

Wandsworth Council

Wandsworth Local Plan

Local Development Scheme

October 2015

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 2015 - 2019)
- 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 and 2014. The programme set out in the 2014 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 and Compulsory Purchase Act (2004) introduced the system of **Local Development Frameworks (LDFs)**. The **National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)** introduced changes to national policy and guidance replacing all previous Planning Policy Guidance (PPG) and Planning Policy Statements (PPS). The NPPF refers to the collection of documents that make up the statutory plan for a Local Planning Authority (LPA) as the 'Local Plan' which is broadly synonymous with the LDF. The LDF documents that the Council has adopted have been reviewed in light of the publication on the NPPF to ensure that Wandsworth's policies are in line with the Government's aims. The Council is also proposing a further review which will focus on industrial land in the borough and following this, a comprehensive policy review will take place to produce a new single Local Plan for the Borough in line with the preferred approach set out in the NPPF.

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 environment effects of the plan. **DPDs** are subject to public consultation and examination in public before they are 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 examination.

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. At present the Council has not received any proposals for organisations to be designated as neighbourhood forums.

The procedure for the preparation and review of Local Plans is contained in The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) 2012 Regulations (the Regulations).

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 the 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 October 2010.
- **Development Management Policies Document (DMPD)** – sets out detailed policies for managing development in the borough. The Council adopted the DMPD in February 2012.
- **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 February 2012.

Policies map

The policies map identifies areas designated for protection, areas where specific policies will apply, and sites for development. The policies map incorporates policies set out in the Core Strategy, DMPD and SSAD and was adopted in February 2012.

- **Wandsworth Local Plan** – as well as reviewing the current adopted DPDs, the Council will also undertake a comprehensive policy review. This will incorporate the vision, objectives, detailed policies and site allocations currently set out in the Core Strategy, DMPD and SSAD to produce a new single Local Plan for the Borough in line with the preferred approach set out in the NPPF.

Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)

As identified in the DMPD and SSAD, the Council has produced a number of SPDs to expand and provide further guidance on policies set out in the adopted DPDs. Guidance relating to planning obligations, housing, local views, refuse and recyclables in developments and town centre uses has already been produced. Further guidance on historic environments, Roehampton and the Lombard/York Road riverside focal point is being developed and the timetable for this is set out in this document. The LDS will be updated to set the timetable for other SPDs that may be produced or reviewed in future.

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 achieved so this document sets out the programme for the future production and revision of Local Plan documents.
- **Statement of Community Involvement** – sets out the Council’s arrangements for involvement of the public and other stakeholders in the preparation of Local Development Documents and in consultation on planning applications for major development proposals. The SCI was first adopted in 2007 and was revised in 2012.

Neighbourhood Plans

The Localism Act provides the framework for communities to produce **Neighbourhood Plans** for their area. As no Neighbourhoods are currently defined in Wandsworth these are not included in the timetable but 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 Forums up to submission to the Council.

Monitoring

The progress of Local Plans is monitored to record and assess the effectiveness of key policies and progress with targets and milestones 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: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/planning

Table 1: Local Plan – Scope and Timetable

Document	Status	Role and Content	Geographical Coverage	Preparation	Publication	Submission	Adoption
Core Strategy (Local Plan review)	DPD (current version adopted Oct 2010)	Setting out spatial vision and objectives, strategy and core policies	Borough-wide	July 2012-September 2014	October 2014	March 2015	March 2016
Development Management Policies Document (DMPD) (Local Plan review)	DPD (current version adopted Feb 2012)	Setting out detailed policies to manage development in the borough	Borough-wide	July 2012-September 2014	October 2014	March 2015	March 2016
Site Specific Allocations Document (SSAD) (Local Plan review)	DPD (current version adopted Feb 2012)	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	July 2012-September 2014	October 2014	March 2015	March 2016
Policies Map (Local Plan review)	Policies Map	Showing locations where specific policies and proposals will apply	Borough-wide	July 2012-September 2014	N/A	March 2015	March 2016
Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) (revision)	LDD	Setting out how the community will be involved in the Local Plan process and in major planning applications	Borough-wide	May-December 2012	N/A	N/A	Adopted December 2012
Core Strategy (employment & industrial land review)	DPD (current version adopted Oct 2010)	Setting out spatial vision and objectives, strategy and core policies	Borough-wide	September 2015 - November 2016	December 2016	July 2017	July 2018
Development Management Policies Document (DMPD)	DPD (current version adopted Feb 2012)	Setting out detailed policies to manage development in the borough	Borough-wide	September 2015 - November 2016	December 2016	July 2017	July 2018

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Site Specific Allocations Document (SSAD) (employment & industrial land review)	DPD (current version adopted Feb 2012)	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	September 2015 - September 2016	December 2016	July 2017	July 2018
Policies Map (employment & industrial land review)	Policies Map	Showing locations where specific policies and proposals will apply	Borough-wide	September 2015 - September 2016	N/A	July 2017	July 2018
Wandsworth Local Plan	DPD	New Local Plan to set out a vision and framework for the future development for the borough, addressing needs and opportunities for housing, the economy, community facilities, infrastructure and safeguarding the environment, adapting to climate change and securing good design.	Borough-wide	September 2015 – September 2017	December 2017	October 2018	October 2019

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 (2015)** - 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.

New and revised SPDs

SPD	Role and Content	Consultation	Adoption
Historic Environment SPD	Sets out detailed guidance on development affecting designated and undesignated heritage assets including, inter alia, listed buildings, locally listed buildings and buildings in conservation areas.	October - November 2015	March 2016
Housing SPD (Revision)	Amendments following introduction of national housing standards	February – March 2016	October 2016
Roehampton SPD	Covers specific planning-related issues from the masterplan including but not limited to land uses, building heights, urban design guidance, approach to conservation & heritage, and the approach towards delivery & implementation.	April – May 2015	October 2015
Lombard Road/York Road Riverside Focal Point SPD	Guide for development in the Lombard Road / York Road area of Battersea's riverside. It sets out a vision for change to ensure that	July – August 2015	December 2015

	development is coordinated to effect a positive transformation of the area and it identifies the benefits for accessibility, public realm and place-making.		
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The LDS will be revised as necessary to update the timetable for new or revised documents.