Essex CO16 9AJ);

- **Clacton Town Hall** (Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, CO15 1SE); and
- at all the libraries in the district (please contact Essex County Council for opening times on 0845 603 7628 or visit www.essex.gov.uk/libraries).

There will be opportunities to speak directly to the Council officers involved in the preparation of the Pre-Submission Focussed Changes to the Local Plan in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Thorpe Road, Weeley, CO16 9AJ on the following dates:

- Friday 10th January 2014 – 10:00 to 16:00; and
- Friday 31st January 2014 – 10:00 to 16:00.

Any person or organisation may make representations on the proposed changes. Those wishing to submit representations are encouraged to send in comments using a representation form available from the Council's website (www.tendringdc.gov.uk) or alternatively a paper form is available on request and found at the deposit points (listed above). Representations can either be sent electronically by email to planning.policy@tendringdc.gov.uk or alternatively by post to the following address: The Planning Policy Manager, Department of Planning, Tendring District Council, Council Offices, Thorpe Road, Weeley, Clacton-on-Sea, Essex CO16 9AJ. All representations must be received by the Council **no later than 17:00 on Monday 17th February 2014. Any submissions received after this deadline cannot be considered.**

Representations may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified address (postal or electronic) of any of the following: the submission of the Local Plan for independent examination under Section 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Act 2004, the publication of the recommendations of the person appointed to carry out an independent examination of the Local Plan, and the adoption of the Local Plan.

For any further information about the Local Plan or the consultation process, please phone 01255 686177 or email planning.policy@tendringdc.gov.uk.

Dated 6th January 2014