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## Council consults on its draft Local Plan Preferred Options

Everyone is invited to give their views as part of Lichfield District Council's Local Plan Review.

Lichfield District Council is drawing up a new Local Plan to shape how the district will be developed up to 2040.

It will make sure Lichfield District provides homes, jobs, facilities and services to meet the needs of its population in a sustainable way, while protecting and enhancing the area's environment and heritage.

It will also make sure that planning policies are relevant and up to date.

The council is now asking local people, developers and organisations, including parish councils, to consider its draft Local Plan Preferred Options document. This sets out how the council thinks the district should be developed over the next 20 years and takes local views into account.

**Craig Jordan, Head of Economic Growth & Development, said:** "Our preferred options documents builds on our consultation exercises and sets out how we think the district should be shaped up to 2040.

"We're encouraging everyone to get involved and give us their views. It's a good opportunity to make sure our new Local Plan reflects local needs and desires."

As part of the district-wide consultation, the council is holding a series of drop-in sessions for local people to see the plan and to talk to planners about it and what it means for the district. The sessions will run at:

- Fradley Village Hall on 5 December from 1.30pm to 5.30pm
- Fazeley Town Hall on 9 December from 3pm to 6pm
- Armitage Village Hall on 10 December from 3pm to 6pm
- **Shenstone Methodist Church on 11 December from 3pm to 6pm**
- Burntwood Memorial Institute on 16 December from 3pm to 6.30pm
- Colton Village Hall on 17 December from 1pm to 3pm
- Thomas Spencer Hall in Whittington on 18 December from 2.30pm to 5.30pm
- Alrewas Village Hall on 10 January from 4pm to 6pm
- Lichfield District Council's Council Chamber on 16 January from 3pm to 6pm

To read the draft Local Plan Preferred Options document, and to find out how to give your comments online, visit [www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/localplan2040](http://www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/localplan2040).

The draft Local Plan Preferred Options document is also available on request at Lichfield District Council's Frog Lane reception throughout the consultation during office hours - Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm. It is also available on request at Burntwood and Lichfield libraries throughout the consultation period.

Anyone unable to attend the drop-in sessions in person can also give their views by emailing [developmentplans@lichfielddc.gov.uk](mailto:developmentplans@lichfielddc.gov.uk) or in writing to: Spatial Policy and Delivery, District Council House, Frog Lane, Lichfield WS13 6YZ.

The consultation is running from 29 November 2019 to 24 January 2020.

Ends

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