

Local Development Scheme

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Haringey LONDON

1. Introduction

About the Local Development Scheme

1.1 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) sets out the timetable for the preparation and review of the Council's planning policy documents. The LDS is required to be published by law. The primary legislation relating to LDSs is the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004[1] (as amended) ('the Act'). The secondary legislation relating to LDSs is The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012[2] (as amended) ('the Regulations'). The national government guidance relating to LDSs is in the National Government Guidance on plan-making (paragraph 003)[3]

1.2 The Council must prepare and maintain a LDS as required by Section 15(1) of the Act and paragraph 003 of the Guidance on plan-making. Having an up-to-date LDS is important to ensure that "local communities and interested parties can keep track of progress" of Local Plans.

What must the LDS include?

1.3 The LDS must specify:

- Local development documents which are to be 'development plan documents' (i.e. Local Plan policies);
- The subject matter and geographical area to which each document is to relate;
- Which (if any) are to be prepared jointly with one or more other local planning authorities;
- Any matter or area in respect of which the authority has agreed (or proposes to agree) to the constitution of a joint committee;
- The timetable for the preparation and revision of the documents; and
- Such other matters as are prescribed.

When does the LDS take effect?

1.4 To bring the LDS into effect, the Council must resolve that the scheme is to have effect and in the resolution specify the date from which the scheme is to have effect[4]. This LDS takes effect from 10 November 2026 and supersedes the previous LDS from March 2025.

When can the LDS be revised?

1.5 The Council may revise its LDS "at such time as they consider appropriate"[5].

Publicising the LDS

1.6 The Council must make the following available to the public[6]:

- The up-to-date text of the LDS – provided as section 2 to this document;
- A copy of any amendments made to the LDS – provided as section 3 to this document; and
- Up-to-date information showing the state of the Council's compliance (or non- compliance) with the timetable.

1.7 The Council is required to publish the LDS on its website and keep it up to date. The LDS is available on the Council's planning policy web pages[7].

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[1] http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/5/contents
[2] https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/767/contents/made
[3] https://www.gov.uk/guidance/plan-making
[4] Section 15(7) of the Act
[5] Section 15(8) of the Act
[6] Section 15(9A) of the Act
[7] https://www.haringey.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning/planning-policy/local-plan/local-development-scheme-

How does the LDS relate to the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plans?

1.8 The preparation or revision of a Local Plan document must be "in accordance with" the LDS. There is no requirement to list Neighbourhood Plans in the LDS. The latest information on Neighbourhood Planning in the borough is available on the Council's planning policy web pages[8].

Monitoring the LDS

1.9 The Council publishes an 'Authority Monitoring Report' (AMR) on an annual basis to report on the implementation of its planning policies and other matters. The AMRs for each year are available on the Council's planning policy web pages. The Council's AMR must contain the title of the Local Plans specified in the Council's LDS. In relation to those documents it should state:

- The timetable specified in the Council's LDS for the document's preparation;
- The stage the document has reached in its preparation; and
- If the document's preparation is behind the LDS timetable, the reasons for this; and
- Where any Local Plan specified in the Council's LDS has been adopted or approved within the AMR monitoring period, a statement of that fact and the date of adoption or approval.

1.10 The PPG is clear that "Up-to-date and accessible reporting on the LDS in an Authority's Monitoring Report is an important way in which Local Planning Authorities can keep communities informed of plan making activity"[9]. There is however no requirement to consult on an LDS or to submit to the Mayor of London or Secretary of State.

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[8] https://www.haringey.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning/planning-policy/localism/neighbourhood-planning

[9] Paragraph 003 of the NPPG

2. Local Development Scheme

New Local Plan

2.1 The Council is preparing an entirely New Local Plan. The plan will be a consolidated plan and fully replace the documents that currently make up the adopted Local Plan which are as follows:

- Strategic Policies Development Plan Document (2017)
- Development Management Development Plan Document (2017)
- Site Allocations Development Plan Document (2017)
- Tottenham Area Action Plan (2017)

2.2 The New Local Plan will be subject to an Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) and will also result in the publication of a new Policies Map. The IIA will include a comprehensive Equalities Impact Assessment to ensure equalities considerations are appropriately considered and addressed. Community engagement on the emerging Plan will be undertaken in accordance with the regulations and the adopted Haringey Statement of Community Involvement.

2.3 Once adopted, the New Local Plan will be the key component of our Development Plan, alongside and supported by the London Plan (2021), Neighbourhood Plans, the North London Waste Plan (2022), which sets out the planning framework for waste management in North London.

2.4 The New Local Plan will build directly upon the Council's ambitious new vision for Haringey which was adopted in October 2024. The Council recognises that the vision is just a start and to achieve it the Council has identified six 'Calls to Action'. These are the priorities that our residents, communities and partners have indicated are the foundations of the future that we want to build. It is through securing progress in these fundamental areas that we will create opportunity, a great quality of life and sense of belonging for all. The New Local Plan will set out a comprehensive placemaking framework for Haringey that contributes to the delivery of all six 'Calls to Action'.

2.5 The table on the following page outlines the key stages for the preparation of the Council's New Local Plan.

New Local Plan (Borough Wide)						
	Local Plan First Step Engagement	**Draft Local Plan**	**Proposed Submission Local Plan**	**Submission to the Planning Inspectorate and Examination**	**Adoption**	**Key Risks** Planning Inspectorate resources and timetabling Any substantive soundness issues identified through examination
Regulation	**Pre- Regulation 18**	**Regulation 18**	**Regulation 19**	**Regulations 22-25**	**Regulation 26**	
Key Dates	Engagement took place from November 2020-February 2021	Consultation took place from October-December 2026	December 2026 to January 2027 Pending	March 2027 to September 2027 Pending	March 2028 Pending	
What happens?	The first opportunity for residents, businesses and other local stakeholders to help shape the new Local Plan from the beginning, identifying key issues and challenges the Borough faces and preferences for various possible options and opportunities.	The Council will consult interested parties and statutory consultees on a full draft of the Plan before the final document is produced.	The Council will publish the Local Plan that it wants to adopt which is followed by a minimum 6-week period when formal representations can be made to it.	The Council will submit the Local Plan to the Secretary of State via the Planning Inspectorate. A Planning Inspector will examine the document to check for compliance with the legislation and tests of soundness. The Council may need to consult on Proposed Modifications	The Council will adopt the Local Plan following consideration of the Inspector's recommendations following the examination	

3. Amendments Made to the 2025 Version of the LDS

3.1 The 2026 LDS supersedes the previous LDS from March 2025. The amendments made to the 2025 version are set out below:

	March 2025 LDS	2026 LDS	
Document	**Key dates**	**Amendments made**	**Reason**
New Local Plan	**Consultation on Issues and Options:** November 2020-February 2021 **Consultation on Draft Local Plan:** July-September 2025 **Consultation on Proposed Submission Local Plan:** May-June 2026 **Submission and Examination:** July-November 2026 **Adoption:** February 2027	**Consultation on Issues and Options:** November 2020-February 2021 **Consultation on Draft Local Plan:** October-December 2025 **Consultation on Proposed Submission Local Plan:** December 2026 – January 2027 **Submission and Examination:** March 2027-September 2027 **Adoption:** March 2028	The Council has not met the original timetable envisaged to produce a New Local Plan. This has been impacted by staff and resourcing of the Planning Policy Team, a very large consultation response to the Regulation 18 Draft Local Plan and the significant additional time spent on preparation of evidence and policy development.