

DARLINGTON 2036: PLANNING A BETTER PLACE FOR ALL



4th August 2016

Why are we doing this & why now ?

I will cover.....

- What a local plan is
- Why we are preparing one
- What's involved and how long it will take;
and
- When **you** can get involved

What is a Local Plan?

- Provides certainty for residents and investors alike by:
 - Identifying areas for new development and land uses
 - Protecting some land and buildings
 - Setting out requirements on design, layout, etc. for new developments
 - Identifying where new infrastructure is needed
- Promotes sustainable development
- Reflects local ambitions

Why prepare a new Local Plan ?

- To provide certainty
- To promote development opportunities
- Government pressure for an up to date development plan
- The one we did earlier won't cut it.



Why prepare a new Darlington Local Plan?

- To respond to new information on:
 - local housing needs
 - economic growth
- To reflect and respond to updated national policy
- To plan for at least the next 15 years
- To reflect local priorities and ambitions

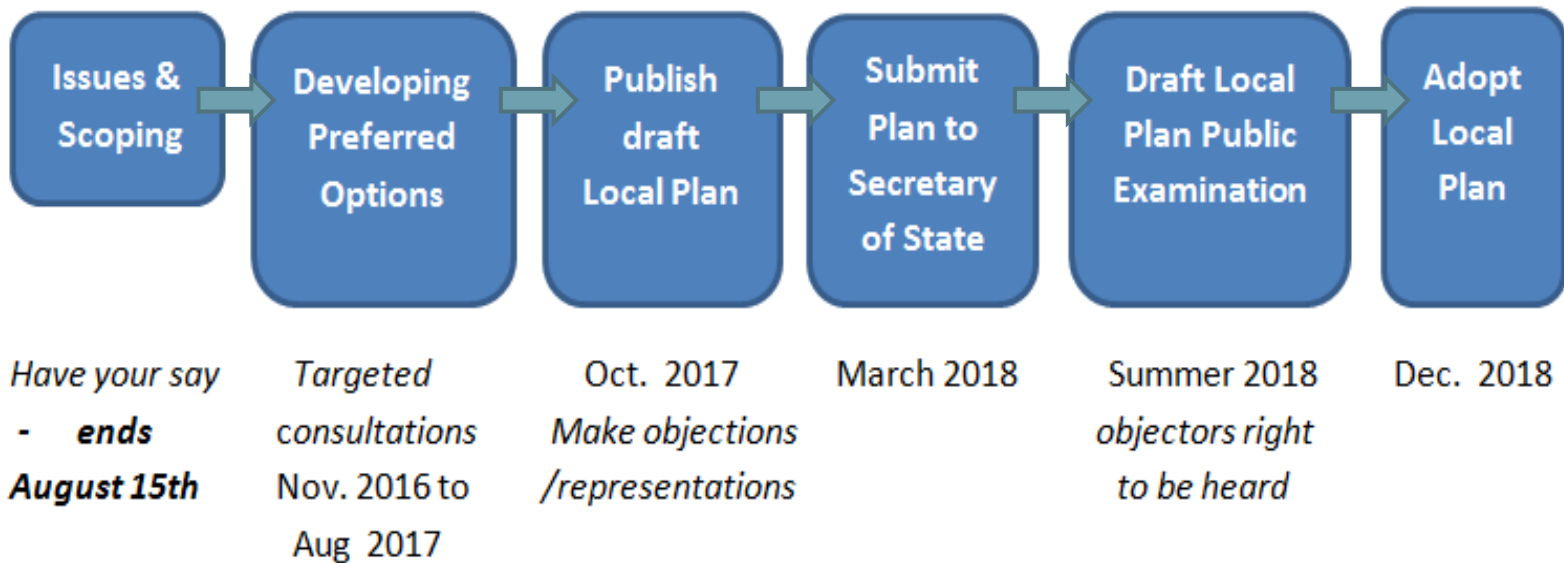
A successful Local Plan should deliver...

- Well planned, high quality, sustainable places
- An attractive place to live, work, visit and invest in
- Economic growth, new jobs, new housing and prosperity



What's involved? When? Your involvement?

Darlington Local Plan 2016-2036



Get Involved

- Stage 1: Strategic Issues and Scoping
- **Comments by 15 August 2016**

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A New Local Plan for Darlington

A new development plan for long term investment and growth for Darlington is being prepared for the next 20 years, up to 2036. It will set out where significant new development should go and will include policies to protect valued environments and heritage, and ensure liveable places.

We need to ensure our population's needs for housing, a thriving economy, community facilities and infrastructure are met- as well as safeguarding the environment, adapting to climate change and securing good design. By 2036, there could be at least 10,000 new homes, supporting the creation of at least 6000 new jobs and helping to sustain a vibrant town centre and high quality sports and recreation facilities and spaces. The Local Plan will be a framework of policies and guidance that will make growth happen in a well thought out, sustainable way.

We need Darlington's stakeholders to tell us what's important to them so that we can make the right choices for the Borough now and in years to come. At this stage, it's difficult to say what the impact of the Local Plan on individuals, groups, business and other stakeholders will be but we want people to get involved when there is an opportunity for them to influence what happens. We've set up this website to keep you informed about the Local Plan's progress and opportunities to get involved in its preparation.

These pages are all about Darlington's emerging Local Plan. If you're looking for Darlington's adopted planning policies and planning position statement these can be found in the Planning

News

Darlington 2036 - planning a better place for all: 4th August 1.45pm - 4.45pm at the Dolphin Centre, Darlington

An event to have your say on the future of Darlington to help shape the Darlington Local Plan.

By Planning Policy Team at 26 Jul 2016

One Darlington July 2016 Local Plan Article

Local Plan feature in the latest issue.

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