

# A new Local Plan for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole



## Issues and options consultation

Our Local Plan for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole will set out a strategy for how much, where and what type of development will take place across the BCP area up to 2038. It will provide detailed planning policies and site allocations to guide change, and new development.

The consultation document explains the key issues for the Local Plan and either recommends the approach we think we should take or sets out options to address the issue. Where we think there is only one reasonable thing to do, we make a recommendation and provide a reason why.

Please use this form to give us your views on the topics in the Local Plan. You can complete the whole form or just complete the topic areas you are most interested in.

You can complete a more detailed questionnaire that asks for your views on all the technical aspects of the issues and options at [haveyoursay.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/localplan](https://haveyoursay.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/localplan).

If you have any questions or would like the survey in a different format, please email [bcplocalplan@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:bcplocalplan@bcpcouncil.gov.uk). You can also refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on the main consultation page.

Please respond by Monday 7 March 2022.

## What we've done so far

We ran an initial public consultation on the key issues for the BCP Local Plan and a call for possible development sites in 2019. This information has been used to develop our issues and options document. A full report on the previous consultation is available at: [bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplan](https://bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplan). We have also been gathering a wide range of evidence on a variety of topics. Some of this is still to be completed and is explained in the relevant sections of the consultation document.

2019	We are here	Spring 2022	Autumn 2022	Winter 2022/23	Summer 2023
<b>Stage 1</b> <b>Evidence gathering (Reg 18)</b> Initial consultation considering what issues should be addressed in the Local Plan	<b>Stage 2</b> <b>Issues and Options</b> This consultation which looks at different options to address the issues raised and the findings of evidence	<b>Stage 3</b> <b>Draft Plan (Reg 19)</b> Consultation on draft policies and development locations.	<b>Stage 4</b> <b>Plan submitted to the Secretary of State</b>	<b>Stage 5</b> <b>Examination</b> An independent Planning Inspector examines the plan, evidence and the comments made to test if it 'sound'.	<b>Stage 6</b> <b>Adoption</b> The plan is adopted and used to inform decisions on planning applications

## About you

### Q1 How are you responding to this consultation?

Please select one box only.

A resident living in Bournemouth, Christchurch or Poole

An agent (please tell us the name of your organisation / client's name in the box below)

A developer/landowner

On behalf of an organisation/association (please tell us the name of the organisation in the box below)

A member of a Town and Parish Council

BCP Councillor

Other (please specify in the box below)

### Q2 Please tell us which organisation you are responding on behalf of?

## Vision and objectives

Please read [Section 3 'Vision and objectives'](#) of the consultation document before answering the questions in this section.

## Our vision

Our vision is linked to our corporate vision set out in [Our Big Plan](#):

**We aim for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole to be the UK's newest city region, brimming with prospects, positivity and pride.**

### Q3 To what extent do you agree or disagree that this is the right vision for the Local Plan? Select one box only.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Q4 If you disagree or strongly disagree with the vision, please explain why briefly in the box below.

# Our proposed objectives

Following on from our Vision, we have ten proposed objectives. Please refer to the consultation document for more information on the objectives.

Below is a list of all the issues covered under the ten key objectives:

## **Regenerating our town centres**

Regenerating our town centres and enabling vibrant local communities.

## **New market and affordable homes**

The number of homes we need; where new homes could be built; affordable housing; providing the right mix and type of homes; custom self-build housing; homes for older people and those with disabilities; student accommodation; and gypsies & travellers.

## **A prosperous economy**

Bringing forward strategic employment sites; protecting existing employment areas; isolated employment areas; visitor accommodation; and visitor attractions.

## **Adapting our high streets and retail areas**

Our needs for shopping and other town centre uses; town centre boundaries and primary shopping areas; sequential tests and impact assessments; and vibrant centres.

## **Providing a safe, sustainable and convenient transport network**

Our future transport strategy; transport infrastructure; and transport impacts from new development.

## **Our natural environment**

Conserving and enhancing biodiversity and geodiversity; protecting Dorset Heathlands and mitigating development impacts; provision of strategic Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspaces (SANGS); improving the air quality on the Dorset heathlands; dealing with Poole Harbour recreational pressures; dealing with Poole Harbour nitrate pollution; and supporting green infrastructure and open space.

## **Our built environment**

Ensuring good placemaking and urban design; planning for urban intensification which could specifically affect 26 areas; tall buildings; preserving and enhancing our heritage; and preserving coastal and landscape character.

## **Promoting health and wellbeing**

Supporting health and wellbeing; and ensuring a high standard of amenity.

## **Tackling climate change**

Ensuring new development will be built to reduce their energy use and minimise carbon emissions; maximising the uptake of energy from renewable sources; and flood and coastal erosion risk management.

## **Providing infrastructure that supports development**

Delivering the infrastructure to support growth; balancing the delivery of infrastructure with viable development; telecommunications and digital infrastructure provision; and community facilities and services.

