

Dear Clerk

I am writing to let you know that the District Council has today launched an 8-week public consultation to help shape the development of the new West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2041. The consultation runs from 30 August – 25 October 2023 and is focused on 3 particular elements:

Draft local plan objectives – a series of draft objectives which are intended to guide the future evolution of the plan in terms of its overall approach and anticipated policy content

The future pattern of development in West Oxfordshire – different scenarios for how and where we might look to focus future growth in the period up to 2041;

Call for sites, ideas and opportunities – an open invitation for stakeholders to put forward their thoughts on how land in the District might be used in the future such as new housing, nature recovery and renewable energy.

The feedback received will then be used to inform a series of preferred policy approaches which will be the subject of further consultation in due course.

To ensure the responses we receive are able to be easily analysed, we are encouraging all stakeholders to respond using our online digital platform: <https://yourvoice.westoxon.gov.uk>

Alternatively, written comments can also be submitted as follows:

- Email: planning.consultation@westoxon.gov.uk
- Write to: Planning Policy Team, Woodgreen, New Yatt Road, Witney, OX28 1NB

Hard copies of the consultation material will shortly be made available in the following locations:

West Oxfordshire District Council Witney Town Centre Shop 3 Welch Way Witney OX28 6JH Tel: 01993 861000 Open: Monday – Friday 9am to 5pm	Witney Town Council Town Hall Market Square Witney OX28 6AG Tel: 01993 704379 Open: Mon, Tues and Thurs 8.30am to 5pm, Wed 9.30am to 5pm and Fri 8.30am to 4.30pm.	Carterton Town Council 19 Alvescot Road Carterton OX18 3JL Tel: 01993 842156 Open: Monday – Friday 9.30am to 4.00pm
Chipping Norton Town Council The Guildhall Market Place Chipping Norton OX7 5NJ Tel: 01608 642341 Open: Monday – Friday 9am to 1pm	Bampton Library Old Grammar School Church View Bampton OX18 2NE Tel: 01993 850076	Burford Library 86A High Street Burford OX18 4QF Tel: 01993 823377
Carterton Library 6 Alvescot Road Carterton OX18 3JH Tel: 01993 841492	Charlbury Library Charlbury Community Centre Enstone Road Charlbury OX7 3PQ Tel: 01608 811104	Chipping Norton Library Goddards Land Chipping Norton OX7 5NP Tel: 01608 643559
Eynsham Library 30 Mill Street Eynsham OX29 4JS Tel: 01865 880525	North Leigh Library Memorial Hall Park Road North Leigh OX29 6SA Tel: 01993 882935	Stonesfield Library Village Hall Longore Stonesfield OX29 8EF Tel: 01993 898187
Witney Library Welch Way Witney OX28 6JH Tel: 01993 703659	Woodstock Library The Oxfordshire Museum Fletcher's House Park Street Woodstock OX20 1SN Tel: 01993 814124 07759 140531	Wychwood Library 29 High Street Milton-under-Wychwood OX7 6LD Tel: 01993 830281

Please note that if you do respond to the consultation, your comments and details will be added to the Council's on-line consultation system, CitizenLab, on your behalf. View our [CitizenLab page](#). To complement the digital consultation, we will also be running a number of 'in-person' consultation events.

It is anticipated that this will include two workshop type sessions with Town and Parish Councils, further details of which will be made available as soon as possible.

In the interim, if you have any questions relating to the consultation, please contact Chris Hargraves, Planning Policy Manager on 01993 861686 or via email at chris.hargraves@westoxon.gov.uk

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