

Local Plan Tracker | Suffolk

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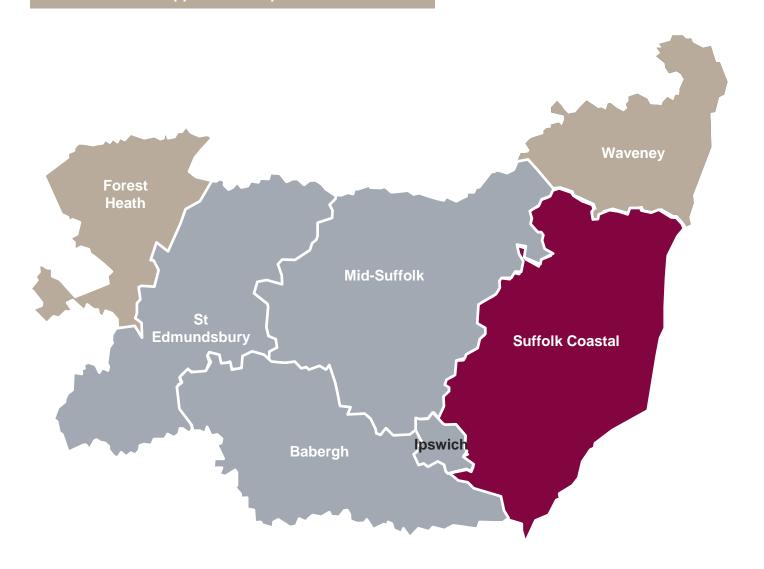
Regulation 18 – Public consultation

Regulation 19 – Publication of submission local plan

Regulation 22 – Submitted to Secretary of state

Regulation 24 – Examination

Approved / adopted





LOCAL AUTHORITY

CURRENT POSITION

West Suffolk (Forest Heath and St. Edmundsbury)

- St. Edmundsbury Borough and Forest Heath District merged to form 'West Suffolk Council' as of 1 April 2019.
- A Local Plan is being prepared for West Suffolk. At the same time, the Forest Heath Local Plan is being progressed: comprised the Single Issue Review (SIR) of Core Strategy Policy CS7 Overall Housing Provision and Distribution; and the Site Allocations Document, were submitted to the Secretary of State for examination on the 24 March 2017
- Concerns were raised in respect of the Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) of the Local Plan, and the Inspector wrote to the Council in December 2018 requesting a response to issues raised.
- Further consultation on the SIR and Site Allocations Local Plan (SALP) took place between Thursday 9 May to Friday 21 June 2019. On 13 August, the Council received the Inspector's reports on the examination of the SIR and the SALP, confirming both are legally compliant and sound, subject to the recommended main modifications.
- The Local Plan documents, incorporating the main modifications, were approved by full council on 19 September 2019 and have now been formally adopted.
- As West Suffolk, the Council is preparing a new Local Plan.
- Regulation 18 public consultation on the West Suffolk Local Plan is scheduled to begin in January / February 2020 as per the latest Local Development Scheme (June 2019).
 The Council aims for the new Local Plan for West Suffolk to be adopted mid-2023,

Ipswich

- The Ipswich Local Plan was adopted on the 22 February 2017.
- The adopted Local Plan comprises of the Core Strategy, Policies Development Plan Document (DPD) Review, Site Allocations and Policies DPD and the Policies Map.
- Ipswich Borough Council have begun their review of the Adopted Local Plan (2017) to look ahead to 2036.
- The Issues & Options consultation on the Local Plan review took place between August and October 2017.
- Consultation on the Core Strategy and Development Plan Document (Preferred Options)
 ran from 16 January until Wednesday 13 March 2019.
- The Council is preparing the Final Draft Ipswich Local Plan (Pre-Submission), and on 29 October 2019 the Council's Executive resolved to refer this to Full Council for approval. The Full Council meeting scheduled for 13 November 2019 at which the Final Draft Plan was due to be considered was cancelled due to December's General Election. It is now anticipated that it will be considered at Full Council on 22 January 2020. If approved consultation will follow for 6 weeks.

Mid-Suffolk & Babergh

- Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan Preferred Options (Regulation 18) ran for 10 weeks until 30 September 2019.
- The latest adopted Local Development Scheme suggested the Pre-Submission (Regulation 19) Local Plan would be published in spring 2019; there is therefore some considerable slippage in the timetable. There is currently no update as to when the presubmission plan is expected to be published.



East Suffolk (Suffolk Coastal)

- The Proposed Submission Draft Local Plan (Regulation 19 Draft) underwent public consultation from 14 January until Monday 25 February 2019.
- East Suffolk submitted the Suffolk Coastal Local Plan to the Secretary of State for examination on 29 March 2019.
- Hearing sessions took place between 20 August and 20 September 2019, and feedback from the Inspector is currently awaited.
- Allowing for the need for consultation on potential main modifications, adoption is anticipated for spring 2020.

East Suffolk (Waveney)

The Local Plan was adopted on 20 March 2019.

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