**Q5 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the objectives?**

Select one box for each row.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
a) Regenerate our town centres and network of vibrant communities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Provide a sufficient supply of new market and affordable homes to meet the different needs of our communities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Support economic growth, the creation of jobs and the offer to visitors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Adapt our High Streets and shopping areas to cater for changing retail demands	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Provide a safe, sustainable and convenient transport network, with a step change in active travel behaviour, ensuring the necessary transport infrastructure is in place to make it easy for everyone to get around	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Conserve and enhance our protected habitats and biodiversity, and our network of green infrastructure and open spaces	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g) Promote local character and the delivery of high quality urban design	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h) Improve health and wellbeing and contribute towards reducing inequalities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i) Work towards achieving carbon neutrality ahead of 2050 and inspire action to combat the climate and ecological emergency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
j) Deliver the infrastructure needed to support development, local communities and businesses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q6** If you disagree or strongly disagree with any of the objectives, please explain why briefly in the box below.

**Please use the appropriate letter (a to j) to show which objective you are referring to.**

**Q7 Please tell us which of the objectives are most important to you by selecting your top 5 below.**

Select five boxes only.

- a) Regenerate our town centres and network of vibrant communities
- b) Provide a sufficient supply of new market and affordable homes to meet the different needs of our communities
- c) Support economic growth, the creation of jobs and the offer to visitors
- d) Adapt our High Streets and shopping areas to cater for changing retail demands
- e) Provide a safe, sustainable and convenient transport network, with a step change in active travel behaviour, ensuring the necessary transport infrastructure is in place to make it easy for everyone to get around
- f) Conserve and enhance our protected habitats and biodiversity, and our network of green infrastructure and open spaces
- g) Promote local character and the delivery of high quality urban design
- h) Improve health and wellbeing and contribute towards reducing inequalities
- i) Work towards achieving carbon neutrality ahead of 2050 and inspire action to combat the climate and ecological emergency
- j) Deliver the infrastructure needed to support development, local communities and businesses

## Regenerating our town centres

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) Regenerating our town centres; b) Enabling vibrant local communities.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.1 'Regenerating our town centres' of the consultation document.**

**Q8 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for regenerating our town centres in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**

## New market and affordable homes

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) The number of homes we need; b) Where new homes could be built  
c) How to provide affordable housing; d) Providing the right mix and types of homes; e) Providing custom self-built housing plots; f) Providing homes for older people and those with disabilities; g) Student accommodation; h) Pitches for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.2 'New market and affordable homes' of the consultation document.**

**Q9 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for new market and affordable homes in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**



We welcome your views on any of the 120 sites in the built-up area that have been identified on the interactive map at [bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanurban](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanurban). You can make detailed comments about these sites, or any other sites you have in mind on the interactive map.

A number of sites in the Green Belt have also been suggested to us by private land owners and site promoters. These are shown in the interactive map at [bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplangreen](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplangreen). You can make detailed comments about these sites, or other sites you have in mind on the interactive map.

## A prosperous economy

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) Bringing forward strategic employment sites; b) Protecting existing employment areas;  
c) Isolated employment areas; d) Visitor accommodation; and e) Visitor attractions.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.3 'A prosperous economy' of the consultation document.**

**Q10 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for a prosperous economy in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**



To meet employment needs we will need to allocate strategic sites for employment. These strategic sites have been identified in previous Local Plans and include Bournemouth Airport, the Port of Poole, Talbot Village, Wessex Fields and Lansdowne. These are shown on the interactive map at [bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanstrategic](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanstrategic). You can make detailed comments about these sites, or other sites you have in mind on the interactive map.

Our existing employment sites across BCP are shown on the interactive map at [bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanemployment](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanemployment). You can make detailed comments about these sites on the interactive map.

The sites promoted to us for leisure and visitor attractions around Hurn are shown on the interactive map at [bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanleisure](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanleisure). You can make detailed comments about these sites on the interactive map.

## Adapting our high streets and retail areas

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) Our needs for shopping and other town centre uses; b) Town centre boundaries and primary shopping areas; c) Sequential tests and impact assessments; and d) Vibrant centres.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.4 'Adapting our high streets and retail areas' of the consultation document.**

**Q11 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for adapting our high streets and retail areas in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**

Our town centre and other centre boundaries can be viewed on our interactive map at [bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanretail](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanretail). You can make detailed comments about these centres on the interactive map.

# Providing a safe, sustainable and convenient transport network

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) Our future transport strategy; b) Transport infrastructure; c) Transport impacts from new development.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.5 'Provide a safe, sustainable and convenient transport network' of the consultation document.**

**Q12 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for providing a safe, sustainable and convenient transport network in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**

# Our natural environment

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) Conserving and enhancing biodiversity and geodiversity; b) Protecting Dorset heathlands and mitigating development impacts; c) Provision of strategic 'Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspaces' (SANGS); d) Improving the air quality on the Dorset heathlands; e) Dealing with Poole Harbour recreational pressures; f) Dealing with Poole Harbour nitrate pollution; g) Supporting green infrastructure and open space.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.6 'Our natural environment' of the consultation document.**

**Q13 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for our natural environment in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**

# Our built environment

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) Ensuring good placemaking and urban design; b) Planning for urban intensification which could specifically affect 26 areas; c) Tall buildings; d) Preserving and enhancing our heritage; e) Preserving coastal and landscape character.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.7 'Our built environment' of the consultation document.**

**Q14 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for our built environment in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**

The areas where we could be proactive about supporting a change in character are shown on the interactive map at [bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanchange](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanchange). You can make detailed comments about these areas, or suggest any other areas you have in mind on the interactive map.

