Wandsworth Council

Wandsworth Local Plan

# Local Development Scheme

November 2017

### Introduction

The **Local Development Scheme (LDS)** is the programme for the production of Wandsworth's Local Plan.

#### This document contains:

- An introduction setting out the context for the Local Plan
- A description of which Local Plan and related documents the Council will produce or review (between 2018 - 2021)
- A timetable for the production or review of each Development Plan Document (DPD)
- A timetable for the production of Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)

The first LDS was produced in 2007 and was revised in 2010, 2012, 2014 and 2015. The programme set out in the 2015 LDS has since been amended and consequently this is an update for the future production and revision of Local Plan documents.

# **The Planning System**

The planning system is currently based on the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act (2004), as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, whereby a collection of documents should be produced by the Local Planning Authority that make up together the statutory plan for the borough, referred to as the "Local Plan".

The Local Plan documents that the Council adopted in 2016 consist of the Core Strategy, the Development Management Policies Document and the Site Specific Allocations Document. A full review of the Local Plan will take place in light of the publication of a draft London Plan expected in autumn/winter 2017, and to ensure that Wandsworth's policies reflect up-to-date evidence and are in line with the Government's planning framework. In the interim, and reflecting that the last employment and industry evidence dated from 2010, the Council has been progressing a Local Plan partial review of employment and industrial land in the Borough, which is anticipated to be adopted by winter 2018.

The Local Plan is a portfolio of Local Development Documents (LDDs) which contain plans and policies set out in Development Plan Documents (DPDs) and in Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs). LDDs must be in general conformity with the Mayor of London's Spatial Development Strategy (the London Plan). Together with the London Plan they constitute the statutory development plan for the borough. DPDs set out the policies for the borough and are subject to Sustainability Appraisal (SA) in their preparation to consider the economic, social and environmental effects of a plan. DPDs are subject to public consultation and examination in public before they can be

adopted. SPDs can add detail and provide further guidance on policies in DPDs. Draft SPDs are published for consultation but the majority are not subject to SA and they are not subject to an independent examination process.

The Localism Act (2011) introduced reforms to the planning system and enables communities, through the establishment of Neighbourhood Forums to create Neighbourhood Plans for their area with the support of the Council. The Council has designated one neighbourhood forum and neighbourhood area in April 2017: the Tooting Bec and Broadway Neighbourhood Forum and Area.

#### The Wandsworth Local Plan

The previous LDSs established which DPDs would be taken forward by the Council. Since this time the Council has produced and adopted DPDs in its previous LDSs and has progressed a review of those adopted DPDs. This new LDS sets out the timetable (Table 1) for reviewing those DPDs and the production of a new single Local Plan, which is also a DPD, and is referred to in the Regulations as a local development document or local plan.

#### **Current Development Plan Documents (DPDs)**

- **Core Strategy** This sets out a spatial vision and strategic objectives, core policies, and a monitoring and implementation framework. The Council adopted the Core Strategy in March 2016.
- Development Management Policies Document (DMPD) sets out detailed policies for managing development in the borough. The Council adopted the DMPD in March 2016.
- Site Specific Allocations Document (SSAD) sets out area spatial strategies and the main sites where development or other change is anticipated, or where the Council has particular objectives, together with policies for individual sites and details about the allocation of waste sites and detailed maps relating to the tall buildings policy. The Council adopted the SSAD in March 2016.

#### **Emerging Development Plan Documents**

- Employment and Industry Local Plan This comprises the Council's review of the policies in the adopted <u>Local Plan</u> which relate to employment and industrial land.
- Policies Map The policies map identifies areas designated for protection, areas where specific policies will apply, and sites for development. The Policies Map incorporates polices set out in the Core Strategy, DMPD and SSAD and was adopted in March 2016. A new Policies Map is being prepared reflecting sites and policy constraints in the emerging Employment and Industry Local Plan Document and will be adopted within the same timeframe.

Wandsworth Local Plan – as well as reviewing the current adopted DPDs, the
Council will also undertake a comprehensive policy review following the adoption
of the Employment and Industry Plan Document. This will incorporate a review of
the vision, objectives, detailed policies and site allocations currently set out in
the adopted Core Strategy, DMPD and SSAD to produce a new single Local
Plan.

#### **Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)**

As indentified in the DMPD and SSAD, the Council has adopted a number of SPDs to expand and provide further guidance on policies set out in the adopted DPDs. Updated guidance relating to planning obligations is being developed and the timetable for this is set out in this document.

#### Other Documents

 Local Development Scheme (this document) – is the project plan for preparation of the Local Plan. The timescales for the production of documents under the previous LDS have been reviewed so this document sets out the programme for the future production and revision of Local Plan and policy documents.

