

# **Bassetlaw Local Plan**

## **2020-2038**



### **Statement of Consultation**

### **Appendix 2**

## Appendix 2: Representations to Regulation 19 Local Plan

The following Appendix contains the full Representations as submitted to the Bassetlaw Local Plan Regulation 19 consultation. The Representations are set out in Local Plan document order (followed by the evidence base) and each Representation will include the verbatim comment (unless such comments need to be redacted as the Council reserves the right not to publish or take into account any Representations which are openly offensive or defamatory). A Council summary of the comment, followed by a short/initial response from the Council to the Representation is also provided. Please note, a number of the Representations have been submitted with additional supporting information, such as advocacy documents, site technical surveys and assessment work, masterplans etc. These supporting documents will not be included but it should be noted that all the Representations will be available to view via the Council's website. These supporting documents are not included but it should be noted that all the Representations can be viewed in full via the following [web-link](#).

### **1) Introduction**

The Council published the Local Plan Publication Version for consultation on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021, pursuant to Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. The Plan was subject to 7 weeks of consultation. Section 2 of this Appendix clarifies who was consulted and how this was undertaken. 120 respondents made representations including a petition with over 1600 signatories. Following the conclusion of the Regulation 19 consultation, a Regulation 19 Addendum consultation was considered necessary to address evidence changes. A Second Addendum Regulation 19 consultation is considered necessary as a result of one of the two landowners for the Garden Village site unexpectedly withdrawing their site from the plan just prior to submission. Section 3 contains the main issues raised in plan order as well as the response of the Council to each. Section 4 sets out a brief conclusion on the efficacy of the Regulation 19 Consultation process.

### **2) Who was consulted under Regulation 19, under Regulation 19 Addendum, and under Regulation 19 Second Addendum and how that was undertaken?**

In all cases the same approach was followed. Upon publication, a formal notification letter or email, including the statement of representations procedure was sent to around 1,000 persons or organisations on the Council's Local Plan consultation database to invite them to make representations on the Local Plan consultation. The consultation was open to the local community, neighbouring authorities, statutory partners, Parish Councils, Neighbourhood Plan Groups and all stakeholders. It required consultees to comment on legal/technical compliance matters and the tests of 'soundness' in relation to the Publication Version of the Bassetlaw Local Plan 2020-2038, the proposed submission documents and the supporting evidence base underpinning the documents. In 2021 representations were invited on the Draft CIL Charging Schedule. Respondents also had the opportunity to indicate whether they wished to attend the Examination once the Publication Version of the Bassetlaw Local Plan 2020-2038 was submitted to the Secretary of State, as identified by national legislation. A summary of the stakeholders notified of the Regulation 19 Local Plan consultations and invited to make representations is available to view in Schedule 1. This database was per the iterative consultation list, which was used for previous Regulation 18 consultations. A copy of the

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invite to make representations letter is available to view in Schedule 2, along with other examples of Consultation Technique approaches that were used at various stages of Local Plan preparation. Document deposits at 11 libraries across the District were reinstated for easier access to physical copies of the Publication Version of the Local Plan, Draft CIL Charging Schedule and the proposed submission documents. The Council carried on its additional resource service where printed extracts of the Local Plan were provided on request for those who were unable to view documents online or at the deposit locations. For those wishing to find out more about the Regulation 19 consultations, the previously instated local plan phone line was maintained, so that all could engage in a meaningful way. Details of the Regulation 19 consultations were publicised through the statement of representation procedure in local newspapers (Retford Times and Worksop Guardian) and through posts across various Council run social media platforms, including Facebook and Twitter. Additionally, updates were posted through articles, newsletters and posts through the Council's Communications team and website (see Schedule 2 for examples). This provided Bassetlaw residents, employees, visitors and key stakeholders/partner organisations with an opportunity to find out about the Local Plan and its content. This was done to give equal opportunity to all residents, employees, visitors and other key stakeholders to comment on the proposed policies and encourage participation in the planning process. Additionally, the Publication Version of the Bassetlaw Local Plan 2020-2037 consultation was highlighted by Prime Minister Boris Johnson on Prime Minister's Question Time in October 2021.

### **3) Main Issues raised in Plan order including the Council response/action**

**The list of the responses/main issues raised during the Regulation 19 consultations are submitted separately under the reference number SUB007. This is organised by Local Plan Chapter including comments on key evidence where relevant (eg SA/SEA/HRA).**

**4) Conclusion** – *When the Council has met the requirements of Regulation 22(1)(c) (i) to (iv), it will be documented in the main body of the report. The consultations have been conducted in line with the requirements of the Statement of Community Involvement at each stage.*

Schedules have been prepared to support Appendix 2 as follows:

Schedule 1 and 2 been prepared in support of Appendix 2 as follows:

- Schedule 1: Details of the consultation database (individuals, groups, agents etc)
- Schedule 2: Details of the consultation methods undertaken (letters, press releases, etc).