Our heritage conservation areas are shown on the interactive map at [bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanconservation](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk/localplanconservation). You can make detailed comments about these sites, or other sites you have in mind on the interactive map.

# Promoting health and wellbeing

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) Supporting health and wellbeing; b) Ensuring a high standard of amenity.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.8 'Promoting health and well being' of the consultation document.**

**Q15 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for promoting health and wellbeing in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**

## Tackling climate change

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) Ensuring new buildings will be built to reduce their energy use and minimise carbon emissions; b) Maximising the uptake of energy from renewable sources; c) Flood and coastal erosion risk management.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.9 'Tackling climate change' of the consultation document.**

**Q16 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for tackling climate change in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**

## Providing infrastructure that supports development

This section of the issues and options consultation covers:

a) Delivering the infrastructure to support growth; b) Balancing the delivery of infrastructure with viable development; c) Telecommunications and digital infrastructure provision; d) Community facilities and services.

**You can find information about this in Section 4.10 'Providing infrastructure that supports development' of the consultation document.**

**Q17 Please tell us your comments about the recommendations for providing infrastructure that supports development in the Local Plan, including any other issues or ideas you feel that we should consider.**

## Other Comments and Suggestions

**Q18 Finally, do you have any other issues, comments or suggestions that we should consider for the Local Plan?**

## Considering Equalities and Human Rights

**BCP Council has a duty to take into account the impact of their decisions on human rights and protected groups (age, disability, sex/gender, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnerships, pregnancy, maternity, race religion or belief, and sexual orientation) as defined under the Equality Act 2010.**

**Q19 Are there any positive or negative impacts of recommendations and options in this consultation that you believe that BCP Council should take into account in relation to equalities or human rights? If so, are you able to provide any supporting information and suggest any ways in which the organisation could reduce or remove any potential negative impacts and increase any positive impacts?**

# About you

**Q20 Please tell us your full postcode.** This will help us understand if there are different views from residents in different areas.

**It is important that we understand how these proposals could affect different people within our community which is why we ask you personal questions about yourself. If you do not feel comfortable providing this data then please select 'prefer not to say'. The information we collect will be confidential and any data published cannot be traced back to you.**

**Q21 Are you aged:**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Under 16      | <input type="checkbox"/> 55 - 64 years     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 16 - 24 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 65 -74 years      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 25 - 34 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 75 - 84 years     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 35 - 44 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 85+ years         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 45 - 54 years | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say |

**Q22 What is your sex?**

- Female  
 Male  
 Prefer not to say

**Q23 Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?**

- Yes  
 No, please write in gender identity below  
 Prefer not to say

**Q24 What is your sexual orientation?**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Straight / Heterosexual | <input type="checkbox"/> Bisexual                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gay or Lesbian          | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below if you wish) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asexual                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say                 |

**Q25 Are your day-to-day activities limited because of any physical or mental health conditions or illnesses, lasting or expected to last 12 months or more?**

- Yes - limited a lot  
 Yes - limited a little  
 No  
 Prefer not to say

**Q26 What is your ethnic group?**

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> White English / Welsh / Scottish / Northern Irish / British                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Black / British African   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White Irish  | <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Black / African / Caribbean background (please specify below if you wish) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White Gypsy or Irish Traveller   | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian / British Indian  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roma   | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian / British Pakistani   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Any other White background (please specify below if you wish)                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian / British Bangladeshi   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed White & Black Caribbean  | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian / British Chinese   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed White & Black African  | <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Asian background (please specify below if you wish)                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed White & Asian  | <input type="checkbox"/> Arab  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Mixed/ Multiple ethnic background (please specify below if you wish) | <input type="checkbox"/> Any other ethnic group (please specify below if you wish)                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black / British Caribbean  | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say   |

**Q27 What is your religion or belief?**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> No religion   | <input type="checkbox"/> Jewish  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christian (Church of England, Catholic, Protestant and all other Christian denominations) | <input type="checkbox"/> Muslim  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buddhist  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sikh  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hindu   | <input type="checkbox"/> Any other religion or belief (please specify below if you wish) |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say   |

**Q28 Have you previously served in the UK Armed Forces?**

- Yes, previously served in Regular Armed Forces
- Yes, previously served in Reserve Armed Forces
- No
- Prefer not to say

**Thank you for taking part in this survey.**

**Please save your document and email it to: [bcplocalplan@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:bcplocalplan@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)**

**You can also drop your completed form into a 'Have Your Say' box at any of our BCP libraries or send to:**

**Planning Policy Team – BCP Local Plan issues and options, BCP Council,  
PO Box 9548, Bournemouth.**

**Please affix a postage stamp to your letter.**