#### **Neighbourhood Plans**

The Localism Act provides the framework for communities to produce Neighbourhood Plans for their area. There is one designated Neighbourhood Forum and Neighbourhood Area in Wandsworth. In April 2017 the Council designated the Tooting Bec and Broadway Neighbourhood Forum and Area following public consultation. A timetable for the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan is yet to be prepared by the Forum, who are responsible for the production of their Plan. Therefore it is considered inappropriate to include it in the LDS timetable, however this position will be updated in any subsequent revision of this document. The timetable for the production of any Neighbourhood Plans will be determined by the Neighbourhood Forum up to submission to the Council, however timeframes for key stages such as consultation on and designation if neighbourhood areas, fora and plans are prescribed by legislation.

#### **Monitoring**

The progress of Local Plans is monitored to record and assess the effectiveness of key policies and progress against indicators, objectives and targets for the preparation of the plan, including any requirement to amend the Local Development Scheme as part of the Council's Authority Monitoring Report. Details can be found on the Council's website at: <a href="https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/planning">www.wandsworth.gov.uk/planning</a>

Table 1: Local Plan – adopted documents and scope and timetable of emerging documents

Adopted Documents						
Document	Status	Role and Content	Geographical Coverage	Adoption		
Core Strategy	DPD (current version adopted Mar 2016)	Setting out spatial vision and objectives, strategy and core policies	Borough-wide	March 2016		
Development Management Policies Document (DMPD)	DPD (current version adopted Mar 2016)	Setting out detailed policies to manage development in the borough	Borough-wide	March 2016		
Site Specific Allocations Document (SSAD)	DPD (current version adopted Mar 2016)	Setting out the main sites where development or other change is anticipated, or where the Council has particular objectives, together with policies for individual sites.	Borough-wide	March 2016		
Policies Map	Policies Map Mar 2016	Showing locations where specific policies and proposals will apply	Borough-wide	March 2016		

	Emerging Documents							
Document	Status	Role and Content	Geographi		paration	Publication	Submission	Adoption
			cal Coverage	Pre- Publication (Reg 18 stage)	Policy Options Consultation	(Reg 19 stage)	(Reg 22 stage)	(Reg 26 stage)
Employment and Industry Local Plan	DPD (emerging - Proposed Submissio n stage Mar 2017)	Setting out updated policies and site allocations for employment and industrial uses to manage development in the borough; where development or other change is anticipated; or where the Council has particular objectives, together with policies for individual sites.	Borough- wide	December 2015 – January 2016	October 2016  – November 2016	March 2017	October 2017	Winter 2018
Policies Map (employment & industrial land review)	Policies Map	Showing locations where updated policies for employment and industrial uses, and related site allocations will apply	Borough- wide	n/a	n/a	March 2017	October 2017	Winter 2018
Wandsworth Local Plan Review	DPD	New Local plan review document covering both spatial and detailed policies	Borough- wide	Scope of plan Consultati on	Pre Publication (Reg 18 stage)	Winter 2019	Autumn 2020	Autumn 2021

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#### **Table 2: SPD Scope and Timetable**

#### **Adopted SPDs**

- **Planning Obligations SPD** (2015) Sets out the Council's approach to planning obligations following the introduction of Community Infrastructure Levy and aims to clarify the types of planning obligations that may be sought and the methodology for calculating the amount of these obligations.
- **Housing SPD** (2016) Setting out further detailed guidance on dwelling standards, conversion of shops to housing, extensions (including basements and lofts) and front gardens and hardstandings for cars. Includes updates relating to basement development
- **Town Centre Uses SPD** (2015) Provides detail on the protection of public houses, control of betting shops and protection against the proliferation of fast food outlets in support of Policy PL8 Town and Local Centres.
- Refuse and Recyclables in Developments SPD (2014) Provides detailed guidance on local requirements for the provision of space and related facilities for the storage and collection of waste in completed developments.
- Local Views SPD (2014) sets out the most important local views in the borough and how these should be safeguarded.
- Roehampton SPD (2015) Covers specific planning-related issues from the masterplan
- Lombard Road/York Road Riverside Focal Point SPD (2015) Sets out a vision for change to ensure that development is coordinated to effect a positive transformation of the area, greater accessibility, public realm and place-making.
- Historic Environment SPD (2016) Sets out detailed guidance on development affecting designated and undesignated heritage assets

## **Emerging SPDs**

SPD	Role and Content	Consultation	Adoption
Planning Obligations SPD	Updates to the adopted SPD following changes to national and regional policy including the Housing White Paper and Mayor's Draft Affordable Housing and Viability SPG and forthcoming London Plan review.	Spring 2018	Winter 2018

The LDS will be revised as necessary to update the timetable for new or revised documents.