

# Local Development Scheme

November 2020





# Background

1. This Local Development Scheme sets out the timetable for the production of the Havant Borough Local Plan.
2. Currently, the development plan is comprises:
  - The Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) (2011);
  - The Havant Borough Local Plan (Allocations) (2014);
  - The Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan<sup>1</sup> (2013).
3. There is currently no intention to review the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan. As such, following the adoption of the Local Plan, the development plan will comprise:
  - The Havant Borough Local Plan; and
  - The Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan<sup>2</sup> (2013).
4. The Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH), of which Havant Borough Council is a part (the partnership has subsequently been renamed to the Partnership for South Hampshire), published a Spatial Position Statement<sup>3</sup> on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2016. This sets out an ambitious programme for the development and growth of South Hampshire into the future.
5. A new local plan needs to be prepared to:
  - Make sure that the Borough continues to positively plan for its future;
  - Have an up-to-date Local Plan that is in compliance with the National Planning Policy Framework;
  - Provide a policy framework so that decisions regarding new development can continue to be taken locally;
  - Address the need for development in the Borough for the plan period;

## The proposed solution

6. Local Plans remain at the core of the Governments planning system. Local Plans:
  - Provide a measure of certainty that developers and investors will welcome as an initiative to provide economic stimulus;
  - Provide local communities with a clear picture of what and where development is needed, and an opportunity to engage in formulating decisions;
  - Enable the Council to mediate competing uses of limited land for the long terms benefit of shaping development of the Borough;
  - Are recognised in the Council's Corporate Strategy as being a leading policy framework, important for the future prosperity of the Borough;
  - Are given high priority by Government who accord great importance to authorities developing and maintaining up-to-date Local Plans in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

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<sup>1</sup> More detail about the plan can be found at <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/mineralsandwaste/planning-policy-home.htm>.

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<sup>3</sup> See [www.push.gov.uk](http://www.push.gov.uk) for further details.

7. It is considered a priority for the Council to continue having an up-to-date Local Plan in place to shape future development of the Borough. The key development since the adoption of the Allocations Plan in 2014 is the change in how housing need is calculated. As such, the Havant Borough Local Plan is needed in order to consider which sites should be used to continue positively planning for the future and to meet new development requirements.
8. The Local Plan Housing Statement was adopted by the Council on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016. A great deal of background evidence was prepared to inform the Housing Statement and this will feed into the Havant Borough Local Plan. The Local Plan Housing Statement was subsequently rescinded following the approval of the Pre-Submission Havant Borough Local Plan in January 2019.

## Evidence base

9. The Havant Borough Local Plan should be informed by a clear evidence base. The level of evidence should be proportionate and should be produced efficiently. Evidence base studies are published on the Council's website when complete.
10. The plan will also be informed by Sustainability Appraisal, Habitats Regulations Assessment and Integrated Impact Assessment in line with regulatory requirements. The plan will be iteratively informed by these assessments to create the most sustainable plan.
11. When studies are complete, they will be published on the Local Plan website at [www.havant.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.havant.gov.uk/localplan).
12. A key issue raised during the consultation on the Draft Local Plan Housing Statement was the capacity of the Borough's infrastructure networks. As such, the Council are considering this thoroughly in the development of the Local Plan.

## Consultation and engagement

13. It is vital to engage stakeholders at all levels as much as possible in the Havant Borough Local Plan in line with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement, which is available on the Council's website. The Local Plan Housing Statement was subject to public consultation during its preparation in 2016 and the same has been true of the Havant Borough Local Plan.
14. Engagement has not been limited to the formal consultation periods. Extensive informal engagement with key stakeholders will take place as the evidence base and the plan evolves. This has included Master Planning Design Workshops for the Southleigh strategic site. The preferred masterplan has informed the Local Plan.
15. The next stage in the plan's preparation is for it to be submitted to the Secretary of State. They will then hold an independent Examination of the Plan to make sure that it is sound and legally compliant. During the Examination, there will likely be further opportunities for engagement including the submission of written statements and/or appearing at hearing sessions and debating the issues which the plan raises directly with the Inspector, the Council and other parties.

The proposed timetable aims to achieve adoption of the Local Plan by the end of 2021. A more detailed plan production timetable is set out below. Opportunities for formal consultation and engagement are marked by a star. The formal consultation period would not take place across the entire period highlighted but would be within that period.

- |  | 2017 |    |    |    | 2018 |    |    |    | 2019 |    |    |    | 2020 |    |    |    | 2021 |    |    |    |
|--|------|----|----|----|------|----|----|----|------|----|----|----|------|----|----|----|------|----|----|----|
|  | Q1   | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1   | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1   | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1   | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1   | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| <b>Evidence base</b>                                       |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Development of evidence base                               | ■    |    |    |    | ■    |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| MDC sessions for the Denvilles-Emsworth site               | ★    |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| <b>Draft Havant Borough Local Plan 2036</b>                |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Preparation of draft Local Plan                            | ■    |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Consultation on the Draft Local Plan                       |      |    |    | ★  |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Consideration of the consultation comments                 |      |    |    | ■  |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| <b>Pre-submission Havant Borough Local Plan 2036</b>       |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Preparation of the pre-submission Local Plan               |      |    |    | ■  |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Pre-submission consultation                                |      |    |    |    |      |    |    | ★  |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Compiling of consultation representations                  |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    | ■    | ■  | ■  |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Preparation and adoption of Statements of Common Ground    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      | ■  | ■  | ■  | ■    |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| <b>Changes to Pre-submission Havant Borough Local Plan</b> |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Consultation on changes (Regulation 19 consultation)       |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    | ★  |      |    |    |    |
| <b>Examination</b>   |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |
| Submission to the Secretary of State                       |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    | ■    |    |    |    |
| Examination  |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      | ★  | ■  |    |
| Receipt of Inspector's report and adoption                 |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    |    |      |    |    | ■  |

# Supplementary planning documents

17. Supplementary Planning Documents provide further useful detail on the policies in the Local Plan for use to help applicants make successful applications or to aid infrastructure delivery, and should not be used to add unnecessarily to the financial burdens on development cost. Detail of the timetable for the master-plan SPD is included in the timetable above.

